Savola Group Reports 26% Nine-Month Recurring Net Profit Growth

Food Processing Volume Growth and Cost Discipline Support Year-to-Date Performance; Q3 Performance Reflects Retail Margin and Regional Cost Pressures

Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia – [5] November 2026: Savola Group ("Savola" or "the Group"), an integrated food platform in the food and retail sectors across the MENA region, today announced its financial results for the three- and nine-month periods ended 30 September 2026.

For the first nine months, revenue increased 3.1% year-on-year to SAR 20.1 billion. EBITDA increased 5.4% year-on-year to SAR 1.9 billion, supported by disciplined cost management, with EBITDA margin of 9.4%, supported by a reduction in operating expenses. Net profit attributable to shareholders reached SAR 530 million, with recurring net profit[1], adjusted for non-recurring items, increasing 26% to SAR 500 million.

Food Processing led performance, with strong volumes, disciplined pricing and cost management supporting growth and margin expansion despite higher regional logistics and input costs. Panda maintained broadly stable revenue and continued to scale its e-commerce proposition, although competitive pressure weighed on margins and profitability. Frozen Food and Food Services delivered improved profitability, supported by stronger margins.

Third quarter revenue increased by 1.5% year-on-year to SAR 6.5 billion, with EBITDA of SAR 576 million and an EBITDA margin of 8.8%. Net profit attributable to shareholders was SAR 128 million, compared with SAR 386 million in Q3 2025, which included SAR 257 million of non-recurring gains, primarily from the reversal of prior-year zakat accruals. On a recurring basis, net profit[1] was broadly stable at SAR 127 million, compared with SAR 129 million in the prior year.

Sameh Hassan, Savola Group CEO, said: *"Our nine-month results demonstrate the resilience of Savola's food platform. Regional developments brought heightened logistical challenges across our raw-material supply chain, significantly higher insurance premiums and a more cautious consumer environment. Despite this, we continued to deliver volume growth and improved profitability, with record edible oil volumes and a 26% increase in recurring net profit. Our teams-maintained continuity of supply and protected margins through disciplined pricing and cost management. In Retail, the market remains highly competitive. Panda continued to grow its digital proposition and invest selectively in its store network while maintaining cost discipline, as restoring margins and improving returns remained key priorities. With a strong balance sheet and low leverage, we are well positioned to strengthen our supply-chain resilience and local manufacturing capabilities, enhance our customer proposition and continue to allocate capital with discipline."*

Savola Group – nine-month performance highlights:

- **Food Processing delivered volume-led growth:** Revenue increased by 6.6% year-on-year to SAR 10.5 billion, with volume growth contributing SAR 891 million (+9.1%), more than offsetting softer sugar prices globally and in Egypt. Segment net profit increased 66% to SAR 454 million.
- **Panda maintained resilient top line amid competitive market**: Revenue was stable at SAR 8.5 billion and online sales grew approximately 2.5x. EBITDA remained stable at SAR 768 million, while margin pressure and higher network expansion-related costs reduced recurring net income to SAR 28 million.
- **Frozen Food and Food Services delivered improved profitability:** Al Kabeer's net profit increased 17.8% year-on-year to SAR 45 million, supported by stronger gross margins. Herfy reported net income of SAR 2 million, compared with a net loss of SAR 66 million in the prior year.
- **Strong cash generation supported by further deleveraging:** Net debt declined to SAR 217 million at 30 September 2026, while operating cash flow funded SAR 554 million of capex and SAR 541 million of dividends, reflecting Savola's disciplined approach to capital allocation.

Financial Highlights

	Third quarter			Nine months		
SAR million (unless stated)	**2026**	**2025**	**Change**	**2026**	**2025**	**Change**
Revenue	6,546	6,448	+1.5%	20,134	19,528	+3.1%
Gross profit	1,232	1,225	+0.5%	3,857	3,794	+1.7%
EBITDA	576	617	(6.6)%	1,892	1,796	+5.4%
Net profit attributable to shareholders (IFRS)[1]	**128**	**386**	**(66.7)%**	**530**	**680**	**(22.2)%**
Adjustments to arrive at recurring net income						
Reversal of prior-year zakat and other accruals	—	(247)		—	(300)	
Gain on settlement of put option liabilities	—	(50)		—	(50)	
Discontinued operations impact (incl. gain on disposal of Sudan operations)	—	14		(44)	33	
Write-off of certain intangibles (Retail)	—	—		13	—	
Impairment / (reversal) of non-current assets (Food Services)	(2)	36		(2)	38	
Loss on derecognition of non-current assets	—	—		—	8	
Non-controlling interest	1	(10)		3	(13)	
Recurring net income (non-IFRS)	**127**	**129**	**(1.2)%**	**500**	**396**	**+26.2%**
Capital expenditure and net debt						
Capital expenditure				554	524	+5.7%
Net debt (period end)				217	604	(64.0) %

1. Recurring net income (net profit attributable to shareholders, adjusted as above) and EBITDA (operating income before depreciation, amortization and impairment) are non-IFRS measures and not substitutes for IFRS. Net debt excludes lease liabilities and is stated net of investment in Government Sukuk. Comparatives reclassified for discontinued operations; figures rounded.

Food Processing – volume-led growth and margin expansion

Nine-month revenue increased 6.6% year-on-year to SAR 10.5 billion, driven by strong volume growth, which contributed SAR 891 million +9.1% and more than offset a SAR 242 million -2.5% impact from lower average selling prices, reflecting softer global sugar benchmarks.

Improved volumes and disciplined cost management supported margin expansion in the nine-month period, with gross margins expanding to 13.5% from 12.9% in the prior year. EBITDA reached SAR 852 million, representing an 8.2% margin, while segment net profit increased 66% year-on-year to SAR 454 million, from SAR 274 million in the prior year.

Retail (Panda) – resilient revenue and digital growth despite competitive pressures

Panda's revenue was broadly stable year-on-year at SAR 8.5 billion (-0.3%) despite a highly competitive Saudi grocery market, outperforming the wider hypermarket and supermarket channel. Revenue was supported by new store openings, increased customer transactions and robust online growth, demonstrating continued momentum across the omnichannel proposition.

Competitive pricing weighed on gross margin, which declined to 23.5% from 24.9% in the prior year. Disciplined cost management helped maintain EBITDA at SAR 768 million, however, higher depreciation and lease finance costs associated with network expansion weighed on profitability.

Segment net profit was SAR 15 million, while recurring net income, excluding the SAR 13 million intangible asset write-off recorded in Q2, was SAR 28 million compared with SAR 72 million in the prior year.

Online sales increased approximately 2.5x year-on-year to more than SAR 500 million, supported by the scaled Ocado-enabled platform, broader product assortment, deeper engagement through aggregators and Panda's loyalty programme. Panda will continue to invest in its e-commerce proposition while maintaining a disciplined, returns-led approach to network expansion and a clear focus on improving profitability.

Frozen Food (Al Kabeer) – margin expansion drives improved profitability

Frozen Food revenue was broadly stable year-on-year at SAR 596 million (-0.5%), despite competitive pricing in the Saudi chicken category and disruption across the region. Lower promotional activity and product cost savings supported a 240 basis-point improvement in gross margin to 35.9% from 33.5% in the prior year. The stronger margin performance translated into improved profitability, with EBITDA increasing 15.5% year-on-year to SAR 75 million at a 12.6% margin, and net profit improving 17.8% year-on-year to SAR 45 million.

Food Services (Herfy) – profitability restored despite softer revenue

Food Services returned to profitability during the period despite revenue declining by 4.1% year-on-year to SAR 784 million. Operational improvements supported gross margin expansion to 28.2%, while EBITDA reached SAR 147 million at a 18.7% margin. Net profit improved to SAR 2 million, compared with a SAR 66 million net loss in the prior year. Excluding non-recurring items, net profit improved by approximately SAR 27 million year-on-year.

Associate Performance

The Group's share of results from equity-accounted investees, mainly Kinan International for Real Estate Development, remained broadly stable at SAR 30 million in the nine-month period, compared with SAR 31 million a year earlier.

Financial Position & Capital Allocation – strong cash generation supports further deleveraging

Net debt declined to SAR 217 million at 30 September 2026, down from SAR 851 million at 30 June 2026 and SAR 604 million in the prior year, reflecting strong operating cash generation while continuing to fund the Group's investment and shareholder returns priorities. During the period, Savola paid dividends amounting to SAR 541 million while funding capital expenditure and lease payments and continuing to reduce net debt. Net financing costs reduced to SAR 63 million for the nine-month period from SAR 87 million in the prior year, reflecting the benefit of lower leverage and continued balance sheet discipline.

Geopolitical Developments – supply continuity maintained despite regional cost pressures

Regional geopolitical developments increased transportation, logistics and input costs during the period, however, Savola maintained continuity of supply across its key markets through proactive supply-chain and operational measures. The Group continues to closely monitor developments across the region and their potential impact on operating conditions, supply-chain arrangements and the cost base. Management remains focused on mitigating potential disruption and maintaining the availability of Savola's products across its markets.

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Notes:

- The Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for the period ended 30 September 2026 will be available on Savola's website following submission to the relevant authorities at https://www.savola.com/en/investors/financial-statements.
- The quarterly investor presentation will be available at savola.com/en/investors/earnings-presentations.

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