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Destini hit by slow demand for aviation manufacturing services

KUALA LUMPUR: A decrease in demand for aviation manufacturing services has widened Destini Bhd's loss for its third quarter ended September 30.

Net loss was at RM13.13 million compared with a net profit of RM6.1 million in the same quarter last year, while revenue plunged 92 per cent to RM11.71 million from RM149.07 million.

Group chief executive officer Datuk Rozabil Abdul Rahman expects Destini's operating environment to remain challenging and competitive.

The company, however, foresees earnings for the financial year 2018 to be satisfactory.

For its nine months, revenue was at RM298.35 million, or 48 per cent lower than RM577.59 million in the same period last year, while cumulative net profit and non-controlling interests declined to RM240,000 from RM25.02 million last year.

In August, Destini bagged a US\$5.2 million (RM21.17 million) contract in Myanmar to provide tubular running services (TRS) to South Korea-based Posco Daewoo Corp.

The contract, awarded to its unit Destini Oil Services Sdn Bhd, is expected to contribute positively to Destini's earnings.

Rozabil said the group had a foothold in Myanmar since 2012 when it provided TRS to Petronas Carigali Sdn Bhd, and it plans to consolidate its position there by bidding for more projects in the country.

The oilfield service company has active presence in Malaysia, Indonesia and Vietnam, besides Myanmar, with expertise in offshore hammer services, casing and tubing-handling equipment and running services, and torque monitoring system and onshore bucking services, as well as provides pressure testing facilities.