# Safaricom PLC

**HY24 INVESTOR PRESENTATION** 







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# BUSINESS OVERVIEW; PURPOSE & STRATEGY

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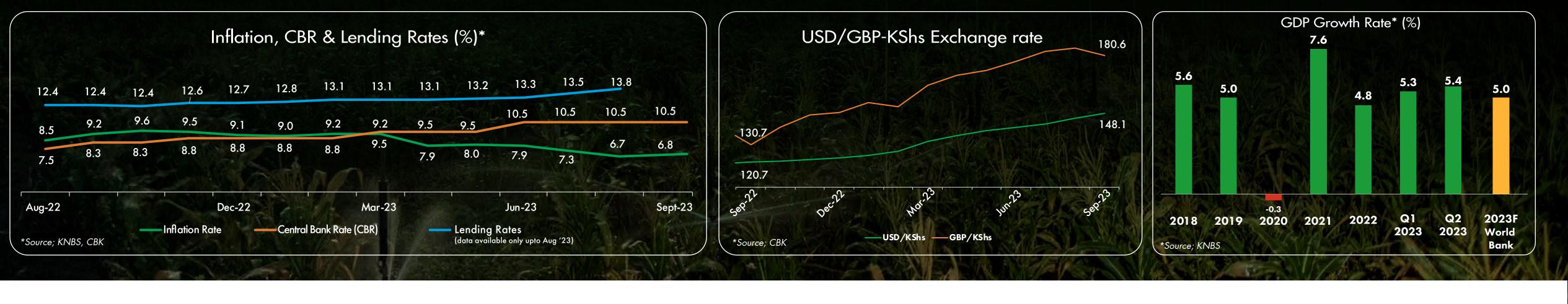






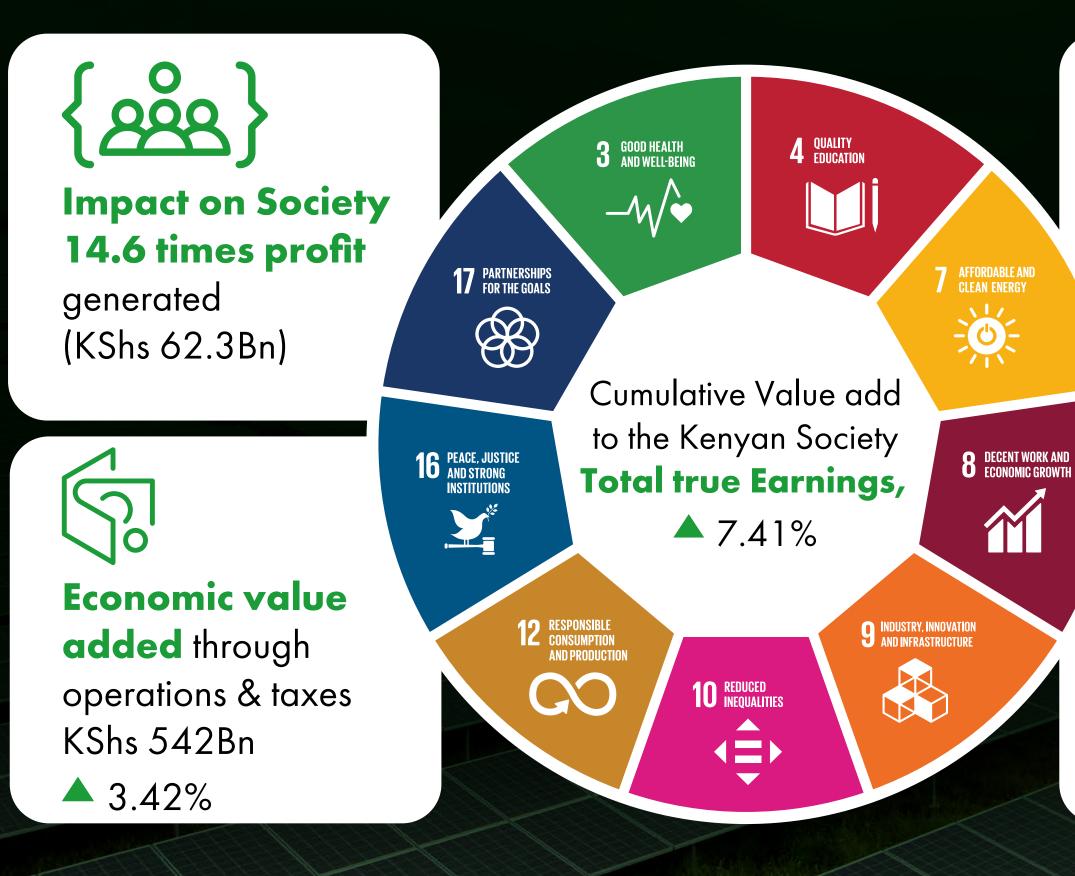
## **OPERATING ENVIRONMENT** | Navigating a Tough Macroeconomic Environment to Deliver Strong Results







#### **OUR PURPOSE** Partnering for Sustainability



True Value Assesment (FY23)

For more details, refer to our 2023 Sustainable Business Report. Link <Sustainability Report 2023>



#### **Environmental externalities**

KShs 1.14Bn

**4**.27%



#### **Social value** added KShs 325Bn, **17.66%**

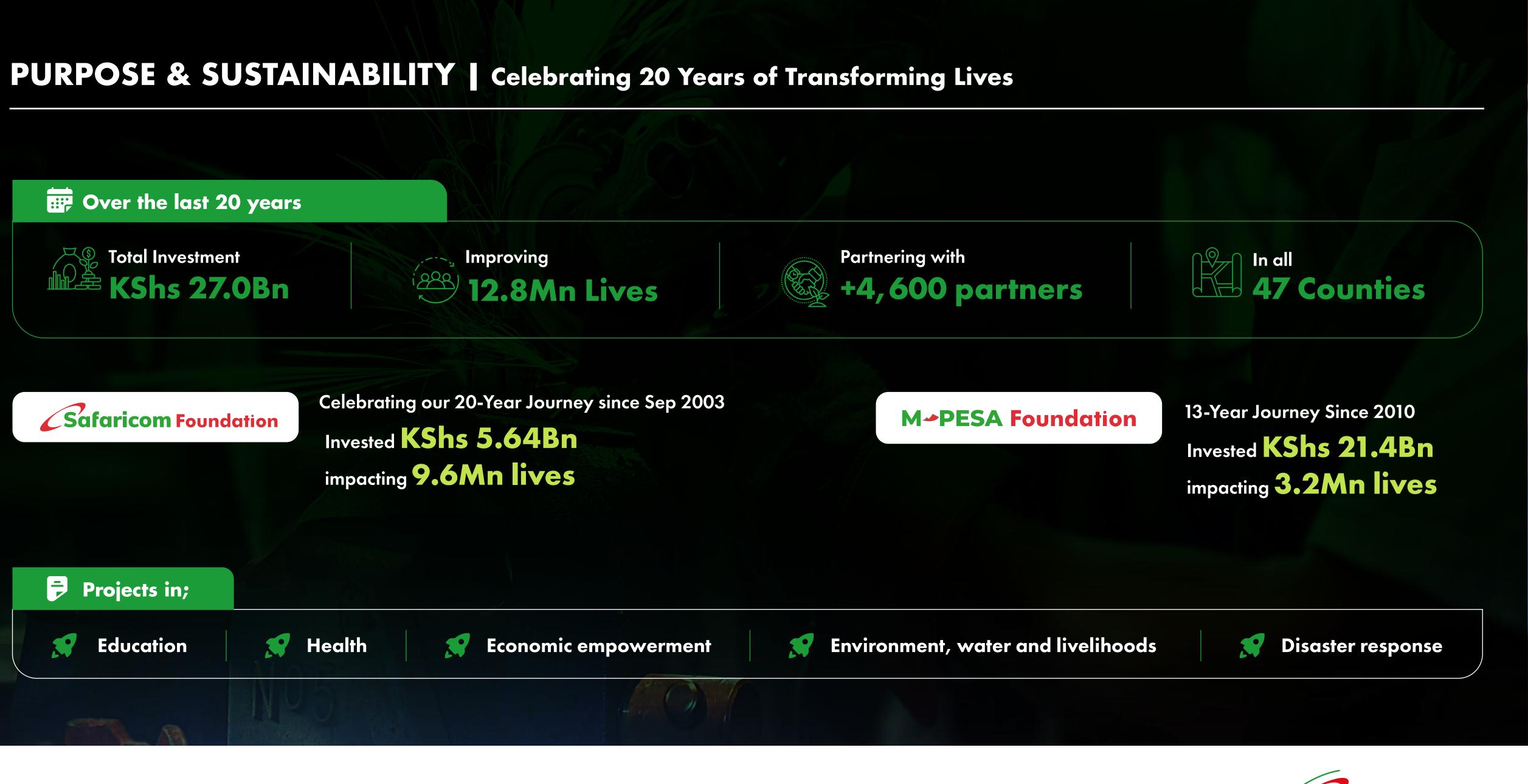


- Obtained a KShs 15 billion Sustainability-Linked Loan to strengthen our ESG agenda.
- UN Global Compact's Forward Faster Initiative



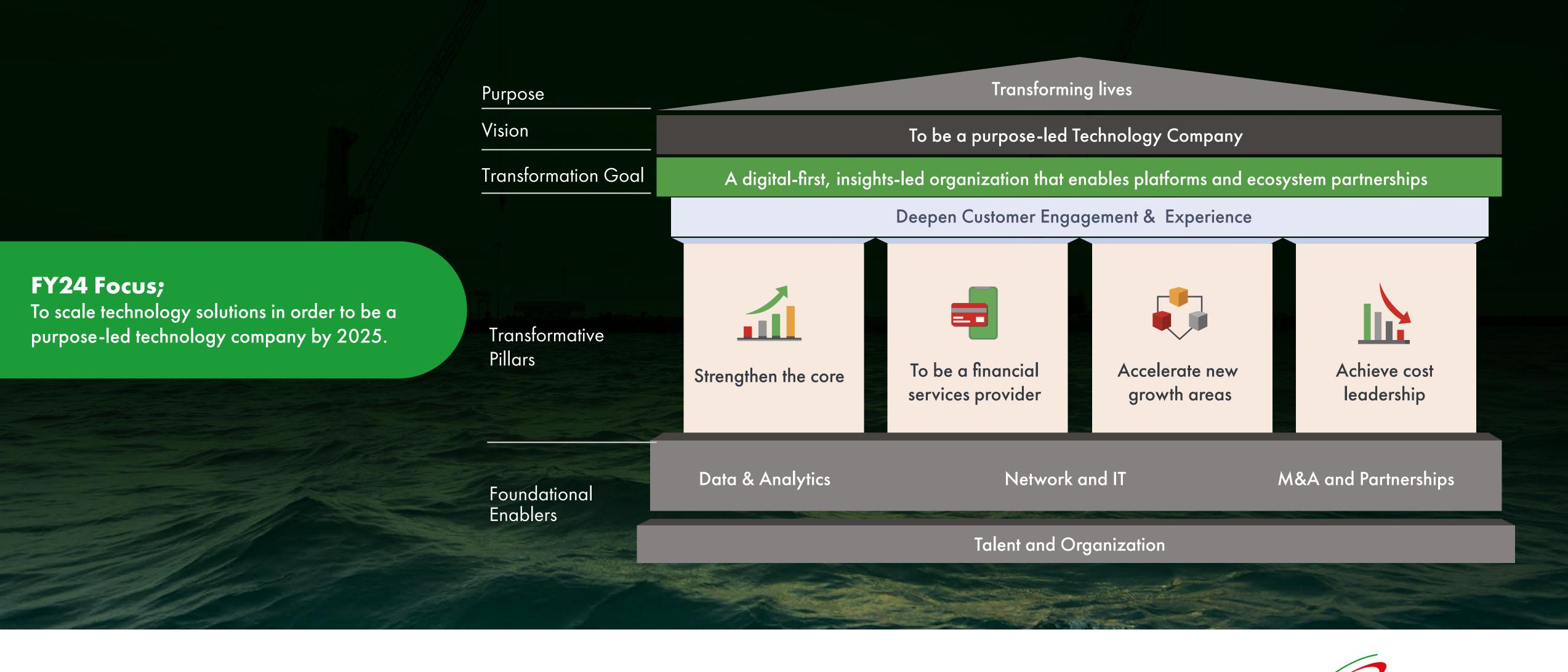








#### **OUR BUSINESS STRATEGY** | A Focus on Scaling Technology Solutions





#### **STRATEGY EXECUTION HIGHLIGHTS** | Delivering on Our Ambitions



**Building a Home of Engineering;** Safaricom Engineering Community Industry Digital Talent Program



#### **Digital Channels**

One-unified portal for our partners; My Safaricom Partner Portal Enhanced IVR, USSD & Zuri Menus





#### **Spark Accelerator**

Partnering with Sumitomo & M-PESA Africa to launch the 'Spark Accelerator' a platform for bold & visionary founders or early stage start-ups to grow and scale their businesses



Launched Youth Platform; Safaricom Hook; focusing on Technology, Career & Culture

Safaricom Ethiopia

Safaricom



#### Accelerating 5G roll out

Currently with over 500k 5G devices on our network



Launched the first-of-its-kind Smartphone Assembly Plant in East Africa- East Africa Device Assembly Kenya (EADAK)





#### DIGITIZING KENYA Launched the First-of-its-Kind Smartphone Assembly Plant in East Africa

#### ΞλΟΛΚ East Africa Device Assembly Kenya (EADAK)

#### Benefits;

POWER MKONON



Employment creation



Affordable Smarphones





Smartphones assembled;

- Neon Smarta
- Neon Ultra

#### Distribution

- Faiba shops
- Masoko

In partnership with a consortium of local Mobile Network Operators (MNOs) and international device manufacturers

#### **Production Capacity**

Capacity to produce up to 3Mn mobile phone units annually.

The Assembly Plant launch officiated by the President of Kenya H.E. Dr. William Samoei Ruto on 30 October 2023



 Safaricom Shops • All Dealer Stores















#### **CONSUMER BUSINESS** Caring for our Customers with Enriched Value Propositions & Experience

#### Enhancing value through;

- Integrated propositions Connectivity & content

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- Personalized offers to our customers
- Enhanced experience through digitized journeys (Apps) & 5G

#### Leveraging on;



Accelerated 4G device penetration through **Device financing programme** 



- Credit Okoa Jahazi and Fuliza
- Strategic partnerships to drive relevance for  $\star$ our customers - Google, Meta, TikTok & ShowMax



Our vast network of customer experience touch points







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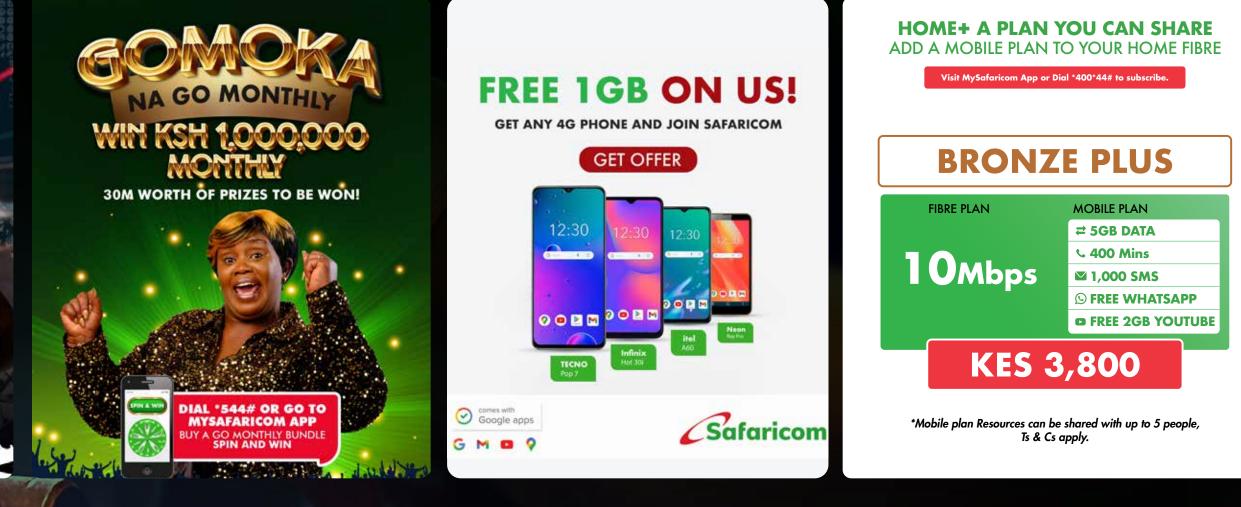
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#### **Demonstrating Value to Our Customers**

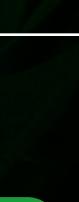


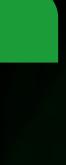


**Providing integrated propositions** to accelerate growth



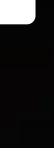












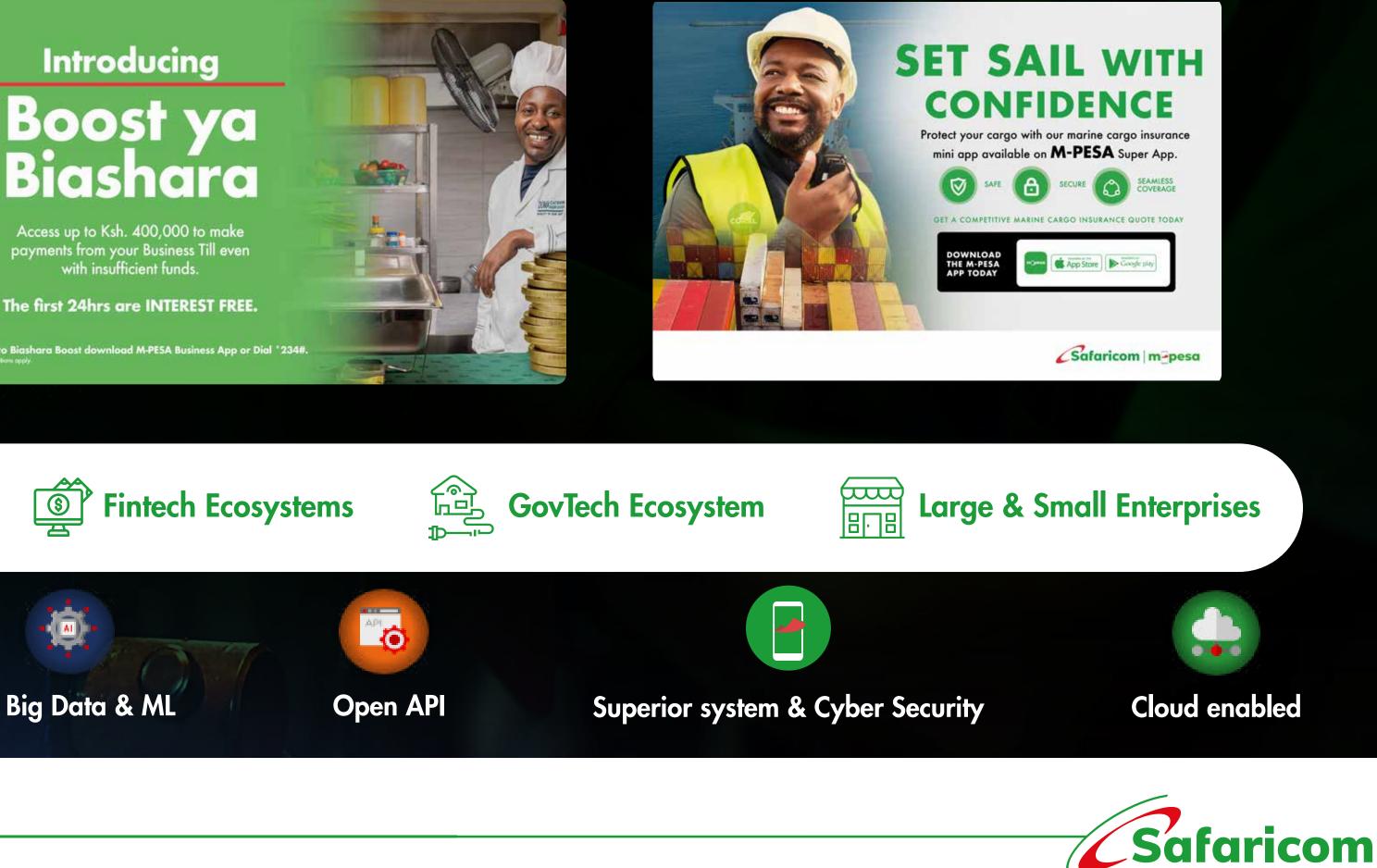


#### FINANCIAL SERVICES Driving Financial Health and Inclusion Through Innovations & Partnerships



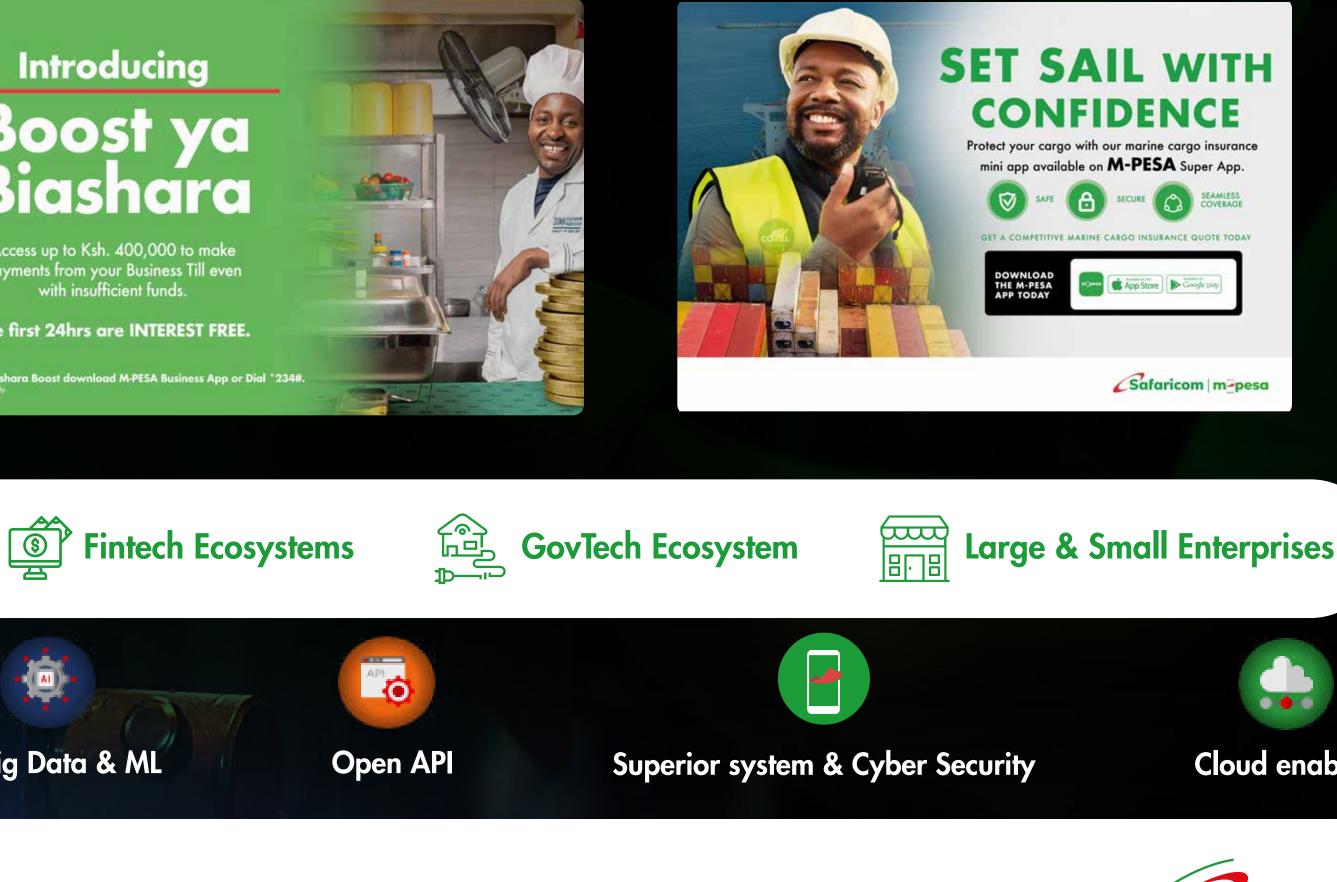








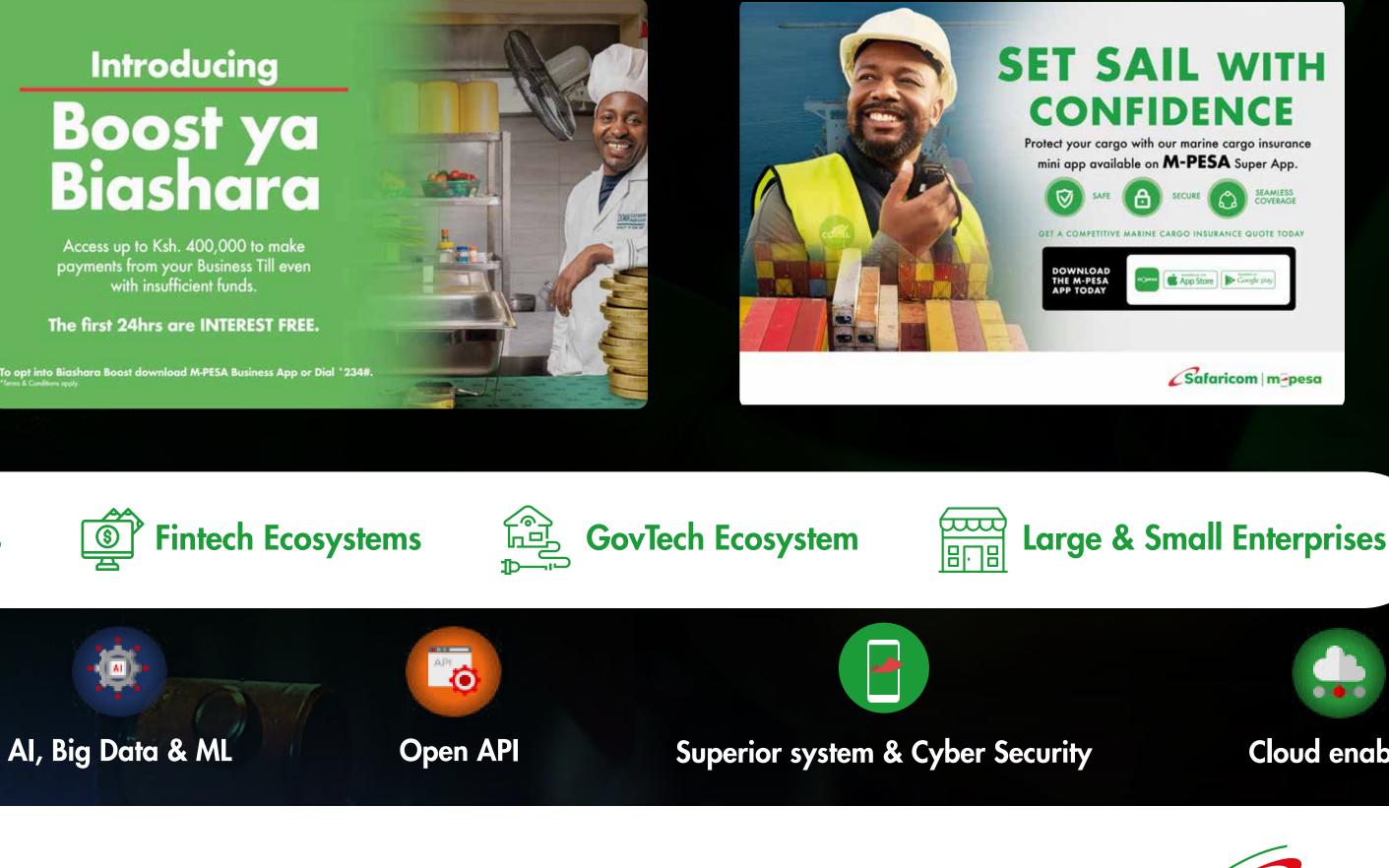
**Financial Institutions** 



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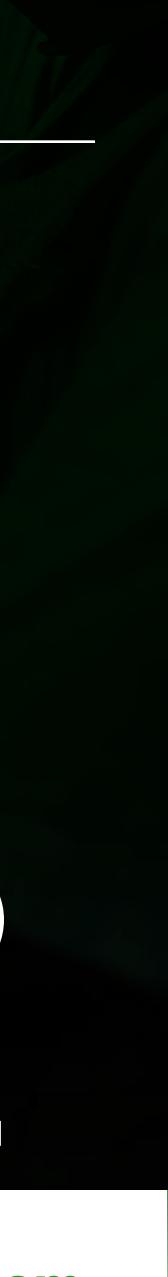


**Next Generation Tech** 











#### **COUNTRY DIGITISATION** Creating a Digital Kenya by Enabling Ease of Access to Services



#### **Hustler Fund**

Individual Credit (Launch: 30 Nov 2022) 17.5Mn Borrowers KShs 36.6Bn Value disbursed\* Av. ticket size KShs 750

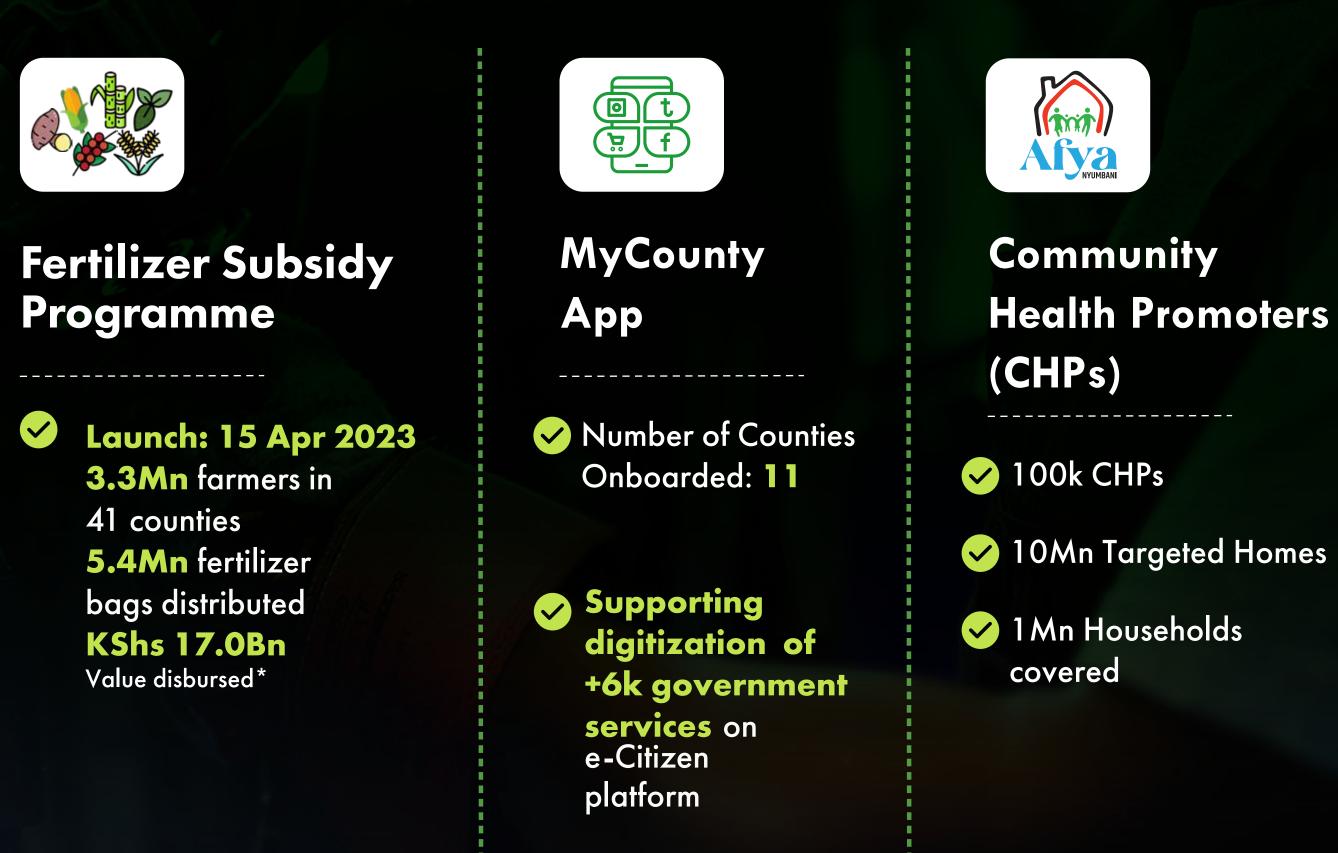
Groups (Launch: 1 Jun 2023) 456k Groups KShs 151Mn Value disbursed\* Av. ticket size KShs 7.4k



#### Women Enterprise Fund

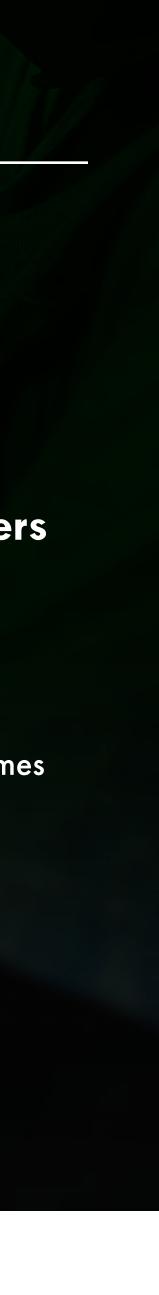
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Launch: 2 Mar 2023  $\checkmark$ 51k Groups **1.4Mn** Members KShs 0.9Bn Value disbursed\*

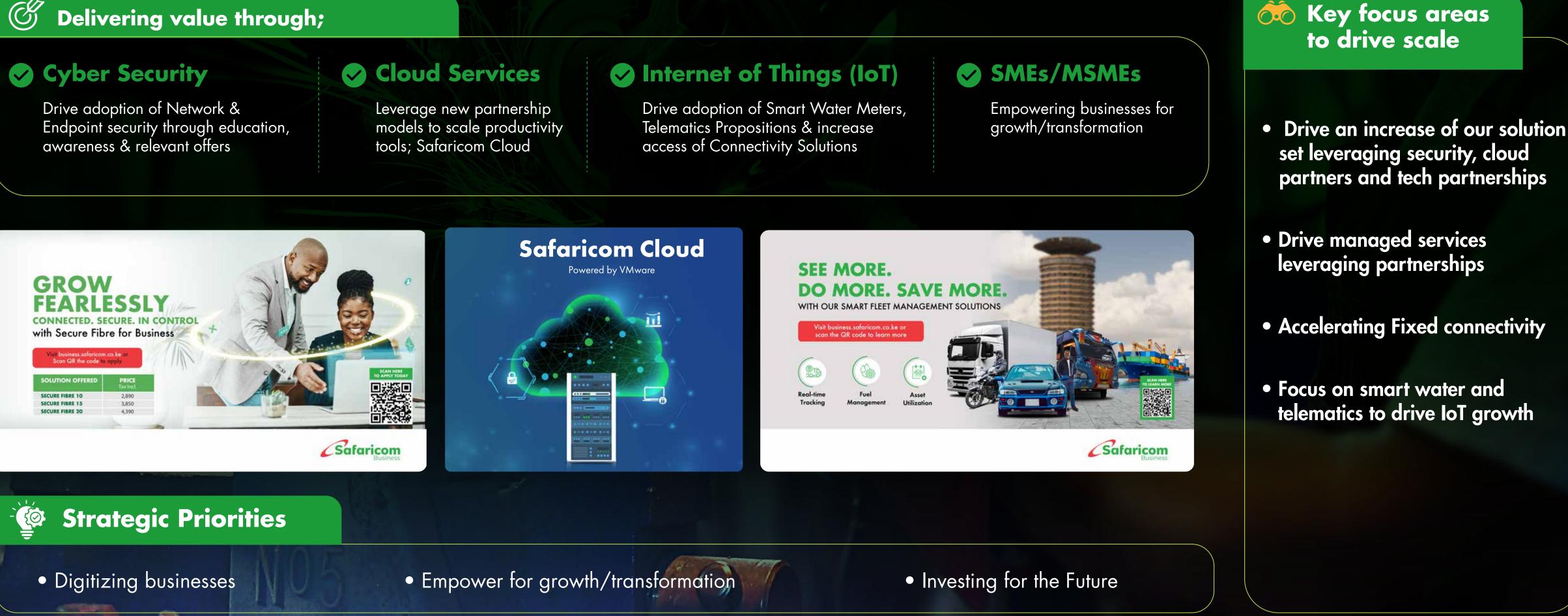








#### **ENTERPRISE BUSINESS** Accelerating Digital Transformation for our Businesses









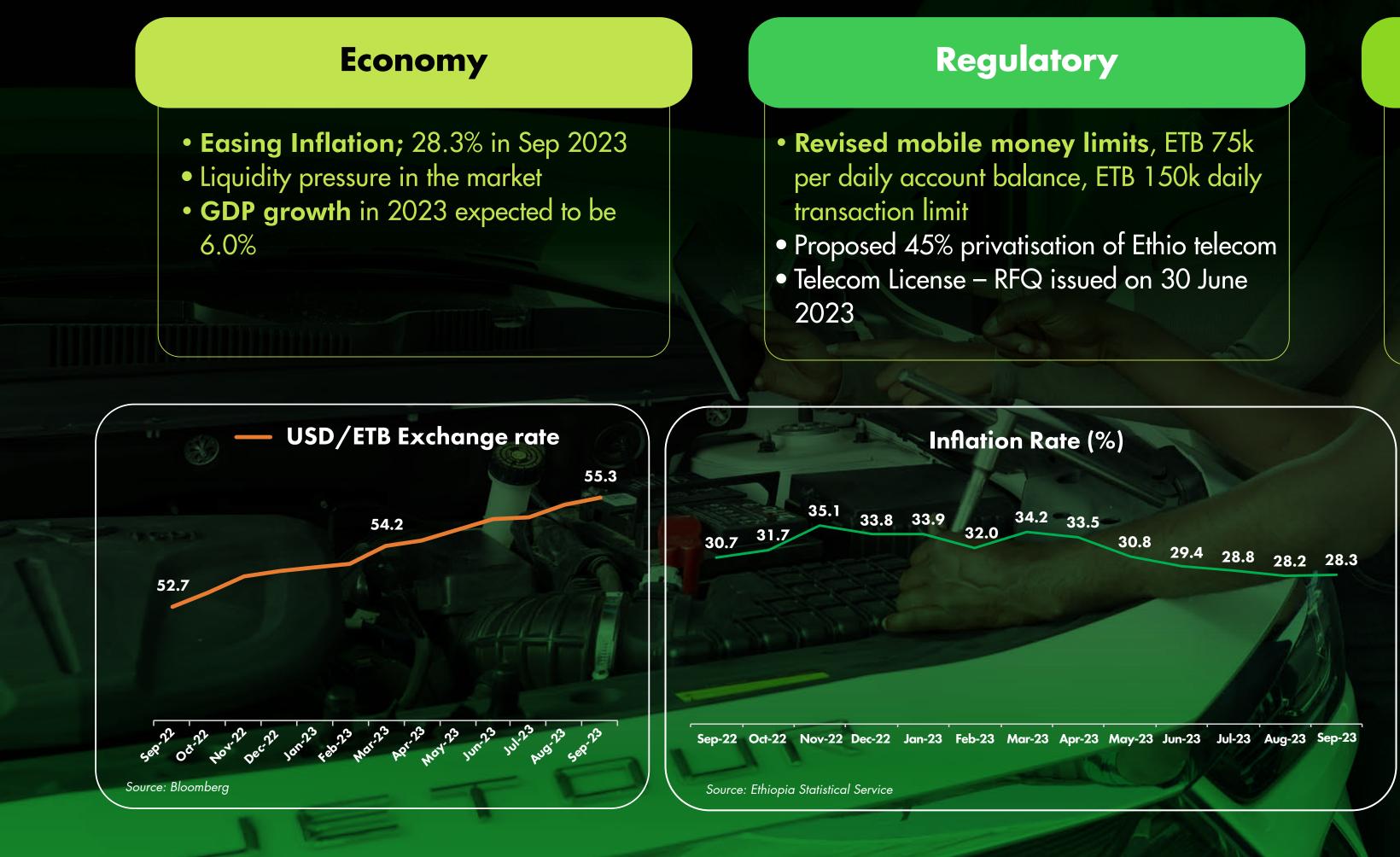
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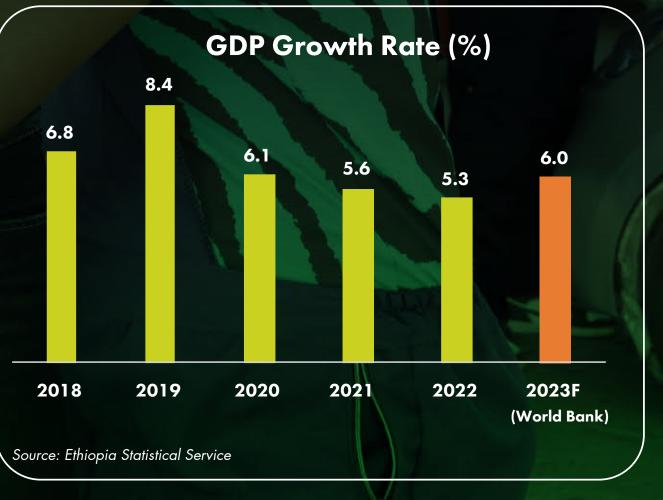
#### **ETHIOPIA** Operating Environment





#### **Political/Security**

- Previous social media blockade lifted in July 2023
- Stable security situation in Tigray
- Amhara under state of emergency









#### **M-PESA IN ETHIOPIA** | Impressive Traction in One Month

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Launched with developer portal for the Fintech Ecosystem

**Customer acquisition &** activity

- 1.2Mn Registered
- 3.0 Txn per customer



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#### **Distribution**

- 22.7k Agents onboarded
- 11.7k Merchants

- Bank to M-PESA 7 Banks
- M-PESA to Bank 9 Banks



#### International Money Remittance (IMT)

- Onboarded 3 IMT Hubs (TerraPay, MFS Africa & Thunes)
- Over 100 sending corridors including the USA
- 10 Money Transfer Operators

#### Use Cases Offered;

- Withdrawals Transfers (registered/unregistered) • Deposits
- M-PESA to Bank & Bank to M-PESA
- Merchant payments (with transacting tills)
- C2B, B2C & B2B\* • International Money Remmittances (Inbound only)

\*C2B- Customer to Business, B2C- Business to Customer & B2B- Business to Business Source; <sup>1</sup>Ethiopia Ministry of Trade and Regional Intergration <sup>2</sup>Full year estimate based on reported figures for Q1 of current fiscal year <sup>3</sup>https://blogs.worldbank.org/africacan/financial-inclusion-in-ethiopia-10-takeaways-from-findex-2017t

Access/seamless registration through the App in 5 languages and USSD **\***733#

• Airtime & Data package purchase

#### **Ripe Market for Mobile Money**

119 Mn Population

Opportunity

63 Mn Ready market (+18yrs)

> 13.5mn (14-18yrs)

22% Urban, 78% Rural

35% Financially Included

38.5% Mobile Penetration

**10K** Large Enterprises<sup>1</sup> 240k SMEs'

USD 5.2bn Annual Inward Remittances<sup>2</sup>



#### ETHIOPIA Performance Highlights Marking One Year Since Launch



**4.3GBs** Data usage

per Subscriber (Sep exit)



7.0Mn **Gross Additions** since launch





**53**k Safaricom Airtime Outlets Sim Selling agents 5.5 < equipped with Biometric **EKYC** equipment 5 **Banks** Selling Airtime digitally





## 1.2 Mn M-PESA Customers

#### Transactions since launch

Value KShs 43.7Bn

Volume **2.0Mn**  

 Period
 M-Pess Agents

 Onboarded
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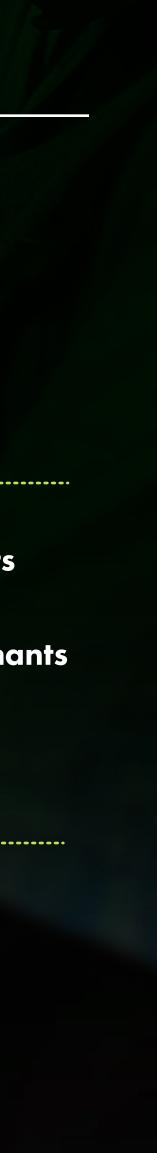
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#### ETHIOPIA Commercial Momentum Supported by a Strong Distribution Network and a Superior Customer Experience

#### **Scaling Distribution**

- **5.5k** Active Commission based customer acquisition agents equipped with biometric registration tools
- **53k** Active physical Points of Sales for Airtime
- 15 Banks integrated- over 20% of our airtime sales are self-served via bank digital channels



#### Winning on Data

- **55%** Smartphone Penetration on 30-day base
- **38%** 4G Devices penetration on 30 Day base
- Accelerated Data Usage growthbenchmarks well with Sub Sahara Africa operations
- Youth Data Focus via 1<sup>st</sup> to market Over the Top (OTT) Social Packs – TikTok, YouTube, Facebook, WhatsApp, Instagram

#### Winning on **Customer Experience**

- Maintained > 90% service evel access at our call centre
- Digital Biometric customer registration <10mins onboarding time
- Over 150 exclusive Safaricom branded distributor shops for customer service, support and sales
- Launched our integrated GSM and M-PESA Digital app for Transacting, Sales and Customer Service



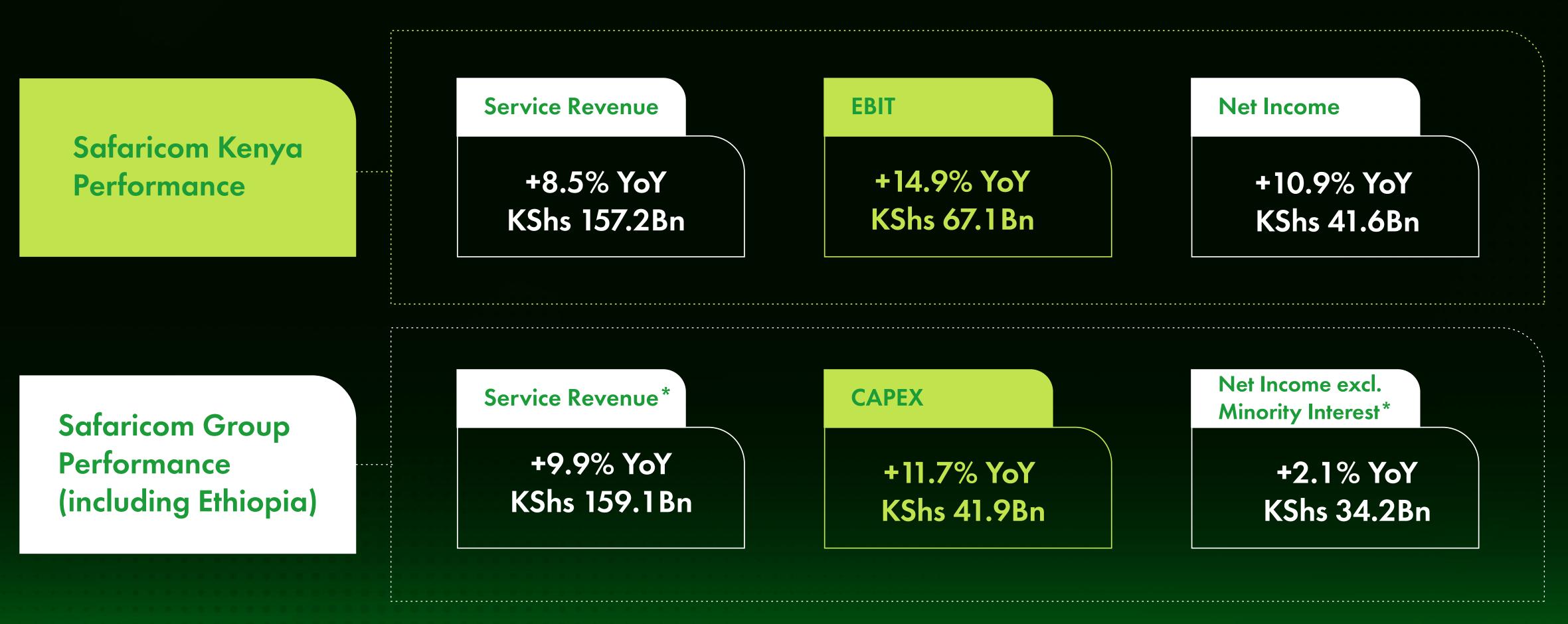


# PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS





#### HY24 PERFORMANCE | Strong Performance Reinforcing Solid Momentum



\*Group numbers are inclusive of hyperinflationary adjustments on Ethiopia numbers except Capex





# FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

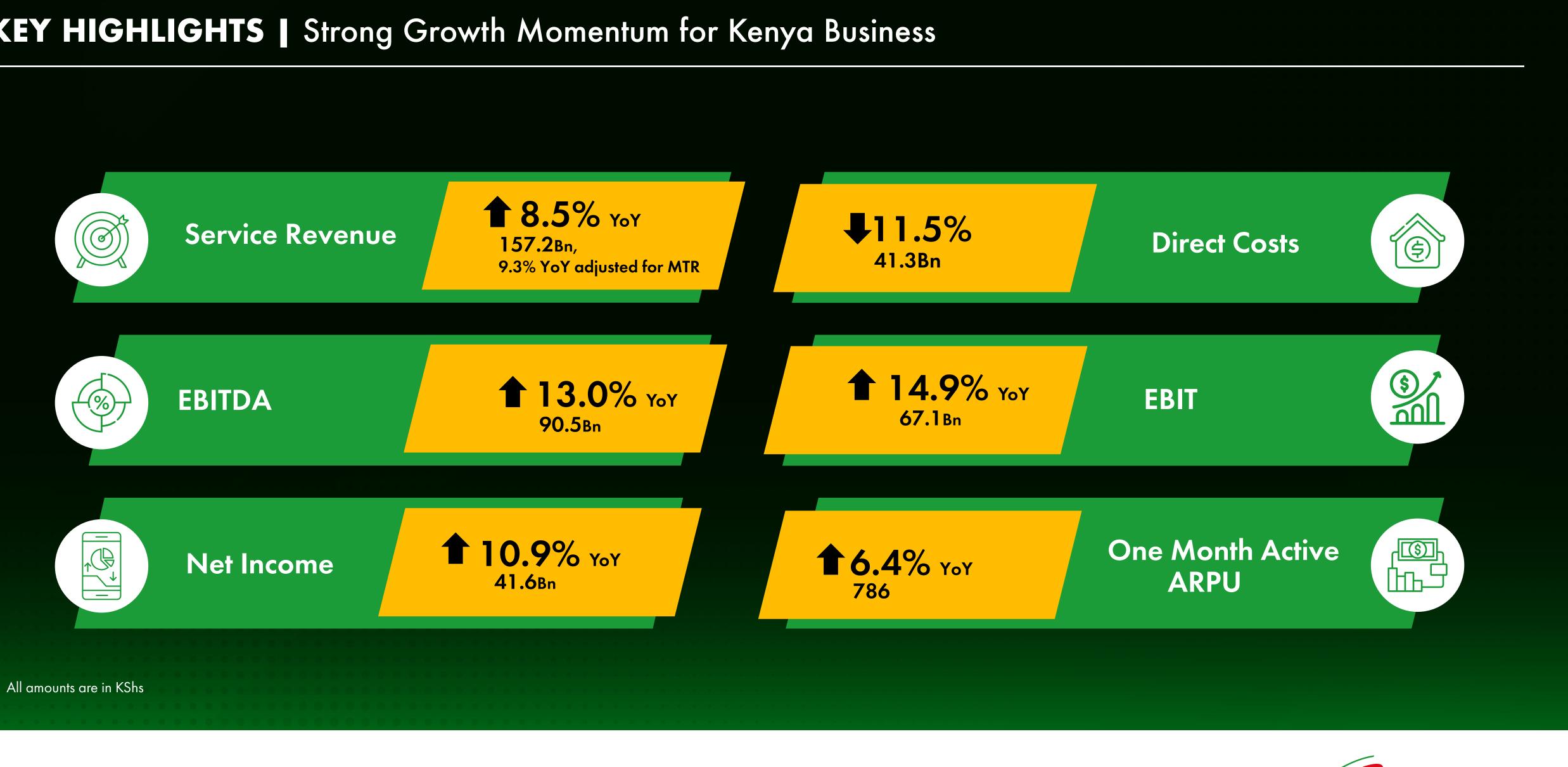
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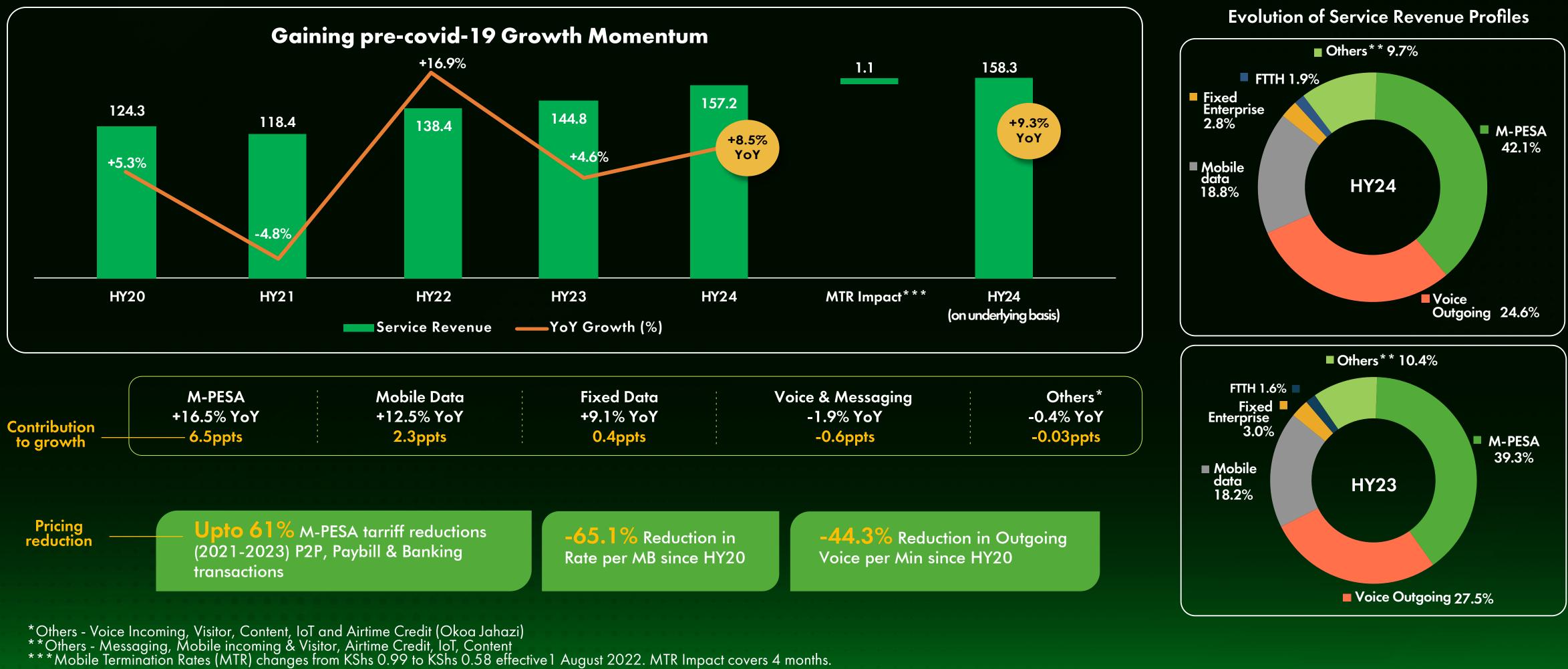


## **KEY HIGHLIGHTS** Strong Growth Momentum for Kenya Business

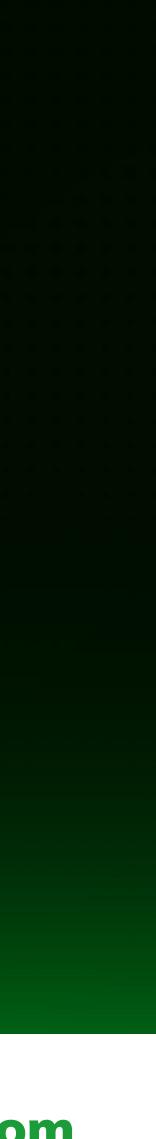




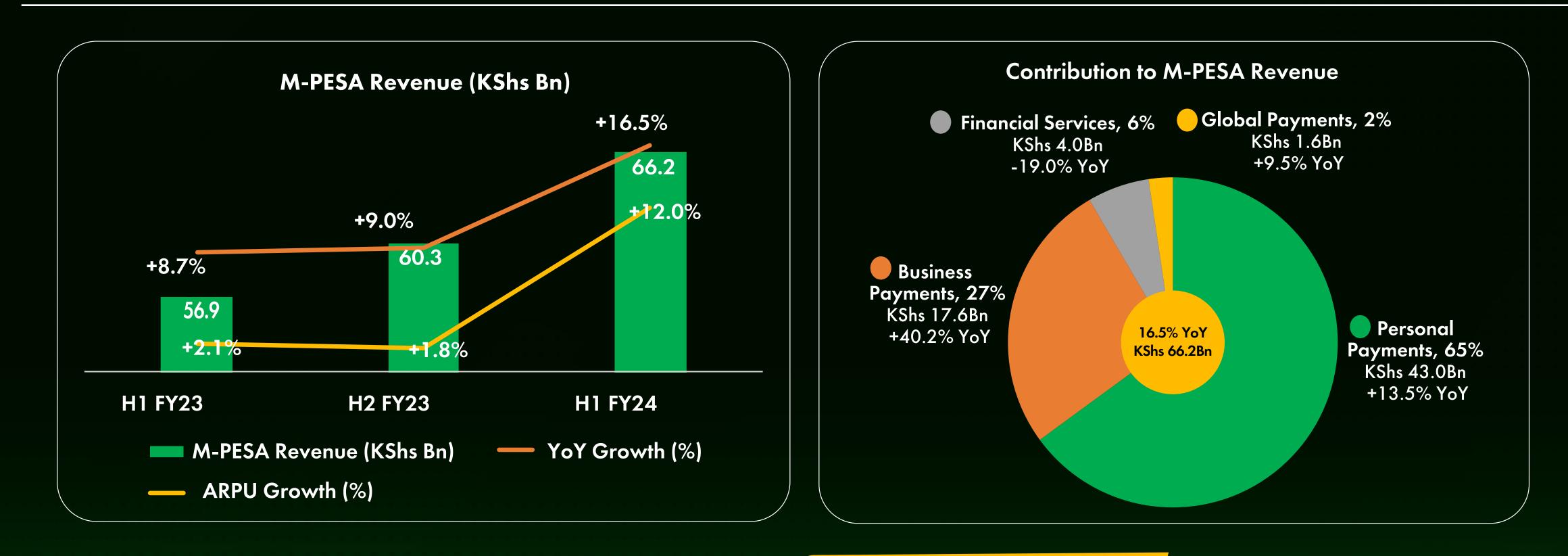
## **SERVICE REVENUE** | Strong Performance Supported by M-PESA and Mobile Data







## M-PESA Great Performance Post Return to Charging



One month active **Customers** +3.1% YoY to 32.13Mn

One month active Lipa Na M-PESA (LNM) tills +22.3% YoY to 658.4k

#### **Deepening Financial Inclusion**

#### Cash to e-Money

- Digitization of remittances
- Customer acquisition and education
- E-value distribution via agents & super agents

#### Payments

- New payment use cases
- Credit as a source of e-value
- Integration to 3rd parties

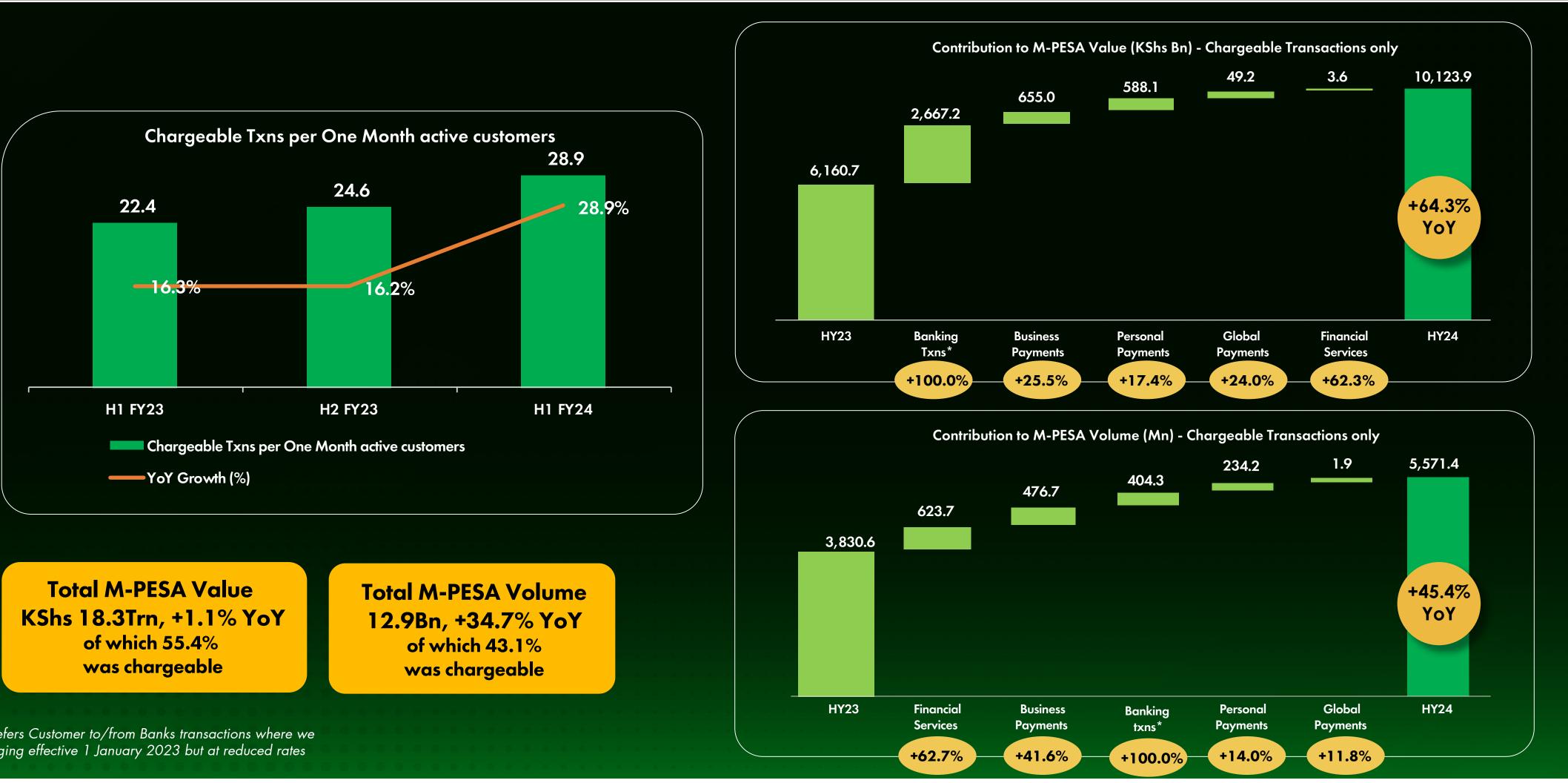
#### Ecosystem Play

- Open platform
- Inverted innovation
- Data, user experience & software



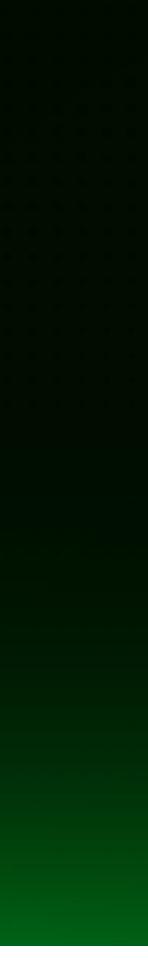


#### **M-PESA** Increased Usage Driving Growth

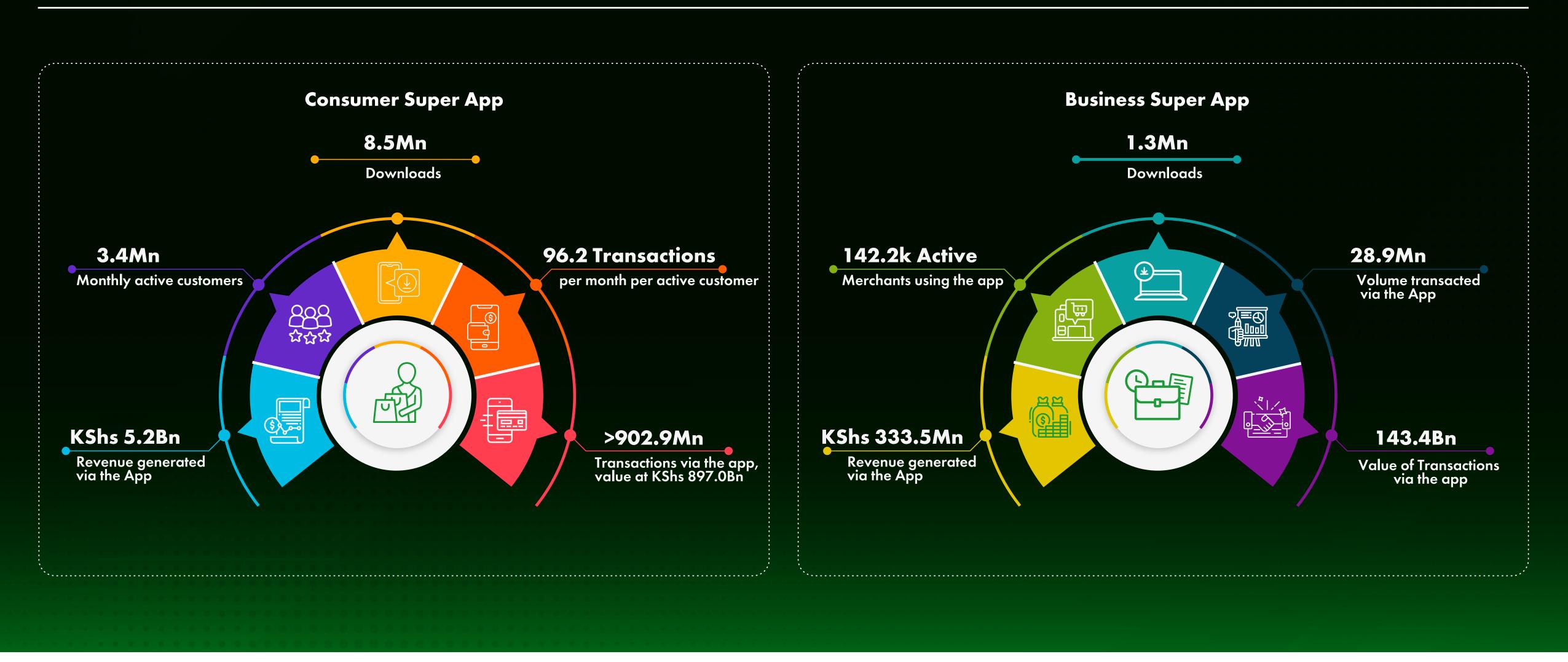


\*Banking txns refers Customer to/from Banks transactions where we resumed charging effective 1 January 2023 but at reduced rates



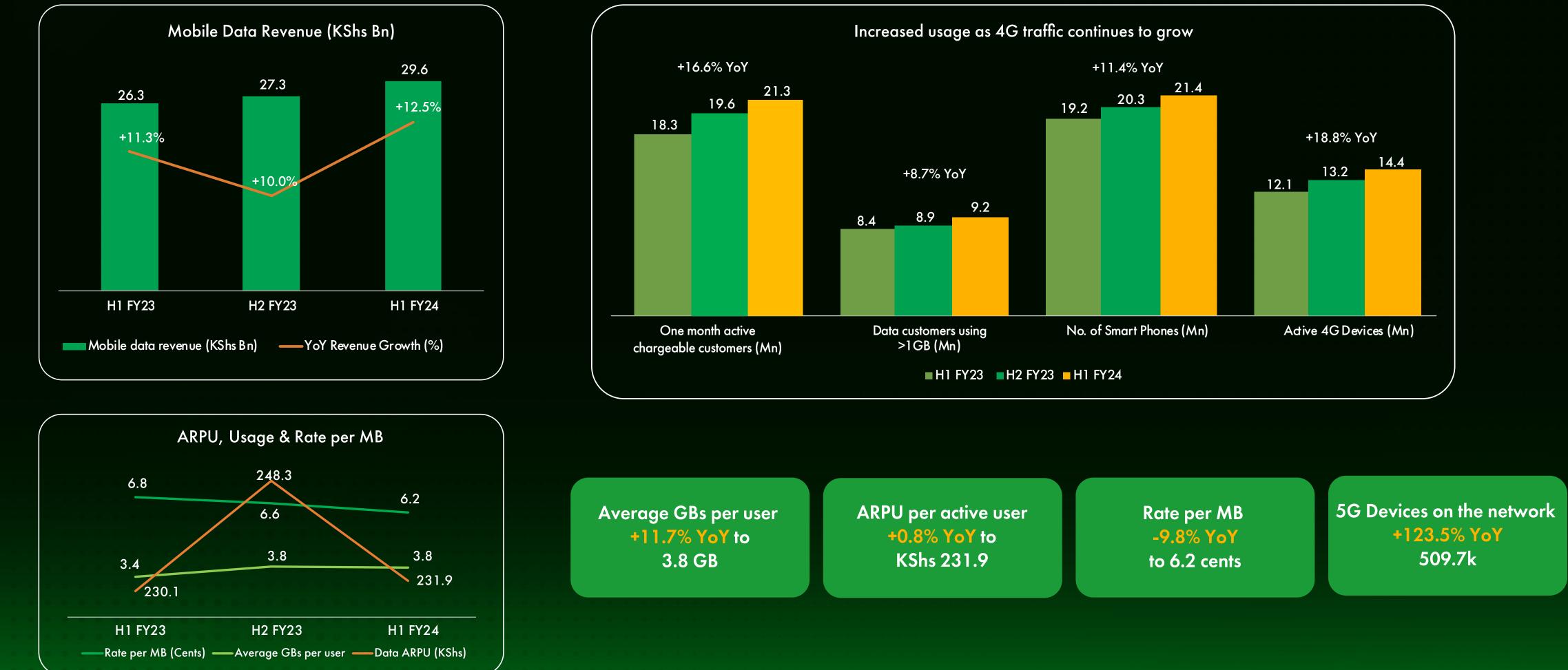


#### **M-PESA Super Apps** | Enhancing Stickiness Through Marketplace Digitization





#### **MOBILE DATA** Double Digit Growth Fueled by Enhanced Monetisation & Value Propositions

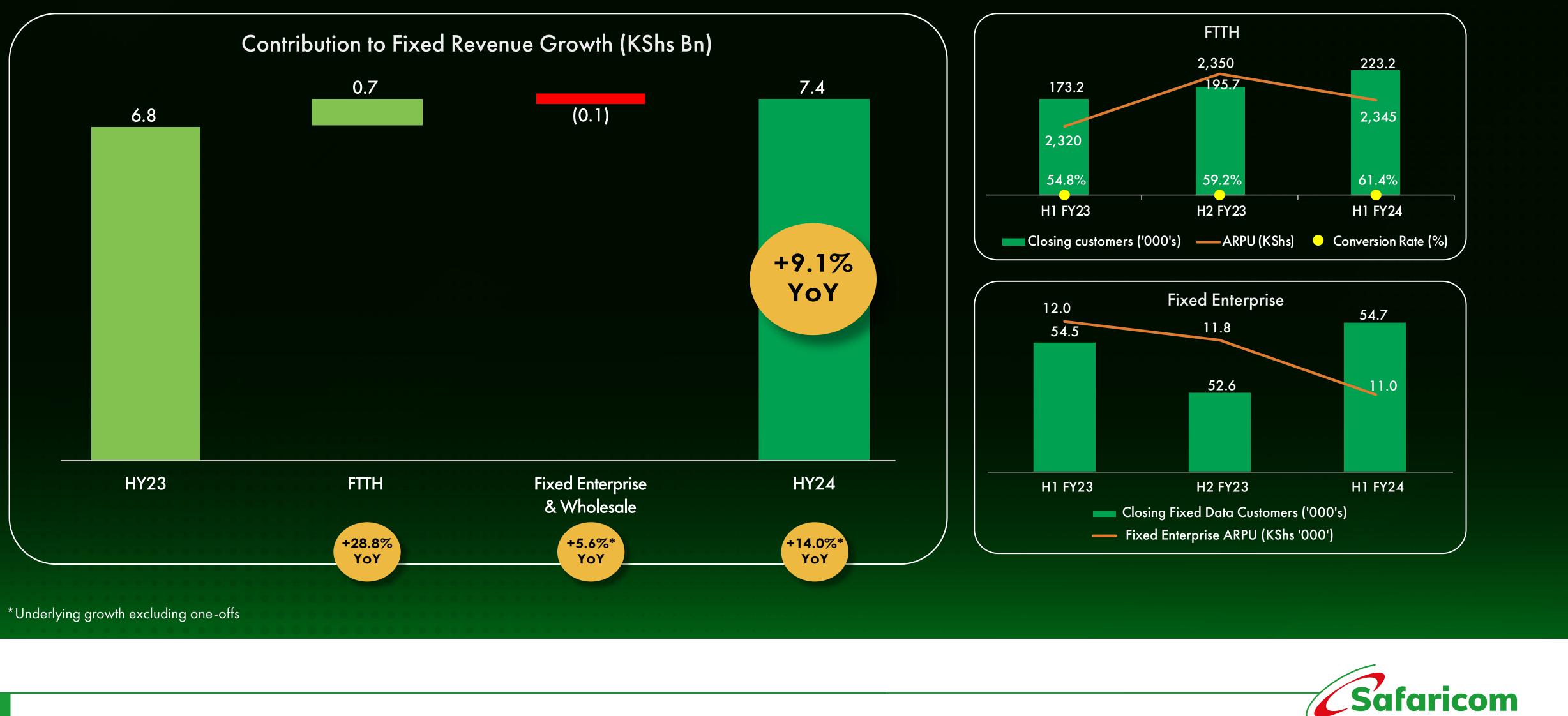






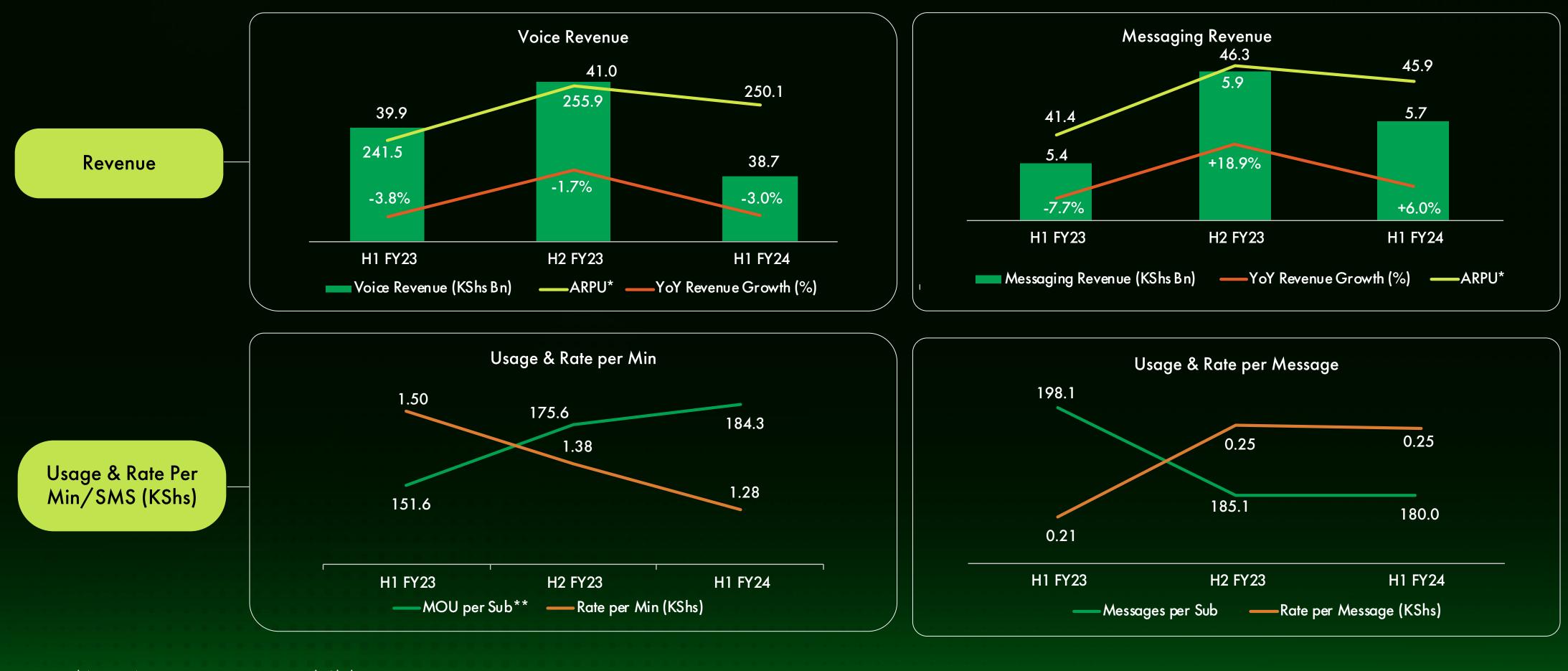


#### **FIXED SERVICE** | Sustained Growth Realised Through Improved Penetration





## **VOICE & MESSAGING** Usage and Affordability Driven by Customer Value Propositions

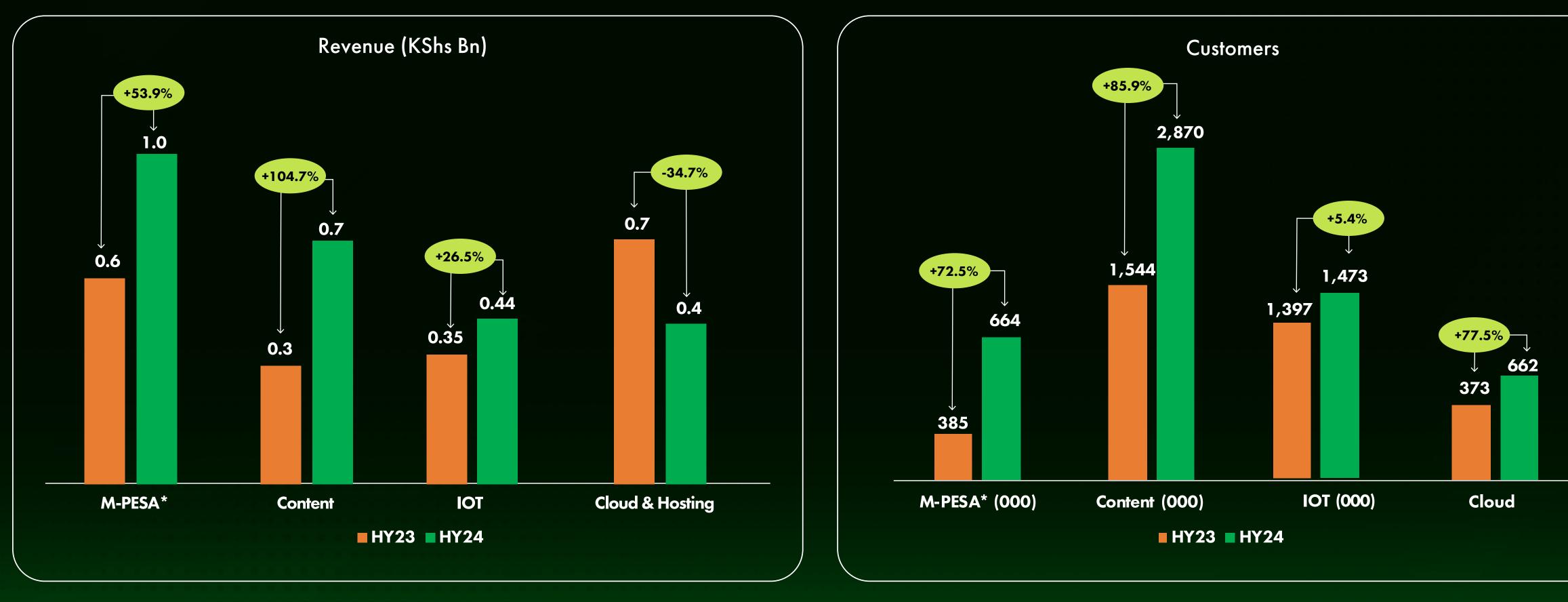


\*ARPU- Average Revenue Per User (KShs) \*\*MOU - Minutes of Use Per One Month Active Subscriber





#### **NEW GROWTH AREAS** | Driving Sustainable Revenue Growth

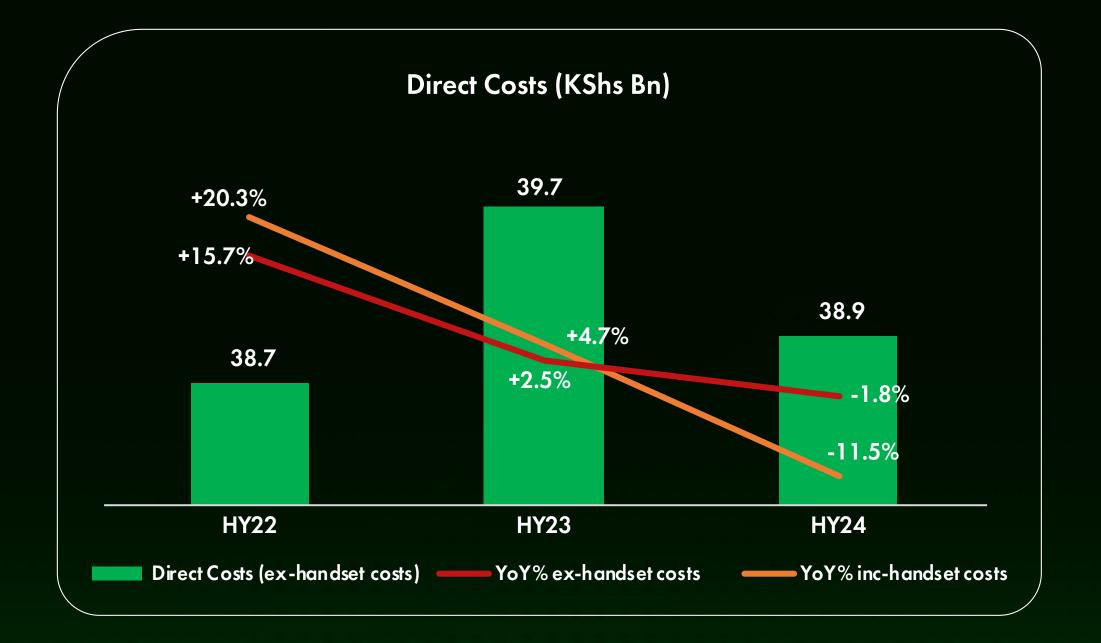


\*This relates to M-PESA revenue and customers on Pochi la Biashara (Wallet for micro/small businesses and vendors), Transacting till for businesses and Merchant overdraft facility.

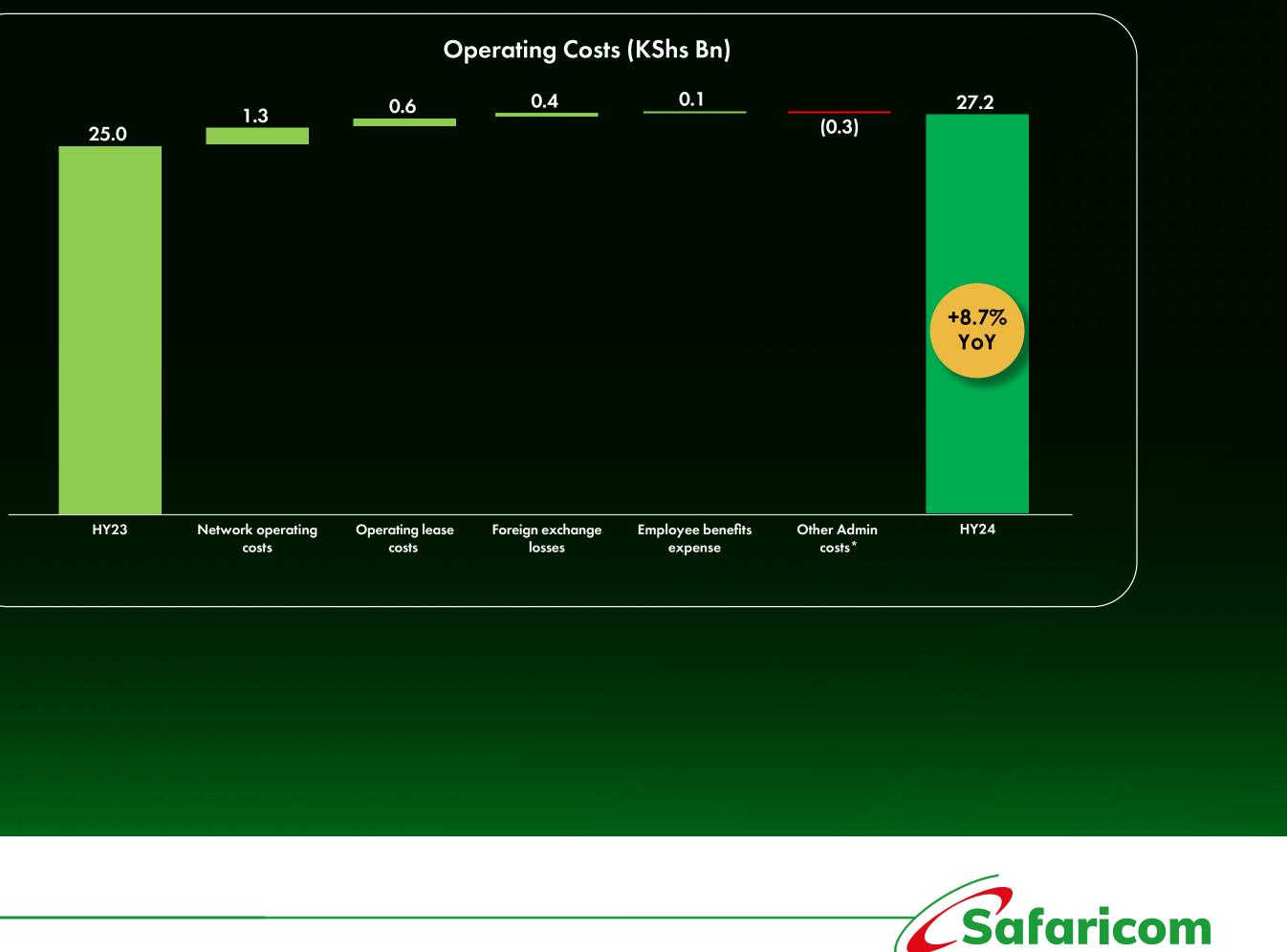






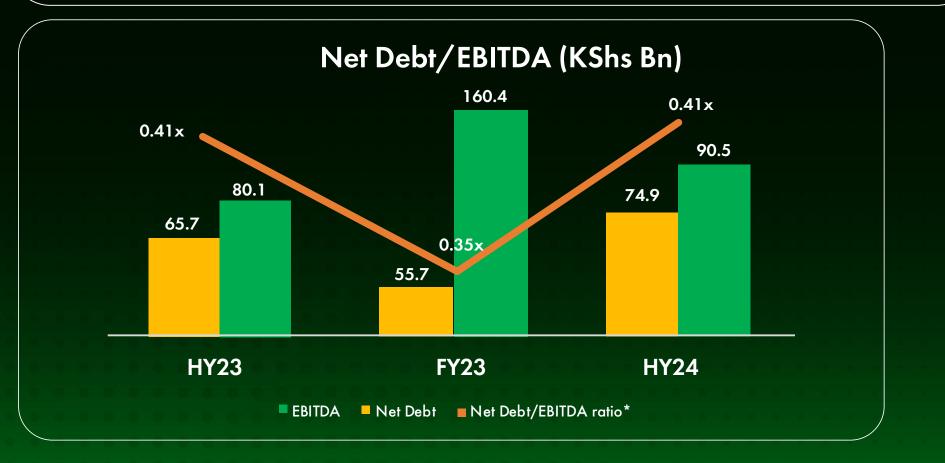


\*Other admin costs - Sales & Advertising, Travel & Accommodation, Inventory Storage costs, Repairs & Maintenance, Office admin, Consultancy, Computer maintenance & Auditors remuneration

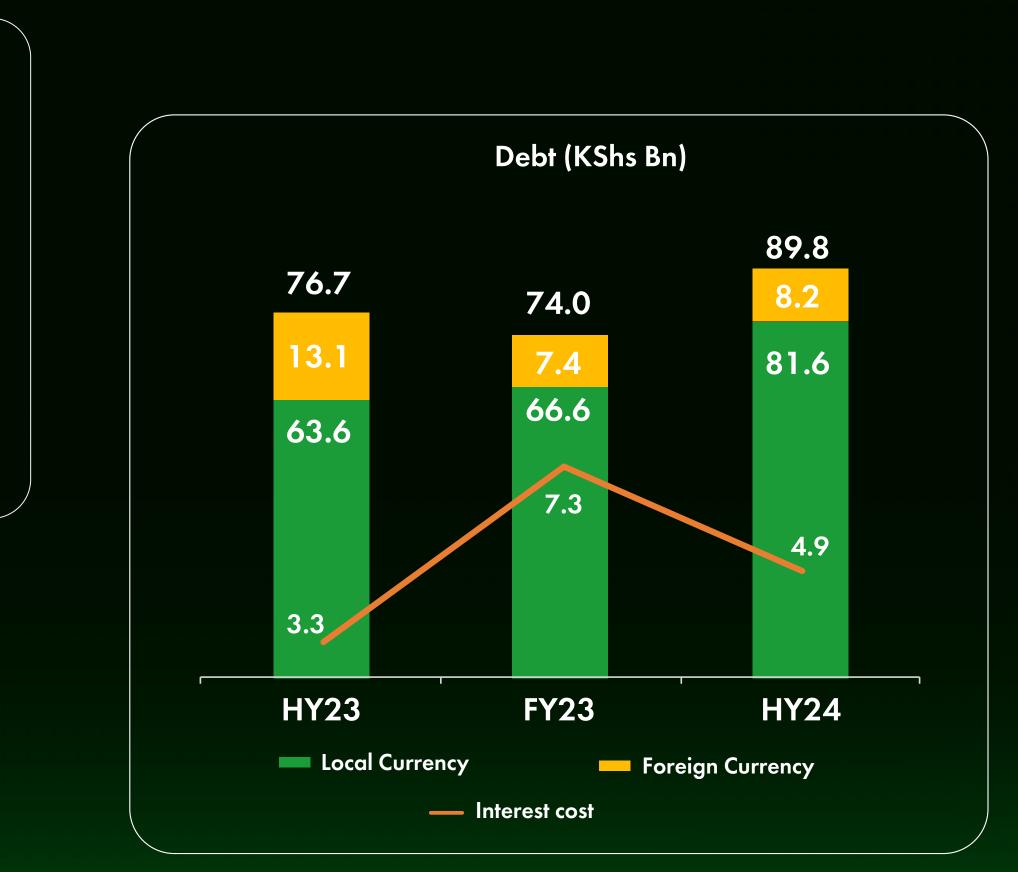




| Net Debt (KShs Bn)      |        |        |        |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|--|
|                         | HY23   | FY23   | HY24   |  |  |  |
| Cash & Cash Equivalents | 11.0   | 18.3   | 14.9   |  |  |  |
| Short term borrowings   | (32.5) | (35.5) | (43.7) |  |  |  |
| Long term borrowings    | (44.2) | (38.5) | (46.1) |  |  |  |
| Net Debt                | (65.7) | (55.7) | (74.9) |  |  |  |



\*Net Debt/EBITDA ratio is calculated on annualised EBITDA







#### FINANCIAL KPIs | Improved Margins Despite a Tough Macro and Regulatory Environment

|                                       | <b>HY20</b> | <b>HY21</b> | HY22          | <b>HY23</b> | HY24  |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
|                                       |             |             |               |             |       |
| Contribution Margin %                 | 71.1%       | 68.2%       | <b>68.9</b> % | 68.6%       | 72.8% |
| EBITDA Margin %                       | 52.8%       | 51.1%       | 53.1%         | 52.2%       | 55.9% |
| EBIT Margin %                         | 38.8%       | 36.3%       | 39.8%         | 38.1%       | 41.5% |
| OPEX Intensity                        | 18.3%       | 17.1%       | 15.8%         | 16.3%       | 16.8% |
| CAPEX Intensity                       | 14.0%       | 18.3%       | 13.5%         | 11.8%       | 15.1% |
| Net Debt to EBITDA ratio <sup>1</sup> | 0.00        | 0.13        | 0.35          | 0.41        | 0.41  |
| ROCE <sup>1</sup>                     | 84.9%       | 68.6%       | 79.2%         | 56.6%       | 55.3% |

These are Safaricom Kenya Numbers <sup>1</sup>Annualised







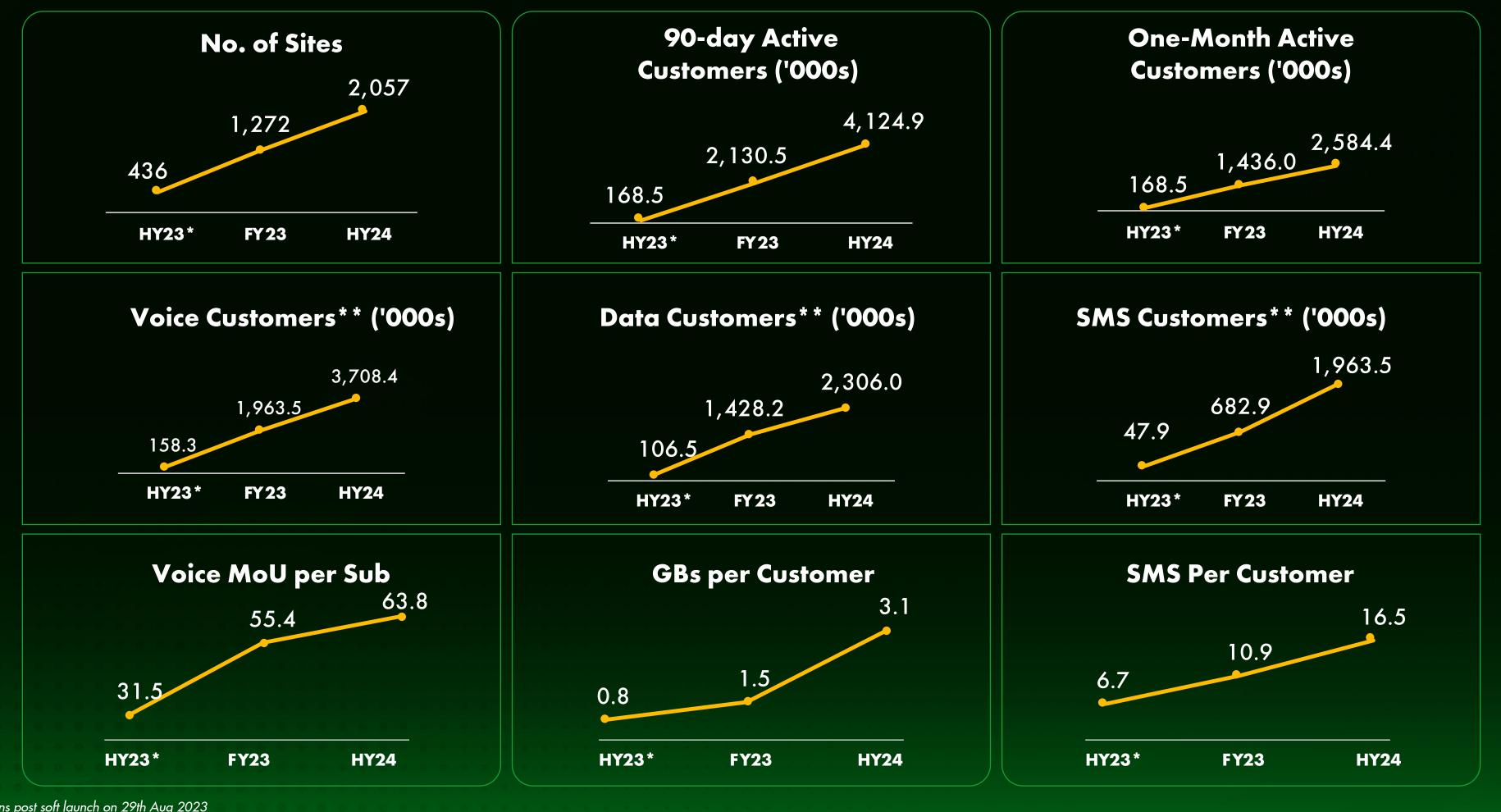
# FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

## SAFARICOM ETHIOPIA





#### **CUSTOMERS & USAGE** | Encouraging Momentum in the Second Full Half Post Launch

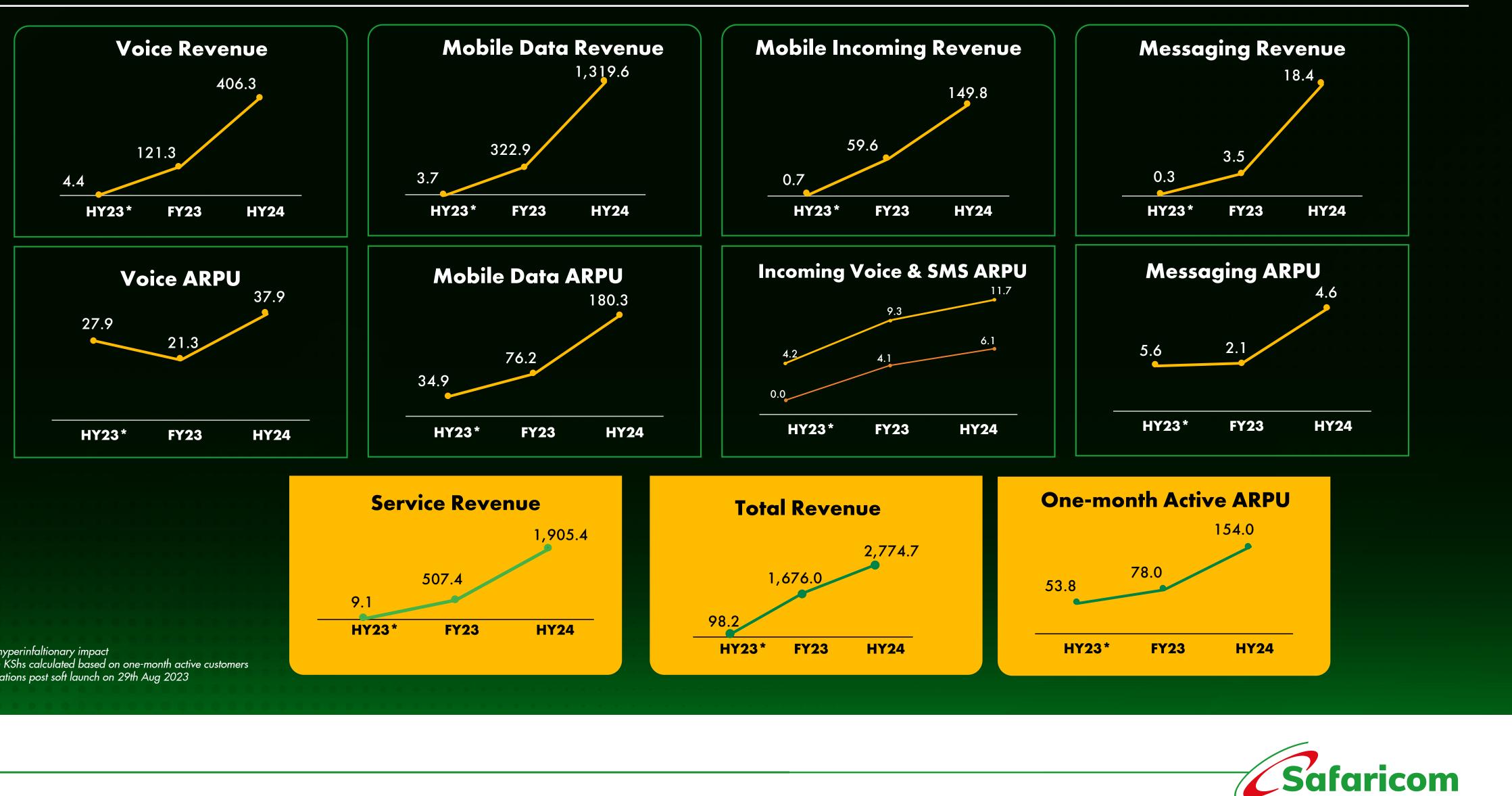


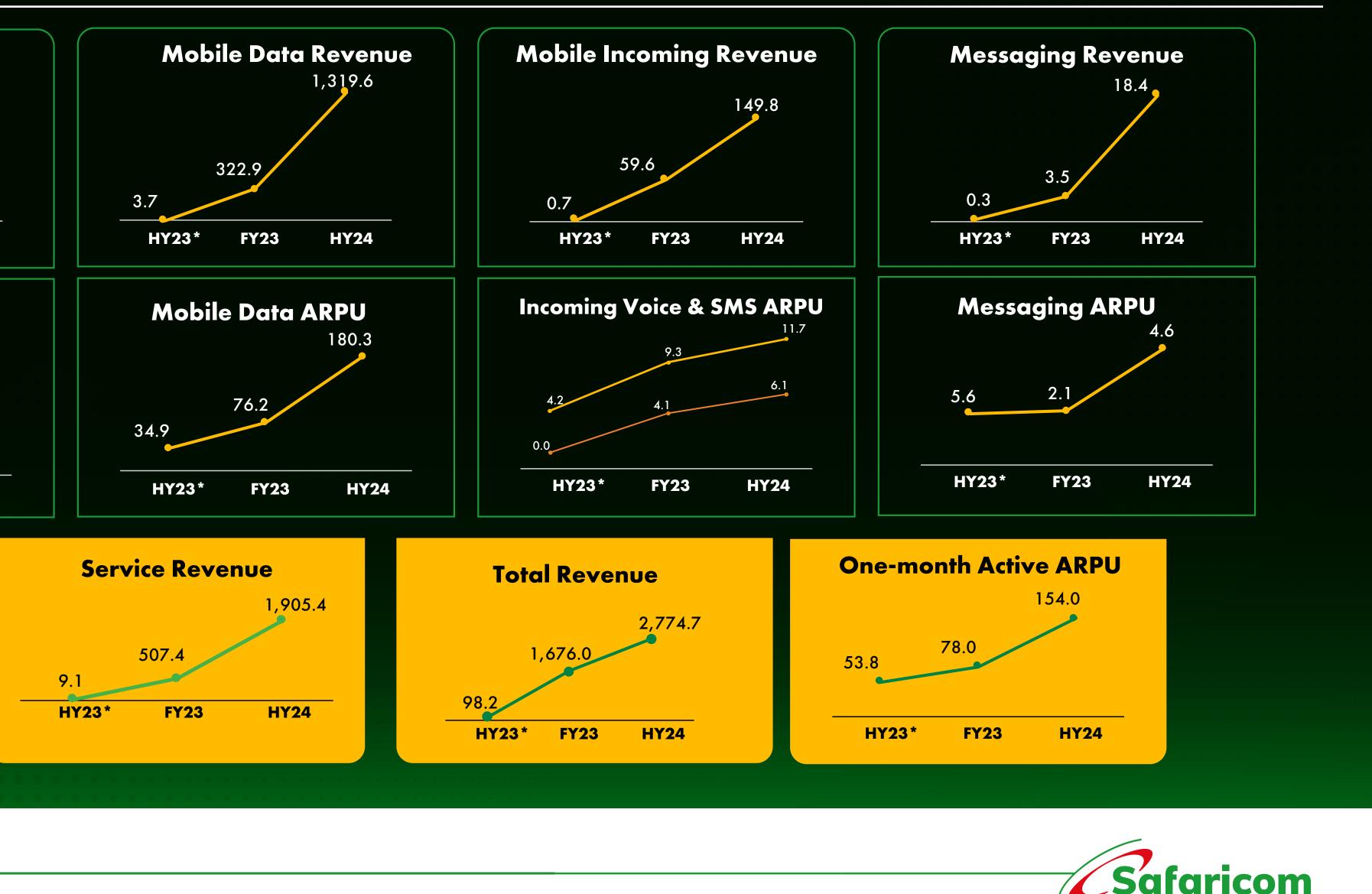
\*HY23 represents one month of operations post soft launch on 29th Aug 2023 \*\*90-day active customers





#### **REVENUE & ARPU** | Tracking as per Plan





Revenues are in KShs Mn excluding hyperinfaltionary impact Average Revenue per User (ARPU) in KShs calculated based on one-month active customers \*HY23 represents one month of operations post soft launch on 29th Aug 2023

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| Funding Status   | Capez                   |
|--|-------------------------|
| <ul> <li>Equity</li> <li>Deferred vendor payments</li> <li>Third party financing (DFI, Local Banks)</li> </ul>   | 5<br>USD<br>2.5 YRS Act |
| <ul> <li>Total Funding as at HY24 by;</li> <li>Shareholders*</li> <li>Y1 to HY24; USD 1,614Mn</li> <li>Safaricom PLC</li> <li>Y1 to HY24; USD 833Mn</li> </ul> | 10Yr Site<br>As at      |
|  |                         |

\*Shareholders & their respective shareholding of Global Partnership for Ethiopia B.V (GPE), the investment vehicle to Ethiopia; Safaricom PLC (51.67%), Vodacom Group (5.74%), Sumitomo Corporation (25.23%), British International Investment (formerly CDC Group PLC) (10.11%) and IFC (7.25%).

## x Investment 5YR Plan; D 1.5-2.0Bn ctual-USD 668.6Mn es Rollout Target; 10-12k HY24; 2,057

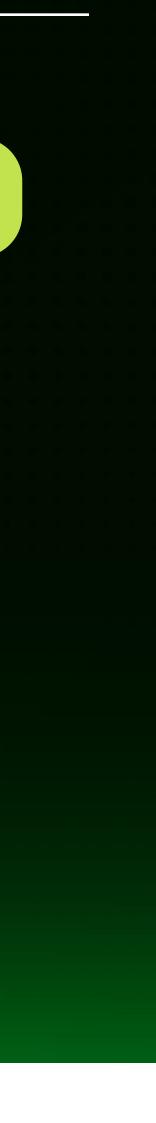
#### **EBITDA break-even in Y4 (FY26)**

EBITDA Margin Y10 est. at around 40%

#### Enablers

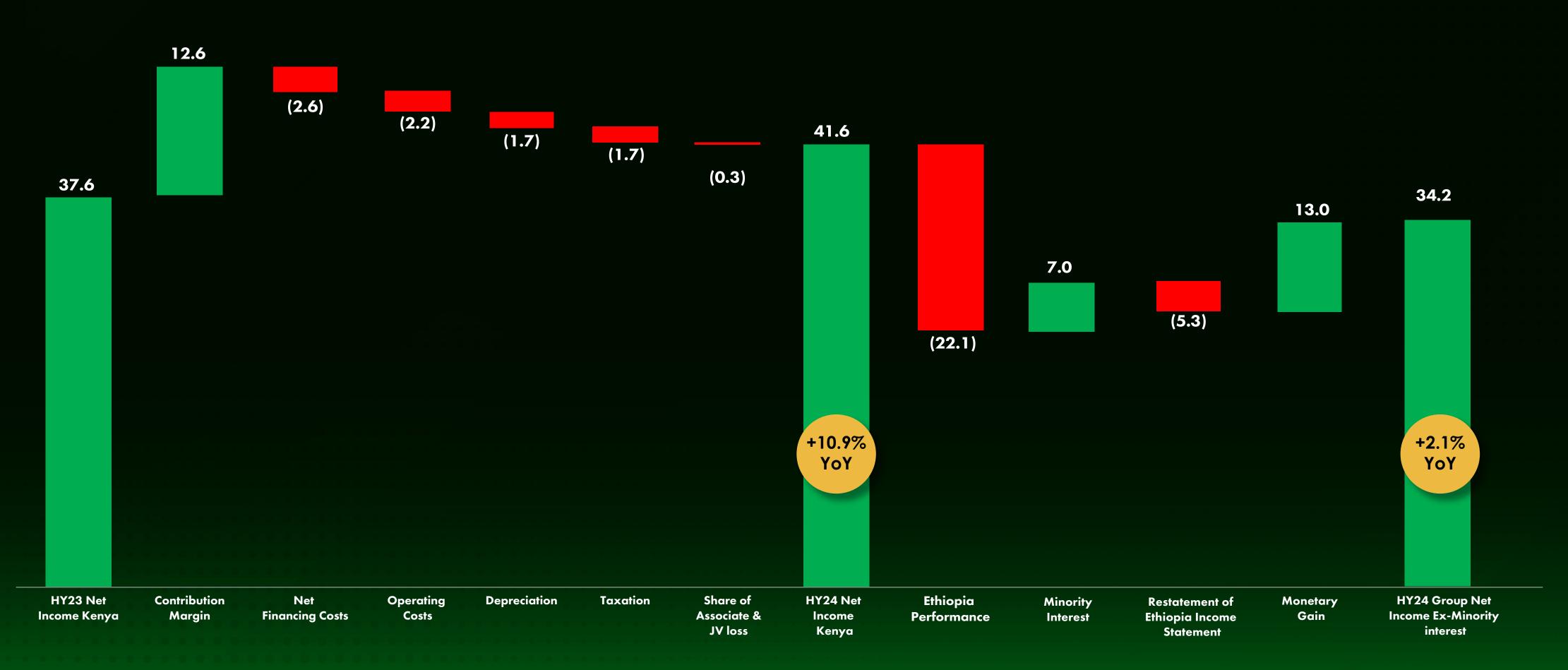
Aggressive network expansion Sim card penetration Mobile financial services launch







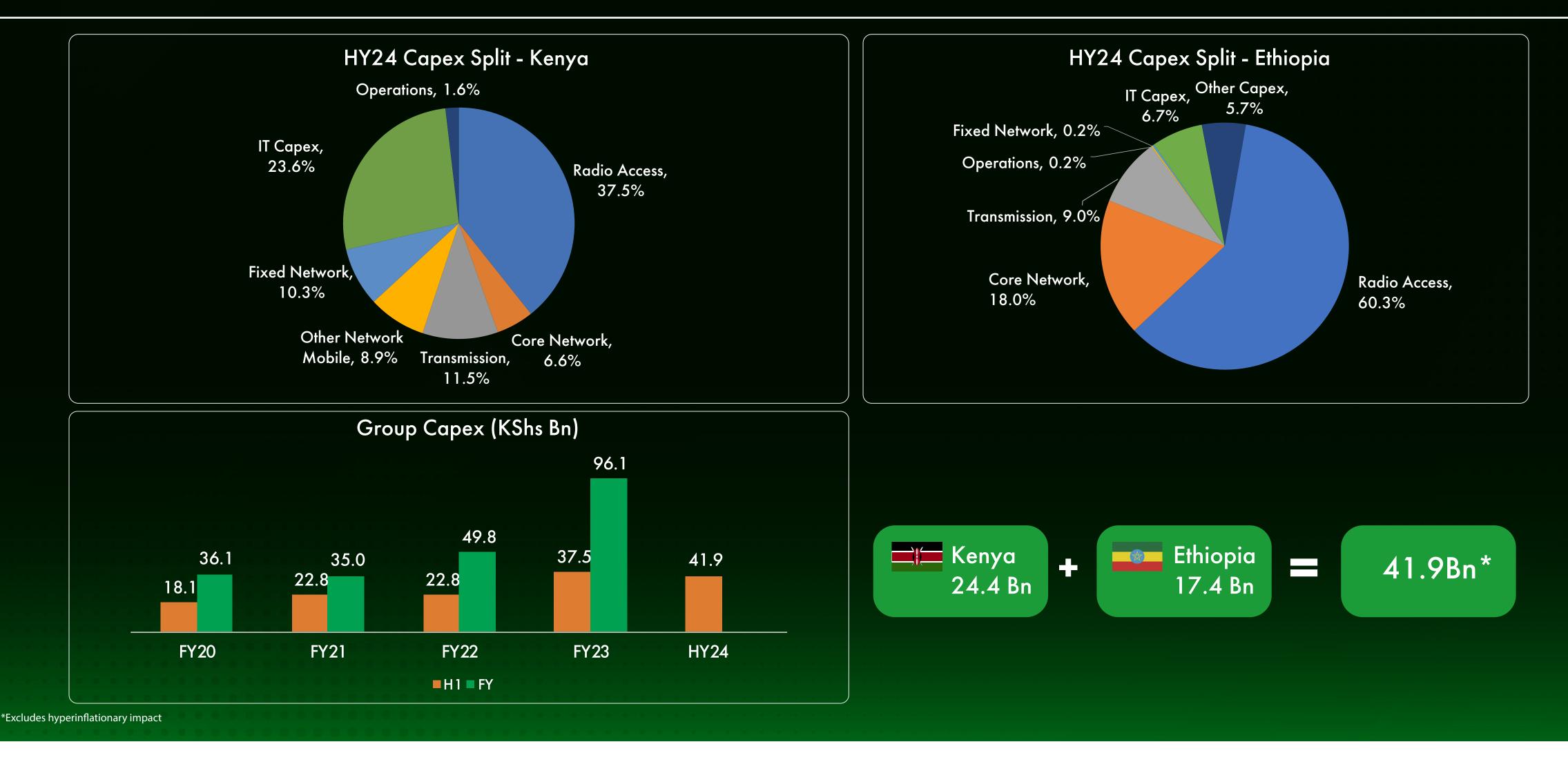
#### **GROUP NET INCOME** Growth Excluding Minority Interest







#### **CAPEX** | Sustained Investment to Support Network Expansion in Ethiopia







## HY24 GROUP PERFORMANCE

|   | Safaricom Kenya<br>(KShs Mn) | Safaricom Ethiopia<br>(KShs Mn) | Safaricom Group<br>(KShs Mn) | Safaricom Kenya<br>% YoY | Safaricom Ethiopia<br>% YoY | Safaricom Group<br>% YoY | Group Consta<br>Currency % Y |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Service Revenue   | 157,184.5                    | 1,975.5                         | 159,135.9                    | 8.5%                     | >100.0%                     | 9.9%                     | 9.9%                         |
| Total Revenue   | 161,750.9                    | 2,889.9                         | 164,616.8                    | 5.5%                     | >100.0%                     | 7.3%                     | 7.3%                         |
| Direct Costs  | 41,265.9                     | 3,156.9                         | 44,398.7                     | (14.2%)                  | >100.0%                     | (5.2%)                   | (5.2%)                       |
| <b>Contribution Margin</b>  | 117,681.3                    | (267.3)                         | 117,414.0                    | 12.0%                    | >100.0%                     | 11.8%                    | 14.5%                        |
| Operating costs   | (27,186.9)                   | (10,450.7)                      | (37,741.1)                   | 8.7%                     | 76.7%                       | 21.9%                    | 18.8%                        |
| Earnings Before Interest, Tax,<br>Depreciation and Amortisation<br>(EBITDA) | 90,494.4                     | (10,806.5)                      | 79,672.9                     | 13.0%                    | 78.0%                       | 7.6%                     | 8.8%                         |
| Depreciation, impairment & amortisation                                     | (23,381.8)                   | (14,844.4)                      | (38,226.1)                   | 7.7%                     | >100.0%                     | 67.7%                    | 66.7%                        |
| Earnings before Interest and Tax<br>(EBIT)                                  | 67,112.6                     | (25,650.9)                      | 41,446.8                     | 14.9%                    | >100.0%                     | (19.1%)                  | (17.6%)                      |
| Hyperinflation net monetary gain*   | 0.0                          | 13,027.4                        | 13,027.4                     | 0.0%                     | >100.0%                     | >100.0%                  | >100.0%                      |
| Profit/ (loss) after tax excluding<br>Minority Interest                     | 41,631.4                     | (7,459.5)                       | 34,164.6                     | 10.9%                    | >100.0%                     | 2.1%                     | 3.7%                         |
| Capex**   | 24,443.0                     | 17,449.1                        | 41,892.1                     | 35.5%                    | -10.4%                      | 11.7%                    | 4.4%                         |

\*The gain in monetary position is as a result of the Ethiopian economy being declared as hyperinflationary on and after 31 December 2022. \*\*Capex numbers exclude hyperinflationary adjustments. Average ETB/KShs exchange rate is at 2.564. Safaricom Kenya numbers includes Kenyan subsidiaries. Safaricom Group is net of intercompany eliminations.







# LOOKING AHEAD





## **IN CONCLUSION** | Great Commercial Momentum in H1







Partner in digitizing Kenya



Gaining commercial momentum in Ethiopia



Delivered value for our customers

Launched device assembly plant







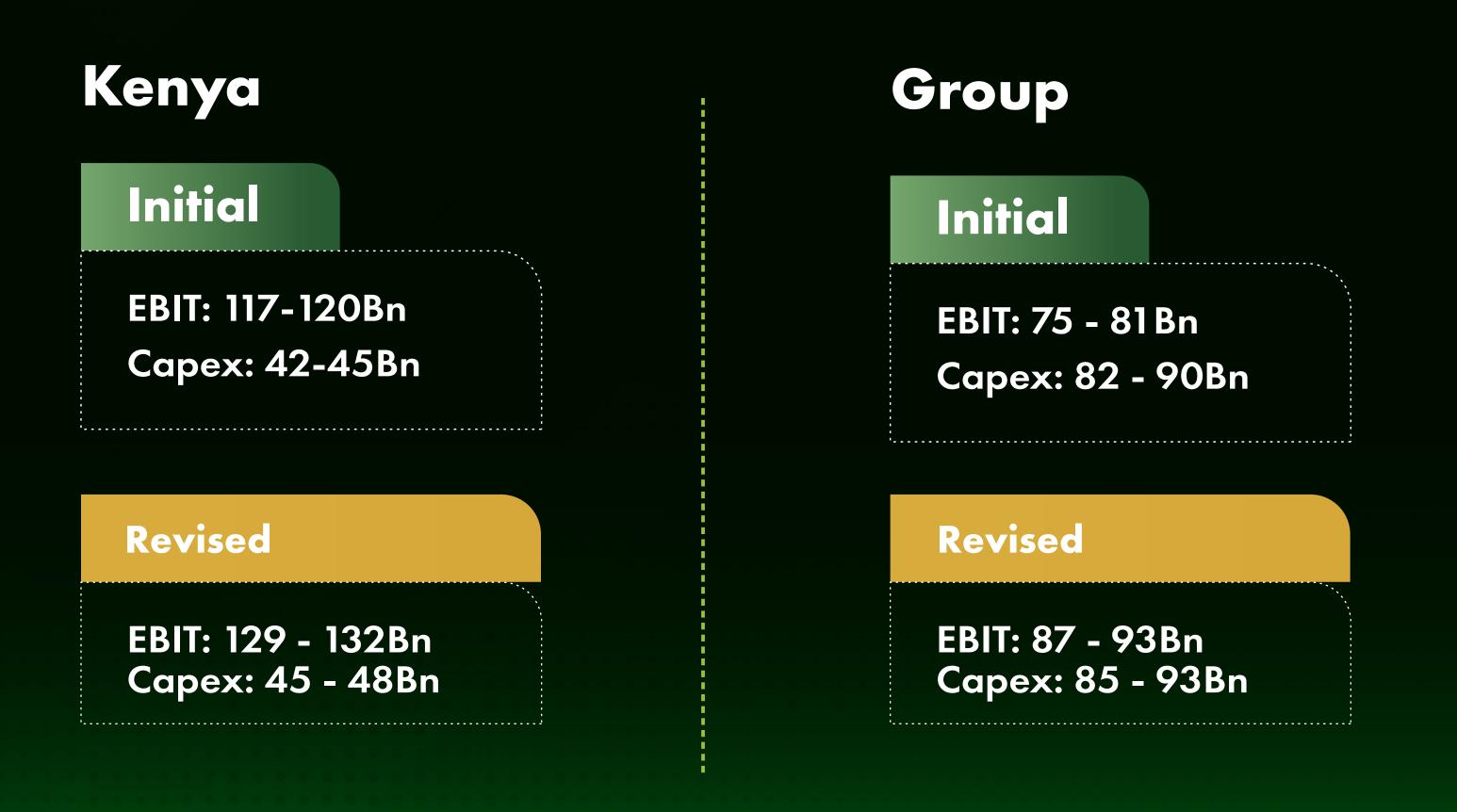
#### H2 FY24 FOCUS | Priority Actions to Deliver Strategy Ambition





## **FY24 GUIDANCE** Upward Revision

All numbers are in KShs



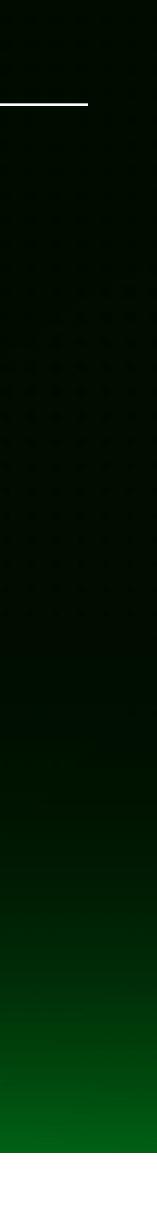
\* Ethiopia Guidance Assumptions

• EBIT • Accelerate M-PESA in H2, Mobile customers target of 7Mn 90-day customers, MTR Rate unchanged, FY24 peak EBITDA loss year for Ethiopia. • CAPEX • Site mix – 50% Colocation vs 50% Own built, Target sites – 3,000 in FY24. These numbers exclude hyperinflationary impact

Ethiopia-Guidance remains unchanged

EBIT: (42 - 39)Bn Capex: 40 - 45Bn







HY24 Investor Presentation

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