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I want to understand the primary drivers for Carabao's recent stock price performance. Find and summarize the key pieces of news that might have affected Carabao's business in 2025.

Positive Drivers

- 1. Strong Q1 2025 Financial Performance
 - Net profits reached THB 760 KAOHOON INTERNATIONAL
 - million in Q1 2025, marking a significant 21% year-on-year increase
 - Total revenue grew 8% YoY to THB 5,328 million, driven by branded products KAOHOON INTERNATIONAL

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- 2. Strategic Partnership with Tsingtao Brewery
 - In September 2025, Carabao signed a major partnership with China's Tsingtao Brewery and Namyong Terminal to strengthen Thai-Chinese beverage industry cooperation Nation Thailand

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• This partnership leverages Carabao's distribution network and production technology to expand in Thailand and ASEAN markets Nation Thailand

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- 3. Domestic Market Strength
 - Domestic energy drink sales expected to grow 7% in FY25, outpacing the overall Thai market's 2.5% growth Minichart

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• Market share projected to increase from 26.0% in 2024 to 27.5% in 2025 Minichart

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Competitive pricing strategy at THB 10 per bottle resonates well with consumers
 Minichart

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- 4. Analyst Upgrades
 - Maybank Securities upgraded the stock from "HOLD" to "BUY" with a THB 91 target price, representing 15% upside Minichart

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Negative Drivers

- 1. Sugar Tax Implementation
 - Thailand's final phase 4 sugar tax took effect April 1, 2025, with drinks containing 6-8g sugar per liter seeing tax rise from THB 0.3 to THB 1 per liter Asiafoodbeverages

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 If Carabao maintains current sugar levels, it could face a 3% downside to FY25 earnings per share Minichart

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- 2. Thailand-Cambodia Trade Conflict
 - Q3 2025 forecasts show weakness due to Thailand-Cambodia conflict, leading to a 43%
 YoY drop in overseas sales KAOHOON INTERNATIONAL
 - Pre-exceptional profit for Q3 2025 projected at THB 630 million, down 15% YoY and 21% QoQ KAOHOON INTERNATIONAL
- 3. Stock Price Correction
 - Stock has fallen from 52-week high of THB 82 to around THB 71.25 as of February 2025 StockInvest.us
 - Technical indicators show sell signals from both short and long-term moving averages StockInvest.us

Future Outlook

Recovery Expected:

- Analysts expect operational improvement from late 2025 onwards KAOHOON INTERNATIONAL
- New production facility in Myanmar expected to commence operations in Q2 2025, potentially boosting international sales Minichart
- Company aims to restore CLMV market sales to pre-instability level of THB 6.8 billion Minichart
- **Financial Projections:**
 - FY25 revenue expected to grow 10% to THB 22.93 billion Minichart
 - Core net profit forecasted to grow 11.1% to THB 3.14 billion Minichart

The stock's recent performance reflects a mix of strong domestic fundamentals being offset by regulatory challenges (sugar tax) and geopolitical issues (Thailand-Cambodia conflict). However, the strategic partnership with Tsingtao and expected recovery in international markets suggest potential for improvement in the latter half of 2025.

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