# 1Q 2024 Earnings Results

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## **REVENUE**

1024 Revenue

KRW 665.9<sub>bn</sub>

A new record high quarterly revenue driven by growth of PUBG PC, Mobile, and Console

# **OPERATING PROFIT**

KRW 310.5<sub>bn</sub>

Operating profit rose 89% QoQ and 10% YoY bolstered by solid revenue growth and stable cost expenses

1Q24 Operating Profit

## INVESTMENT

Game Studio Investments to be completed in 1H24

Discovering unearthed creatives around the world and accelerating early-stage studio investments

1Q24 Results at a Glance

## **PUBG IP Franchise**

Strengthen Presence as a Global IP Contributed by Healthy Traffic of PUBG PC and Mobile

# BATTLEGROUNDS



## BATTLEGROUNDS MOBILE INDIA





Rondo Features, 7th Anniversary Updates



6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Theme Mode, Home System



Indian Holiday Content, Bollywood Marketing





Progressive Weapon Skin Seasonal Event



Bentley Collaboration Skins



UniPin Web Payment Service and Promotions

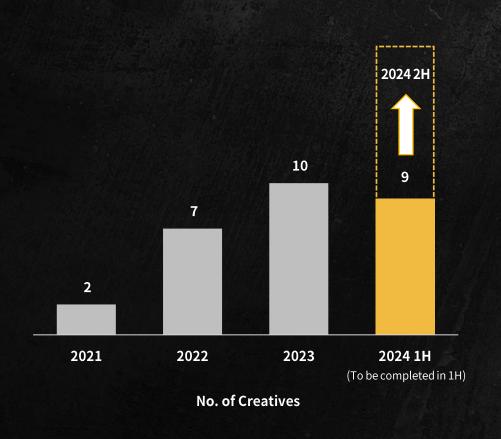
## Dark and Darker Mobile

**Preparing Global Launch through Tests in Korea followed by Expanded Marketing** 



# **Equity Investment & 2PP**

## Accelerating Equity Investments and 2<sup>nd</sup> Party Publishing for More and Faster Attempts





Continued Expansion of Mid-to-Long Term Pipeline Through Securing Global Creatives

## India

## Aiming India's #1 Publisher through Game Publishing and Investments

### **Game Publishing**



#### **Bullet Echo India**

- Top-down BR Shooter
- Pre-registration ('24. 3. 26)
- Launch ('24. 4. 15)



#### CookieRun

- Casual Running Action
- Targeting launch in '24

Discovering Games Fit for Indian Market Planning to Publish 6+ New Games in 2024

**Identify Demand and Growth Potential** 

## **Investments and Strategic Partnerships**



Continue to Invest for New Opportunities and Strategic Synergies Local Game Company Investments for Servicing New Games

**Game Centric Investment to Strengthen Presence in India** 

#### **Indian Game Ecosystem**





KRAFTON INDIA Gaming Incubator (KIGI) Indian Digital Gaming Society

2 Start-ups Selected from 200 Applicants for KIGI ('24. 3) KRAFTON India CEO Appointed Vice President of IDGS ('24. 4)

**Mutual Growth with Indian Gaming Market** 

1) Cumulative investment for 2021~2024 1Q

## Focusing on Game Development Efficiency and Discovering New Gameplay through Al

## **Increasing Efficiency in Development**

#### **Traditional Method**

- Game design by developers
- Build game bots manually
- Script written by authors
- Continuous service cost
- Recordings by voice actors
- Limited voice and emotions
- Risks including Copyright issues
- Unable to use directly in games

#### **KRAFTON**

#### Reinforced Learning

- Bots for QA and game design
- Automated bot generation

### **LLM Agent**

- Generate infinite dialogue
- Less burden to client/GPU

## Text-to -Speech

- TTS with short voice samples
- Acting/emotions for games

#### KRAFTing Assets

- Generation of Assets
- Direct use in games

#### KRAFTing Assets 2D→3D Art Generation Example









## **Discovering New Gameplay**



- Spin-off of Special Project 2 ('23. 6)
- Small & fast projects related to Deep Learning
- Focus on the fun of games and marketability
- 4 projects in development as of 1Q 2024

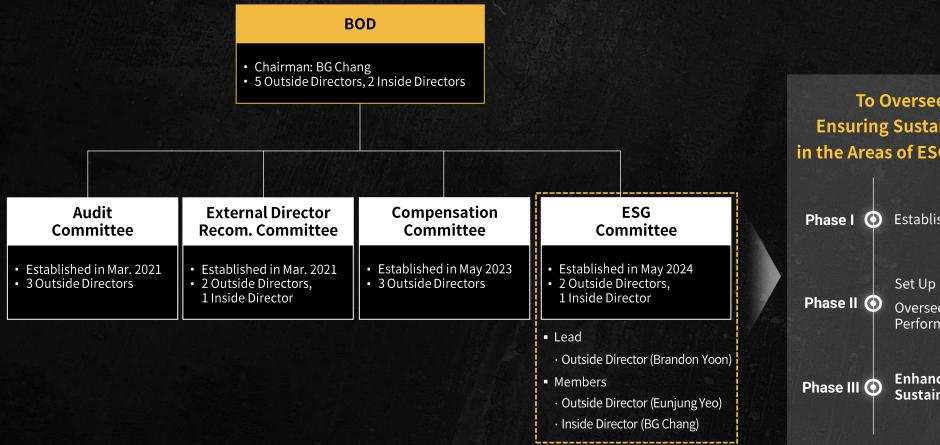


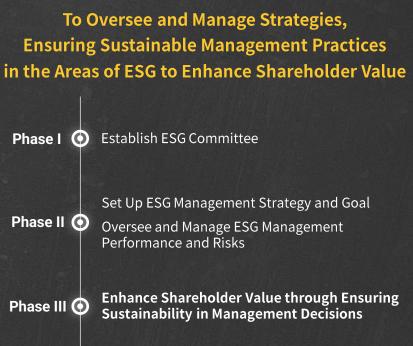
Uncover the Smoking Gun

- Developed by ReLU Games
- Al based chat feature with NPCs using LLM
- Immersive detective adventure game
- Targeting Steam launch in June 2024

# **Establishing ESG Committee**

Laying a Foundation for Sustainable Growth by Ensuring Sustainability in Management Practices





# 1Q24 Financial Performance

# **1Q Earnings Summary**

#### Revenue

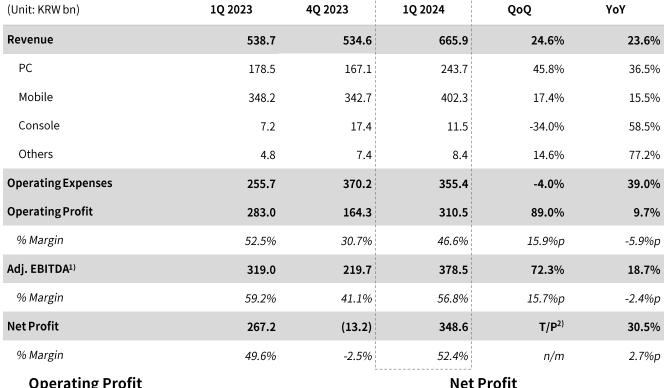
KRW 665.9bn

A quarterly record high revenue on the back of strong PUBG IP presence, rose 24.6% QoQ and 23.6% YoY

#### **Operating Profit** KRW 310.5bn

Rose 89.0% QoQ and 9.7% YoY on solid revenue growth of PUBG IP and stabilized cost trend







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3Q23

131.5

2Q23

164.3

4Q23

(Unit: KRW bn)

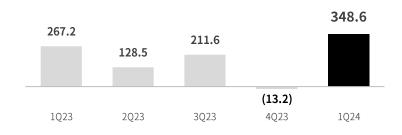
283.0

1Q23

(Unit: KRW bn)

310.5

1Q24



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<sup>1)</sup> Adj. EBITDA = EBITDA + Share-based Payment Expenses 2) T/P: Turned to Profit

## Revenue Breakdown

### Revenue

**PC 1Q24 KRW 243.7bn** (45.8% ↑ QoQ, 36.5% ↑ YoY)

**Mobile 1Q24** KRW **402.3bn** (17.4% ↑ QoQ, 15.5% ↑ YoY)

**Console 1Q24 KRW 11.5bn** (34.0% ↓ QoQ, 58.5% ↑ YoY)

(Unit: KRW bn)	1Q 2023	4Q 2023	1Q 2024	QoQ	YoY
Revenue	538.7	534.6	665.9	24.6%	23.6%
PC	178.5	167.1	243.7	45.8%	36.5%
Mobile	348.2	342.7	402.3	17.4%	15.5%
Console	7.2	17.4	11.5	-34.0%	58.5%
Others	4.8	7.4	8.4	14.6%	77.2%

#### Revenue Breakdown (by Platform) **1Q Revenue Trend PC/Console Revenue Proportion** (Unit: KRW bn) (Unit: KRW bn) (Unit: KRW bn) 38.3% 665.9 665.9 8.5 34.5% 538.7 534.6 538.7 11.5 523.0 521.6 450.3 23.2% 255.2 460.9 17.4 7.9 12.0 387.1 11.5 402.3 16.0% 15.2% 185.7 348.2 342.7 7.2 121.1 309.1 244.9 15.0 83.2 243.7 70.1 11.3 178.5 4.0 243.7 167.1 106.1 121.3 71.9 66.1 1Q24 1Q20 1Q21 1Q22 1Q23 1Q24 1Q20 1Q21 1Q23 1Q23 4Q23 1Q24 Console ■ PC ■ Mobile Others Console

# **Operating Expenses & Profit**

## **Operating Expenses**

**1Q24** KRW 355.4bn (4.0% ↓ QoQ, 39.0% ↑ YoY)

Declined 4.0% QoQ on the back of stabilized cost trend, Increased 39.0% YoY due to rise in platform fees / cost of revenue and share-based payment expenses

## **Operating Profit**

**1Q24** KRW 310.5bn (89.0% ↑ QoQ, 9.7% ↑ YoY)

(Unit: KRW bn)	1Q 2023	4Q 2023	1Q 2024	QoQ	YoY
Operating Expenses	255.7	370.2	355.4	-4.0%	39.0%
Personnel	100.8	120.9	121.4	0.4%	20.4%
Platform fees / Cost of Revenue <sup>1)</sup>	46.7	87.9	85.9	-2.3%	83.8%
Paid Commissions	61.6	61.9	61.3	-1.0%	-0.4%
Marketing	5.1	34.2	12.4	-63.8%	144.1%
Share-based Payment Expenses	10.0	28.3	42.1	48.9%	319.5%
Others	31.4	36.9	32.3	-12.6%	2.6%
Operating Profit	283.0	164.3	310.5	89.0%	9.7%
% margin	52.5%	30.7%	46.6%	15.9%p	-5.9%p
Adj. EBITDA <sup>2)</sup>	319.0	219.7	378.5	72.3%	18.7%
% margin	59.2%	41.1%	56.8%	15.7%p	-2.4%p



<sup>1)</sup> Platform fees / Cost of Revenue consist of Steam, market commissions, etc.
2) Adj. EBITDA = EBITDA + Share-based Payment Expenses

## **Net Profit**

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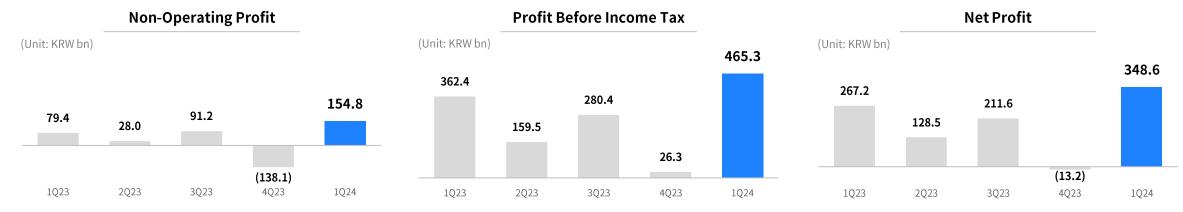
**1Q24** KRW 348.6bn (T/P¹) QoQ, 30.5% ↑ YoY)

Turned to profit QoQ impacted by low based from impairment of intangible assets in 4Q23,

Rose 30.5% YoY on the back of FX-related gains from strong dollar

(Unit: KRW bn)	1Q 2023	4Q 2023	1Q 2024	QoQ	YoY
Non-Operating Profit	79.4	(138.1)	154.8	T/P <sup>1)</sup>	94.9%
Non-Operating Income	141.8	190.6	189.6	-0.5%	33.7%
Other Income	132.0	182.8	180.7	-1.2%	36.9%
Finance Income	9.9	7.8	8.9	15.0%	-9.4%
Non-Operating Expense	62.4	328.6	34.8	-89.4%	-44.2%
Other Expenses	60.5	326.3	32.5	-90.0%	-46.2%
Finance Expenses	1.9	2.4	2.3	-3.0%	18.8%
Profit Before Income Tax	362.4	26.3	465.3	1,670.7%	28.4%
Income Tax	95.2	39.5	116.7	195.3%	22.6%
Net Profit	267.2	(13.2)	348.6	T/P <sup>1)</sup>	30.5%
% margin	49.6%	-2.5%	52.4%	n/m	2.7%p

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# **Summary of Financial Statements**

## **Consolidated Income Statement**

(KRW bn)	2023				2024
(KRW DII)	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q
Revenue	538.7	387.1	450.3	534.6	665.9
Operating Costs	255.7	255.6	261.0	370.2	355.4
Operating Profits	283.0	131.5	189.3	164.3	310.5
EBITDA	308.9	158.7	217.0	191.4	336.4
Adj. EBITDA <sup>1)</sup>	319.0	167.7	197.3	219.7	378.5
Non-Operating Profit	79.4	28.0	91.2	(138.1)	154.8
Other Income	132.0	74.0	94.7	182.8	180.7
Other Expenses	60.5	54.9	9.8	326.3	32.5
FinanceIncome	9.9	11.3	8.6	7.8	8.9
Finance Expenses	1.9	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.3
Profit Before Income Tax	362.4	159.5	280.4	26.3	465.3
Income Tax	95.2	31.0	68.9	39.5	116.7
Profit from Discontinued Operations	-	-	-	-	-
당기순이익	267.2	128.5	211.6	(13.2)	348.6

## **Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

(KRW bn)	FY2023	1Q 2024
Assets		
Current Assets	3,964.4	4,330.8
Cash and Cash Equivalents <sup>1)</sup>	3,061.4	3,365.3
Others	903.0	965.5
Non-current Assets	2,476.0	2,588.5
Property and equipment	257.0	248.7
Intangibles	607.8	628.2
Investment in Associates	571.3	576.1
Others	1,039.9	1,135.5
Total Assets	6,440.5	6,919.2
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	520.7	644.6
Non-current Liabilities	360.9	354.8
Total Liabilities	881.6	999.4
Equity		
Shareholders' equity	5,554.4	5,916.8
Paid-in Capital	4.9	4.9
Capital Surplus	1,472.0	1,471.5
Other Components of Equity	182.5	195.5
Retained Earnings	3,895.0	4,244.9
Non-controlling Interests	4.4	3.0
Total Equity	5,558.8	5,919.8

## **Our Vision**

WHY

We believe games will become the world's most powerful medium.

HOW

Based on our creativity, steadfast dedication toward new challenges and technological development,

WHAT

We will further expand our original IPs and build immersive, virtual worlds, where our fans play together and share fun moments.

We will meet everyone in the world we are building,