



VODACOM TANZANIA PLC

Equity Research Update

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Vodacom Tanzania PLC

Reported momentum, earnings normalisation and
the M-Pesa valuation gap



Executive Investment View

TZS 800

CURRENT PRICE

TZS 1,688

BLENDED FAIR VALUE

111%

IMPLIED UPSIDE
vs current price

TZS 102

FY27E EPS
normalised earnings

40.5%

FY27E M-PESA MIX
of total revenue

1. The revenue base has changed

M-Pesa and data are now the structural engines; voice is no longer the centre of gravity.

2. FY26 earnings were distorted

EBITDA strengthened, but RAN-related accelerated depreciation held back reported EBIT and net income.

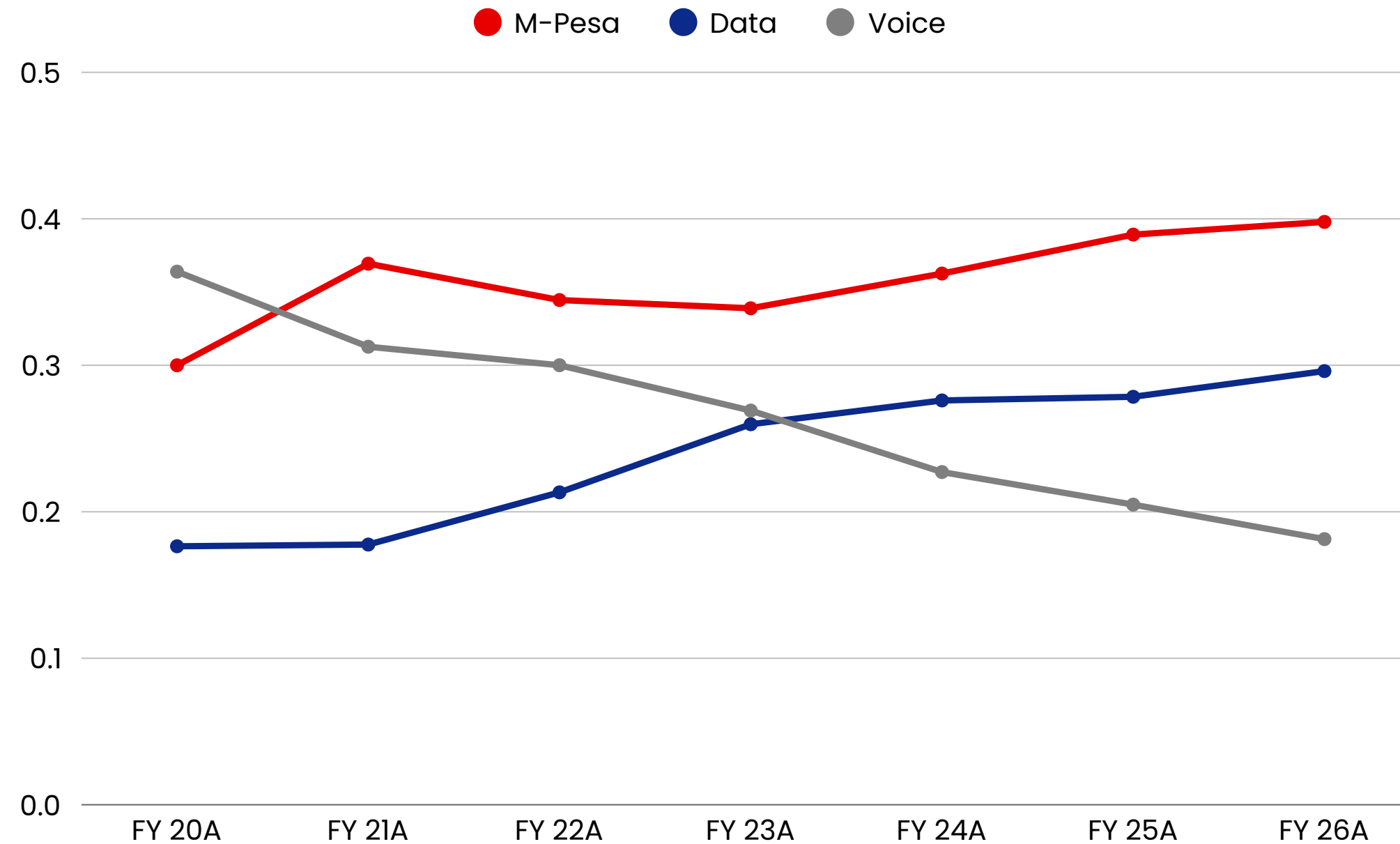
3. Q1 FY27 confirms normalisation

Depreciation declined YoY while EBITDA expanded, creating a cleaner view of earnings power.



Vodacom has already shifted from a voice-led telco to a digital platform

Service revenue mix, historical actuals



M-Pesa becomes the largest service line

Mix increased from 35.0% in FY20A to 39.8% in FY26A.

Data becomes the second engine

Data mix rose from 17.6% to 29.6% over the same period.

Voice keeps shrinking

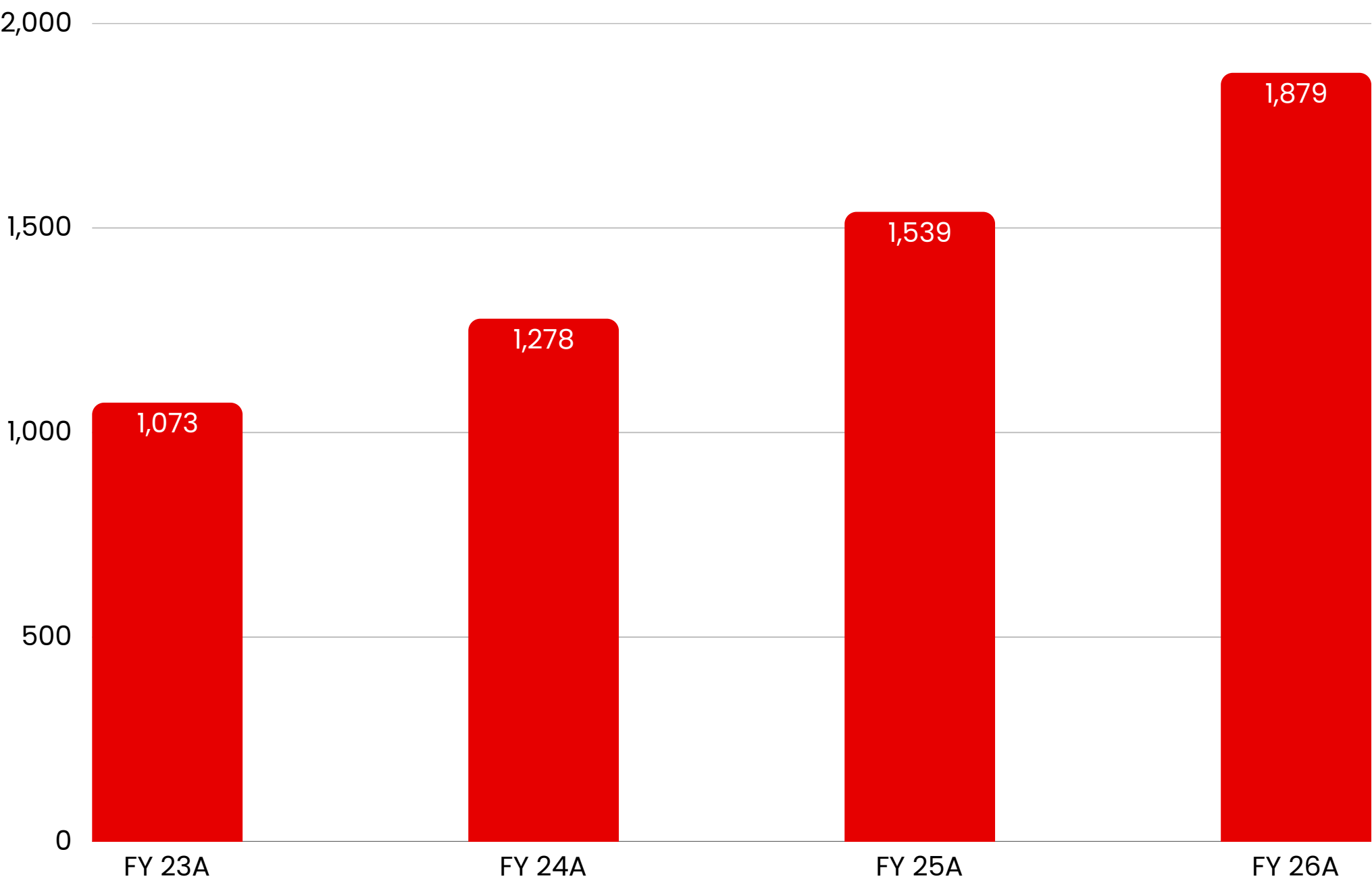
Voice mix declined from 36.4% to 18.1%.

Implication: valuation should reflect a mix of mature connectivity and faster-growth financial-services economics.



Revenue re-accelerated before the FY27 forecast begins

Historical actuals + Q1 FY27 current trading



TZS 515bn

Q1 FY27 REVENUE
18.2% YoY

TZS 511bn

Q1 FY27 SERVICE REVENUE
21.7% YoY

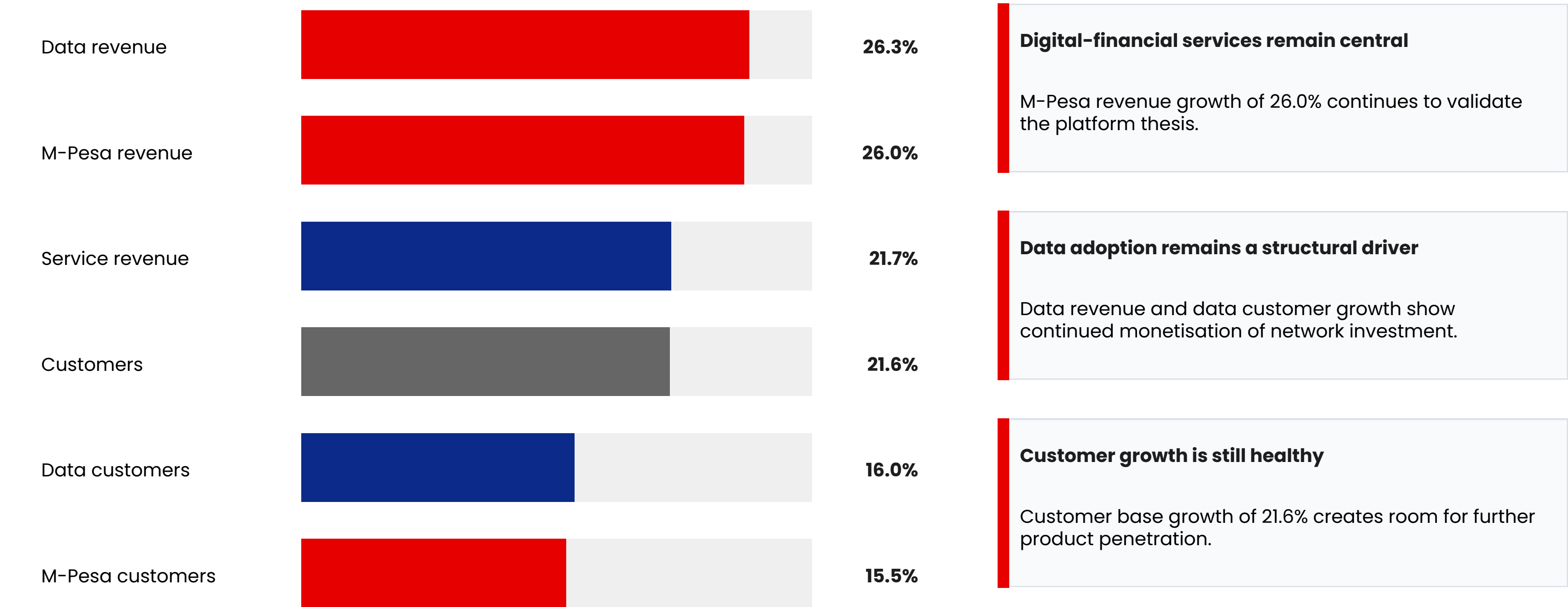
Reported growth is broadening

The latest quarter supports a revenue-growth story driven by service revenue, not by non-service noise.



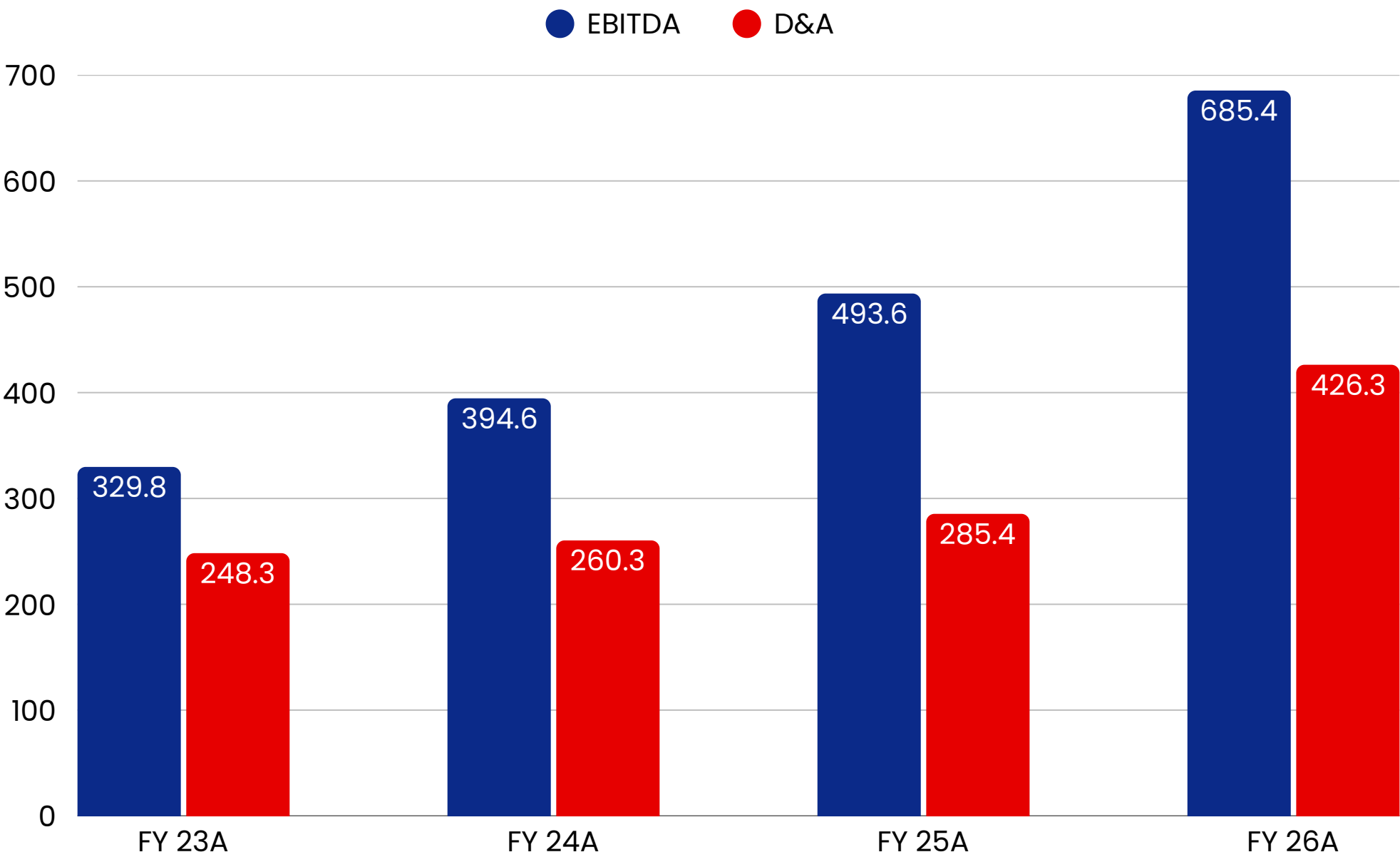
M-Pesa and data are doing the heavy lifting in current trading

Q1 FY27 year-on-year growth



FY26 EBITDA strength was masked by a temporary depreciation spike

Historical actuals, TZS bn



38.9%

FY26 EBITDA GROWTH

49.4%

FY26 D&A GROWTH

depreciation spike

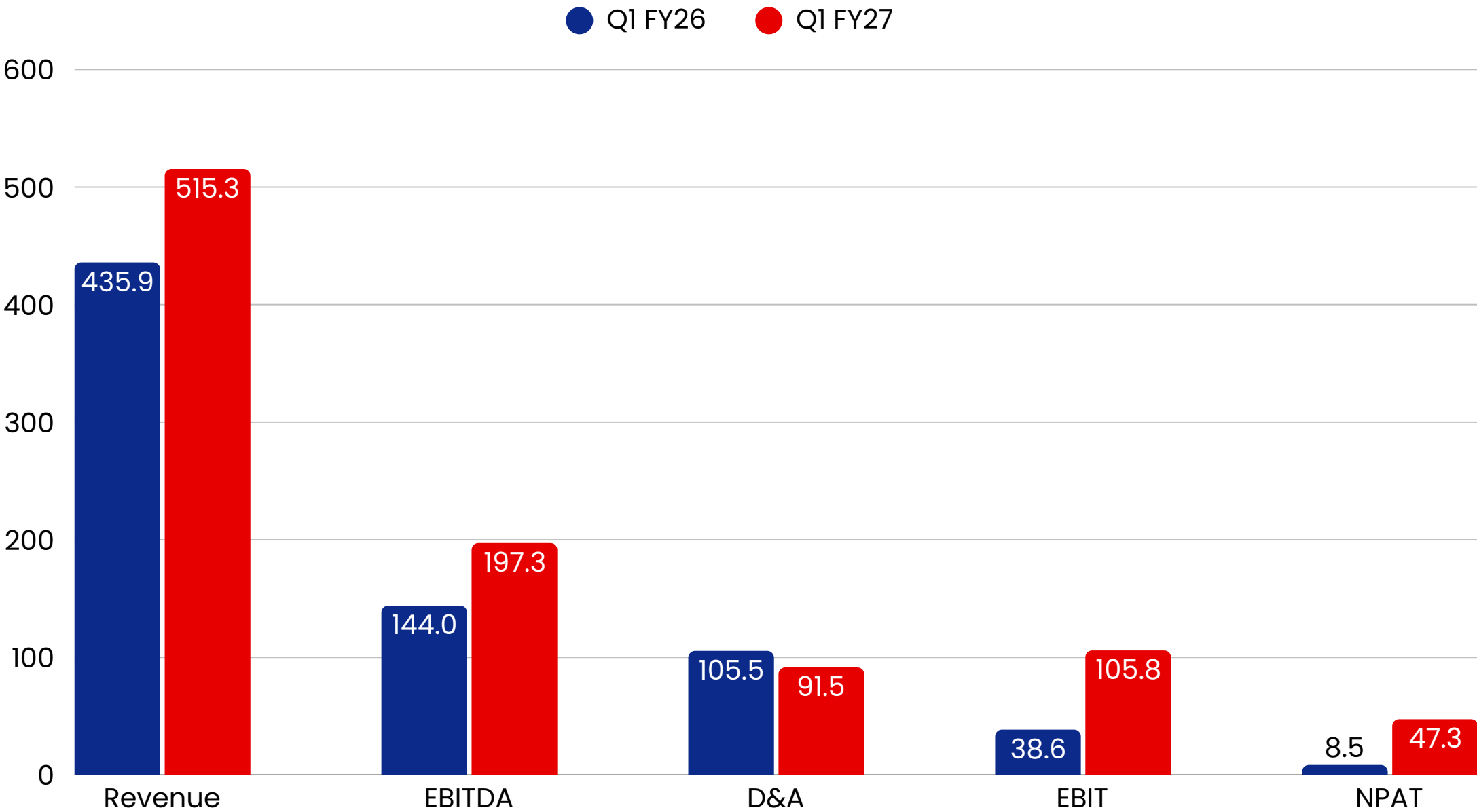
Why it matters

Reported EBIT under-reflects underlying operating momentum because legacy RAN assets were being retired faster.



Q1 FY27 provides the first clear evidence of earnings normalisation

Quarter ended 30 June 2026 vs prior-year quarter, TZS bn



-13.3%

D&A CHANGE

YoY decline

174.4%

EBIT CHANGE

normalisation + growth

Key signal

D&A fell even while capex nearly doubled, supporting the view that accelerated legacy depreciation is rolling off.

Earnings are recovering ahead of cash conversion

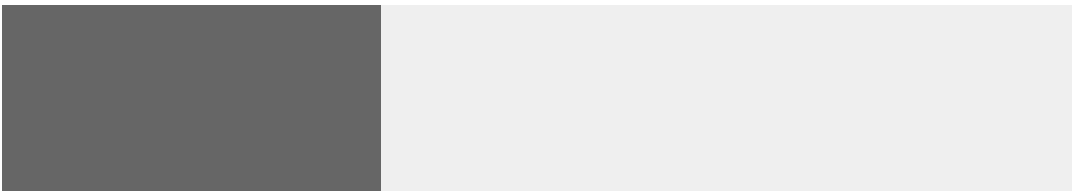
Q1 FY27 cash and financing burden

Capex



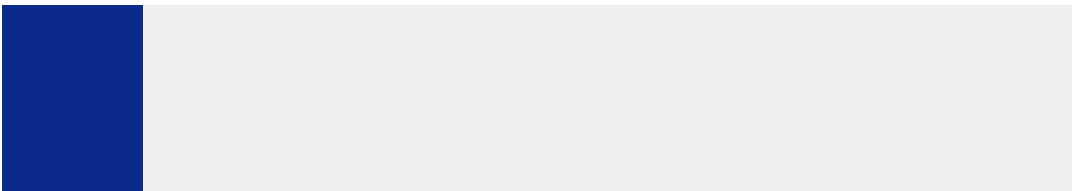
123bn

Finance costs



49bn

Operating FCF



18bn

The timing mismatch is important

FY27 earnings can improve materially while free cash flow remains pressured by capex and lease/finance costs.

Valuation implication

DCF is below SOTP because near-term cash conversion is still constrained.

94.6%

TZS 18bn

CAPEX YOY

Q1 FY27

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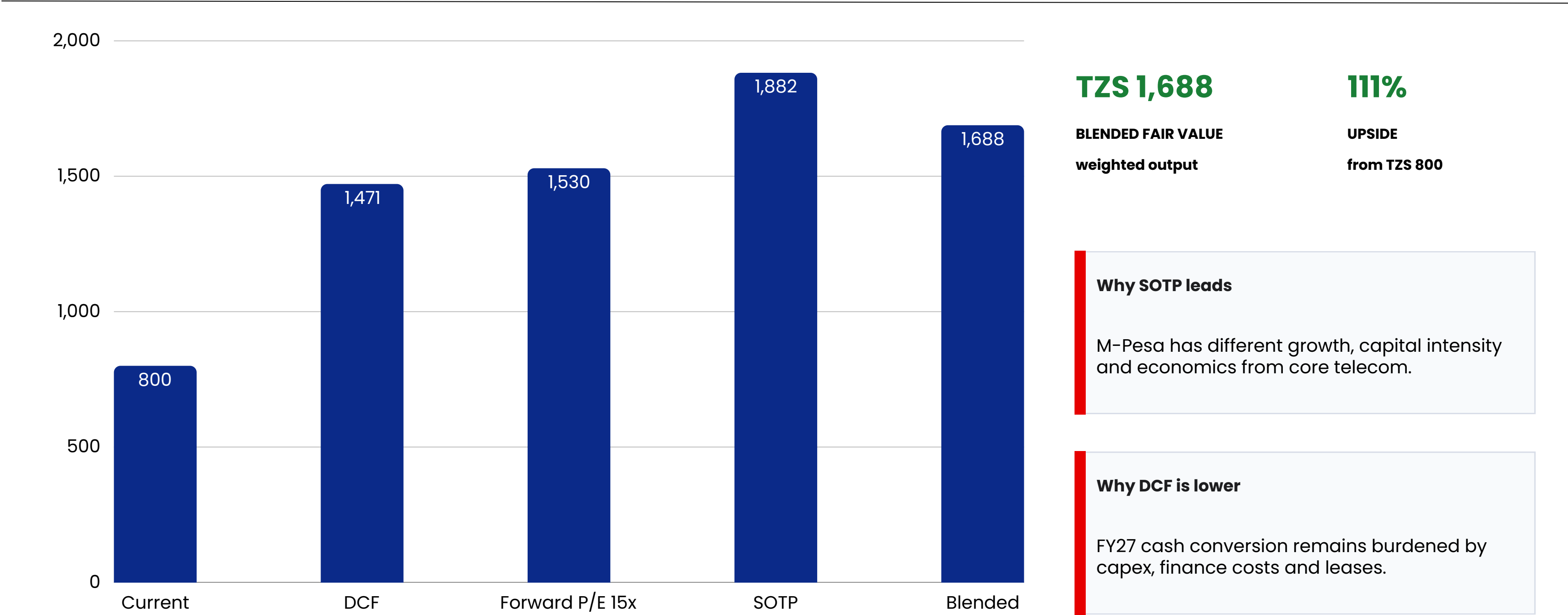
positive but thin

cash flow consideration

cash conversion may improve after capex begins to normalise.

Valuation

Fair value / share, TZS



The M-Pesa value pool is material enough to warrant separate treatment

Base-case SOTP, FY27E

Enterprise value split



M-Pesa revenue share

M-Pesa is modelled at 40.5% of FY27E revenue, not a small optionality line.

4.5x

CORE TELECOM MULTIPLE

EV/EBITDA

3.0x

M-PESA MULTIPLE

EV/Revenue

TZS 1,882

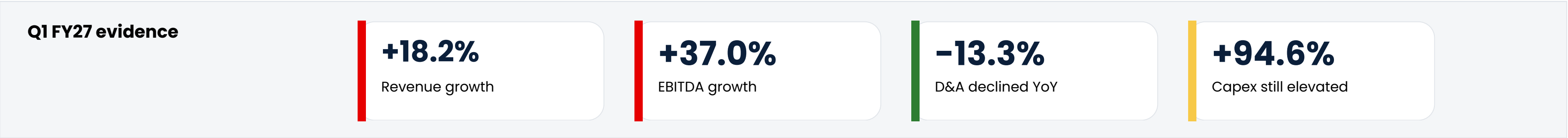
BASE SOTP VALUE

per share

Key sensitivity

Bear/base/bull SOTP range: TZS 1,319–2,445 per share.

The investment case is already supported by Q1 FY27 operating momentum; the main risk is that capex and finance costs delay free-cash-flow recovery.



Base-case outlook		
Growth	Data and M-Pesa continue to carry service-revenue momentum; FY27E revenue growth remains near 20%.	
Earnings	D&A normalises from the FY26 RAN spike, allowing EBIT and EPS to recover faster than EBITDA.	
Cash flow	Capex remains high in FY27E; FCF recovery becomes clearer only once network investment normalises.	

Priority risk	
Capex duration	Modernisation takes longer; FCF recovery delayed
Finance burden	Lease / interest costs absorb EBIT improvement

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