

# **Bajaj Auto**

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Bloomberg	BJAUT IN
Equity Shares (m)	283
M.Cap.(INRb)/(USDb)	2042.5 / 24.6
52-Week Range (INR)	7420 / 3611
1, 6, 12 Rel. Per (%)	13/39/77
12M Avg Val (INR M)	2289

### Financials & Valuations (INR b)

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2023	2024E	2025E
364	452	510
65.5	88.9	100.9
18.0	19.7	19.8
60.6	78.5	88.0
214	277	311
16.7	29.5	12.1
899	989	1,082
23.3	29.4	30.0
21.3	27.7	27.6
70.4	65.8	64.3
33.7	26.0	23.2
8.0	7.3	6.7
1.9	2.4	2.8
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### Shareholding pattern (%)

As On	Dec-23	Sep-23	Dec-22
Promoter	54.9	55.0	55.0
DII	8.7	9.1	11.0
FII	14.7	14.4	11.8
Others	21.7	21.7	22.2

FII Includes depository receipts

CMP: INR7,213 TP: INR6,775 (-6%) Neutral

# In line 3Q; demand recovers across segments

## Domestic 2W industry volumes to grow 8-10% YoY in coming months

- BJAUT reported an in-line performance in 3QFY24. The company reported its highest ever EBITDA margin of 20.1%, up 100bp YoY, supported by healthy volume growth in the domestic market, better realizations, and cost control.
- We maintain our FY24/FY25 estimates. We now value BJAUT at ~20x Dec'25E EPS (vs. 18x Dec'25E EPS earlier) to factor in a healthy recovery in domestic 2W volumes, a gradual pickup in exports, and its growth in the growing e2W market through products and channel expansion. Reiterate Neutral rating with a TP of INR6,775.

## **EBITDA** margin expansion continues

- BJAUT's 3QFY24 revenue/EBITDA/PAT grew 30%/20%/37% YoY to INR121.1b/ INR24.3b/INR20.4b. In 9MFY24, its revenue/EBITDA/PAT rose 21%/35%/32% YoY.
- Volumes grew 22% YoY with ASPs growing 6.5% YoY to INR100.9/unit (est. INR100.7k). Net sales grew 30% YoY to INR121.1b (in line) in 3Q.
- Gross margin contracted 50bp YoY/10bp QoQ to 28.9% (est. 28.8%) despite favorable FX. This was partially offset by better cost control, resulting in EBITDA growth of ~37% YoY to INR24.3b (est. INR24.2b).
- EBITDA margin rose 100bp YoY/30bp QoQ to 20.1% (est. 20.1%).
- Despite slightly lower-than-estimated other income, adj. PAT came in at INR20.4b (+37% YoY, in line).
- Cash on the balance sheet as of Dec'23 stood at INR184.4b (vs. INR173.3b as of Sep'23).

## Highlights from the management commentary

- **Domestic 2W-** Retails grew 11% YoY for the industry in 3QFY24 and the management expects industry volumes to grow by 8-10% in the coming months. Festive demand was strong and it was further supported by healthy retails in Dec'23.
- Exports- The macro environment is uncertain due to geopolitical issues. However, the continuing devaluation of emerging market currencies has eased now. Exports currently stand at 70% of peak FY22 volumes. However, volume grew ~2% sequentially during the quarter. Africa and South Asia are dragging down the recovery.
- Triumph- In places like Bangalore and Kerala, BJUAT's market share has reached 20% in the category. It plans to grow its footprint beyond 100 cities, covering 50% of the market. The current capacity now stands at 10k units per month and is being increased to 20k units, with a target to reach ~30k units in 1HFY25.
- EVs- 3W: BJAUT currently has a presence in 23 cities and plans to expand to 50 cities in 4Q and 400 cities before the season in 2024. Capacity has already been put in position. Chetak: It aims to achieve the 15k units per month sales mark, which will be driven by new launches and network expansion.

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## Valuation and view

Both domestic and export volumes are expected to recover in FY25 from the low base, driving a healthy earnings recovery. We expect BJAUT to benefit from market share gains over the long term, driven by: 1) the premiumization trend, 2) the opportunity in exports, and 3) the potential sizeable position in the Scooter market via EVs. However, a large part of its India profit pool (of premium motorcycle and 3Ws) is vulnerable to possible disruption from electrification.

At ~26x/23x FY24E/FY25E consolidated EPS, the stock's valuation fairly reflects the expected recovery as well as the risk of EVs. We reiterate our Neutral rating with a TP of INR6,775 (based on 20x Dec'25E consolidated EPS).

Quarterly Performance (INR Million)

	FY23					FY2	4E		FY23	FY24E	
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4QE			3QE
Volumes ('000 units)	934	1,151	983	860	1,027	1,054	1,201	1,155	3,928	4,438	1,201
Growth YoY (%)	-7.2	0.6	-16.8	-12.0	10.0	-8.4	22.1	34.4	(8.8)	13.0	22.1
Realization (INR/unit)	85,739	88,642	94,720	1,03,573	1,00,347	1,02,256	1,00,862	1,03,988	92,742	1,01,888	1,00,722
Growth YoY (%)	16.8	17.7	24.0	26.8	17.0	15.4	6.5	0.4	21.1	9.9	6.3
Net Sales	80,050	1,02,028	93,151	89,047	1,03,098	1,07,773	1,21,135	1,20,157	3,64,276	4,52,163	1,20,967
Change (%)	8.4	18.4	3.3	11.7	28.8	5.6	30.0	34.9	10.4	24.1	29.9
EBITDA	12,970	17,587	17,768	17,166	19,539	21,329	24,299	23,741	65,491	88,907	24,255
EBITDA Margins (%)	16.2	17.2	19.1	19.3	19.0	19.8	20.1	19.8	18.0	19.7	20.1
Other Income	3,193	3,332	2,691	2,598	3,463	3,614	3,461	3,564	11,814	14,102	3,700
Interest	43	109	85	157	121	65	121	113	395	420	100
Depreciation	673	670	740	742	835	876	881	884	2,824	3,477	880
PBT after EO	15,447	20,140	19,635	18,865	22,046	24,000	26,758	26,307	74,086	99,112	26,975
Effective Tax Rate (%)	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.5	23.5	23.7	24.8	24.0	24.1	24.2
Adj. PAT	11,733	15,300	14,914	14,329	16,648	18,361	20,419	19,781	56,276	75,209	20,447
Change (%)	10.6	31.3	22.8	16.9	41.9	20.0	36.9	38.1	20.6	33.6	37.1

**Key Performance Indicators** 

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Cost Break-up											
RM Cost (% of sales)	72.2	73.4	70.6	69.8	71.9	71.0	71.1	71.3	71.5	71.3	71.2
Staff Cost (% of sales)	4.7	3.5	3.8	4.1	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.3	4.0	3.4	3.3
Other Cost (% of sales)	6.9	6.0	6.6	7.0	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.8	6.6	5.7	5.5
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E:MOFSL Estimates



## Key takeaways from the earnings call

- Domestic 2W- Retails grew 11% YoY for the industry in 3QFY24 and the management expects industry volumes to grow by 8-10% in the coming months. Festive demand was strong and it was further supported by healthy retails in Dec'23.
- Exports- The macro environment remains uncertain due to geopolitical tensions. However, the continuing devaluation of emerging market currencies has eased now. Exports currently stand at 70% of peak FY22 volumes. However, volume grew ~2% sequentially during the quarter. Africa and South Asia are dragging the recovery. LATAM, Middle East, and Philippines have crossed their previous peak volumes. Recorded highest ever retail in Mexico.
- Pulsar's mix increased from 19% 3QFY23 to 28% 3QFY24. Export revenue grew 10% YoY, despite a 4% volume decline, due to a better mix and Fx.
- ➤ Geography mix- Africa 45-48%, LatAm ~25%, South Asia 15-18%, Middle East and North America is 19%.
- Brazil Starting new a new plant wherein production is expected to start by end of 1Q.
- ➤ Red Sea issue- Freight has doubled and supply has been delayed by 3 weeks for LatAm and Africa. As of now, it is not expected to impair the performance on a continuous basis unless there is a wild escalation. Alternate routes are being put in place.
- Chetak- BJAUT has a presence in 140 cities, with 160 all exclusive dealerships covering 80% of the high-speed market. Retail market share has reached 14%, which is the third largest. The company aims to achieve 15k units per month sales mark, which will be driven by new launches and network expansion. The segment reported revenue of INR10b in 9MFY24.
- Triumph- Scrambler 400X sales are 50% of the total Triumph sales. Both models put together retailed 2,800 units in just 40 cities. In places like Bangalore and Kerala, market share of BJUAT has reached 20% in the category. It plans to grow footprint beyond 100 cities, covering 50% of the market. The current capacity now stands at 10k units per month and is being increased to 20k units, with a target to reach ~30k units in 1HFY25.
- **3W business** BJAUT's overall market share stands at 77%, while it is ~85% for the passenger segment. CNG now contributes ~60% of the industry and BJAUT's market share in the category is 80%.
- > 3W EV- Currently the company has a presence in 23 cities and it plans to expand to 50 cities in 4Q and 400 cities before the season in 2024. Capacity has already been put in position.
- ➤ Payback for CNG 3W is just 6-9 months and BJAUT aims to leverage the growing CNG infrastructure of ~4000 stations. As CNG is more efficient vs. petrol, the company is also working on 2W CNG.
- Others-
- ➤ The USD-INR situation rate is stable as it stood at 83.2 vs. 82.6 in previous quarter and 81.7 in 3QFY23.
- Current cash balance stands at INR18.5k crore.
- > Spares revenue stood at INR13b, with domestic revenue of INR10b and exports at INR10.5b; Export revenue stood at USD450m.

**Exhibit 1: Trend in product mix** 

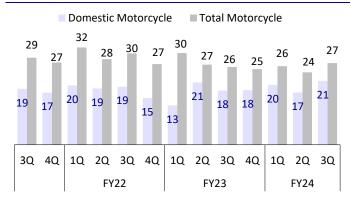
	3QFY24	3QFY23	YoY (%)	2QFY24	QoQ (%)
Motorcycles					
Domestic	6,55,453	4,55,313	44.0	5,05,320	29.7
% of total volumes	54.6	46.3		47.9	
Exports	3,84,740	3,95,901	-2.8	3,76,263	2.3
% of total volumes	32.0	40.3		35.7	
<b>Total Motorcycles</b>	10,40,193	8,51,214	22.2	8,81,583	18.0
% of total volumes	86.6	86.6		83.6	
Three Wheelers					
Domestic	1,22,828	89,042	37.9	1,32,236	-7.1
% of total volumes	10.2	9.1		12.5	
Exports	37,976	43,187	-12.1	40,134	-5.4
% of total volumes	3.2	4.4		3.8	
Total 3Ws	1,60,804	1,32,229	21.6	1,72,370	-6.7
% of total volumes	13.4	13.4		16.4	
Total Volumes	12,00,997	9,83,443	22.1	10,53,953	14.0

Source: Company, MOFSL

**Exhibit 2: Trends in domestic and export realizations** 

■ Export Realizations
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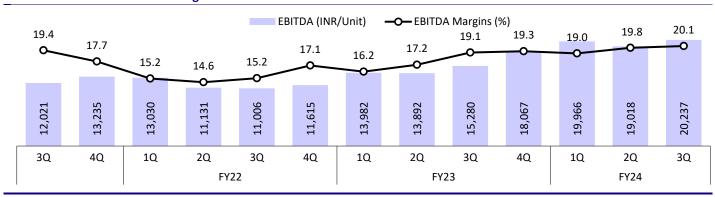
Exhibit 3: Trends in domestic and total 2W market share



Sources: Company reports, MOFSL estimates

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**Exhibit 4: EBITDA and EBITDA margin trends** 



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## Valuation and view

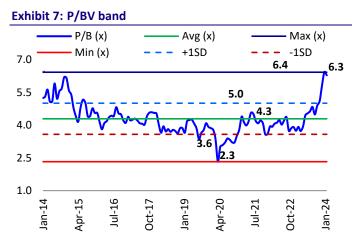
■ Volumes hit by slowdown in 2W industry: FY21-23 has been a challenging period for the domestic 2W industry due to the pandemic. BJAUT, however, sailed through on the back of a good recovery in the domestic market (led by the Pulsar 125cc). BJAUT is better positioned than its mainstream 2W peers, owing to its strong exports and the premium motorcycle segment. We estimate a 9% CAGR in volumes over FY23-26.

- Well placed to ride the premiumization trend: By leveraging its strong alliance with KTM and its latest partnerships with Husqvarna and Triumph, BJAUT could offer the widest range of premium motorcycles. Husqvarna and KTM present an opportunity for BJAUT to grow its contract manufacturing volumes by 3x over the next few years. Meanwhile, Triumph has facilitated the company's entry into the large segment of mid-capacity Cruiser (~1m motorcycles annually) with the launch of Speed 400 and Scrambler 400.
- Electrification opportunity or threat? BJAUT has re-entered the lucrative Scooter segment through its Chetak e-scooter. This would expand its addressable market, as the Scooter category makes up ~30-33% of the domestic 2W industry. The company plans to focus solely on e-scooters and it is one of the early movers in this segment. BJAUT would be at the forefront in driving electrification and has the opportunity to gain a sizeable share of the e-Scooter market. However, a large part of its existing India profit pool (of premium motorcycle and 3Ws) is vulnerable to possible disruption from electrification.
- Better positioned to protect margins vs. peers: Unlike its 2W peers, BJAUT has several levers to support its margins and dilute the impact of cost inflation and operating deleverage. The company can support its margins through: 1) a healthy mix (premium motorcycles, domestic 3Ws, and exports), 2) favorable Fx, and 3) keeping fixed costs lower vs. peers. We expect BJAUT to maintain an EBITDA margin of around 18-20% over the next two years.
- Valuation and view: We maintain our FY24/FY25 estimates. We now value BJAUT at ~20x Dec'25E EPS (vs 18x Dec-25E EPS) to factor in a healthy recovery in domestic 2W volumes, a gradual pickup in exports, and its growth in the growing e2W market through products and channel expansion. We expect BJAUT to benefit from market share gains over the long term, led by: 1) the premiumization trend, 2) the opportunity in exports, and 3) the potential sizeable position in the Scooter market via EVs. However, a large part of its India profit pool (of premium motorcycle and 3Ws) is vulnerable to possible disruption from electrification. At 26x/23x FY24E/FY25E consolidated EPS, the stock's valuation fairly reflects the expected recovery as well as the risk of EVs. We reiterate our Neutral rating with a TP of INR6,775.

Exhibit 5: Our revised forecasts (INR m)

		FY24E		FY25E			
	Rev	Old	Chg (%)	Rev	Old	Chg (%)	
Vols ('000 units)	4,438	4,483	-1.0	4,919	4,969	-1.0	
Net Sales	4,52,163	4,56,573	-1.0	5,10,390	5,15,370	-1.0	
EBITDA	88,907	90,334	-1.6	1,00,944	1,02,030	-1.1	
EBITDA Margins (%)	19.7	19.8	-10bp	19.8	19.8	0bp	
Net Profit	78,473	79,952	-1.8	87,986	89,200	-1.4	
EPS (INR)	277.3	282.6	-1.8	310.9	315.2	-1.4	

### Exhibit 6: P/E band P/E (x) - Avg (x) — Мах (x) Min (x) **---** +1SD **---** -1SD 26.0 22.5 21.9 22.0 19.6 18.0 14.0 10.0 Apr-15 Apr-20 Jan-24 Jan-14 Jul-16 Oct-17 Jul-21



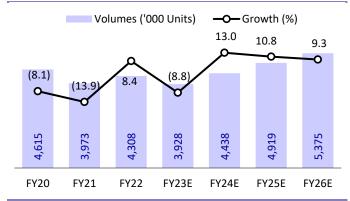
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**Exhibit 8: Snapshot of Revenue Model** 

O00 units         FY19         FY20         FY21         FY22         FY23         FY24E         FY25           Motorcycles (units)         2541         2,078         1,809         1,641         1,806         2,203         2,37           Growth (%)         28.7         -18.2         -12.9         -9.3         10.0         22.0         8.           % of total volumes         50.6         45.0         45.5         38.1         46.0         49.6         48.           Exports         1,696         1,869         1,797         2,196         1,637         1,506         1,73           Growth (%)         21.6         10.2         -3.9         22.2         -25.4         -8.0         15.           % of total volumes         33.8         40.5         45.2         51.0         41.7         33.9         35.           Total M/Cycles         4,237         3,948         3,606         3,837         3,443         3,709         4,11           Growth (%)         25.7         -6.8         -8.7         6.4         -10.3         7.7         10.           % of total volumes         84.4         85.5         90.8         89.1         87.7         83.6         83. <th>2,570</th>	2,570
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Total Volumes 5,020 4,615 3,973 4,308 3,928 4,438 4,91	5,375
Growth (%) 25.3 -8.1 -13.9 8.4 -8.8 13.0 10.	9.3
Avg. Net Realn (INR/unit) 52,928 56,462 60,588 65,467 79,010 88,145 89,88	91,351
Growth (%) -5.1 6.7 7.3 8.1 20.7 11.6 2.	1.6
Net Revenues (INR B) 296 291 271 321 354 441 49	551
Growth (%) 19.7 -1.5 -6.8 18.4 10.0 24.7 12.	7 10.9
<b>EBITDA (INR B)</b> 52 51 49 51 65 89 10	l 112
EBITDA margins (%) 17.1 17.0 17.8 15.5 18.0 19.7 19.	3 19.9
EBITDA (INR/Unit) 10,345 11,042 12,405 11,877 16,674 20,034 20,52	20,927
Growth (%) 7.3 -1.9 -3.3 3.8 28.0 35.8 13.	5 11.4
Consol. PAT (INR B) 47 52 49 53 61 78 8	99
Consol. EPS 162 180 168 184 214 277 31	L 348

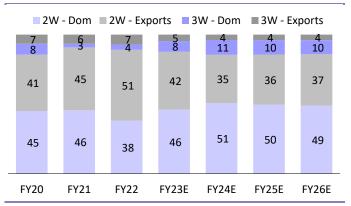
# **Story in charts**

**Exhibit 9: Trends in volume and volume growth** 



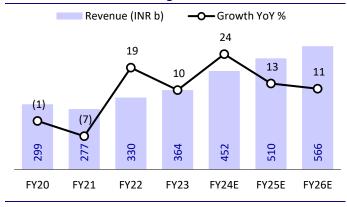
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**Exhibit 10: Product mix trend** 



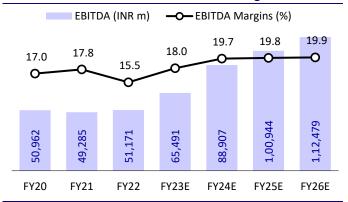
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**Exhibit 11: Trend in revenue growth** 



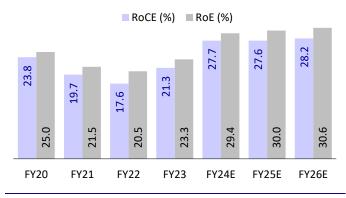
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**Exhibit 12: Trends in EBITDA and EBITDA margin** 



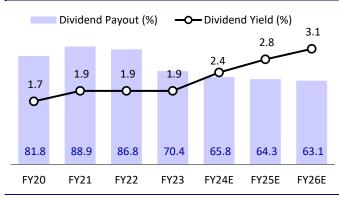
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**Exhibit 13: Trends in return ratios** 



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Exhibit 14: Dividend payout to remain healthy



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# **Financials and valuations**

Income Statement								(INR m)
Y/E March	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Volumes	50,19,503	46,15,212	39,72,914	43,08,433	39,27,857	44,37,848	49,19,082	53,74,902
Change (%)	25.3	-8.1	-13.9	8.4	-8.8	13.0	10.8	9.3
Net Sales	3,03,576	2,99,187	2,77,411	3,30,032	3,64,276	4,52,163	5,10,390	5,66,010
Change (%)	20.4	-1.4	-7.3	19.0	10.4	24.1	12.9	10.9
Total Expenditure	2,51,651	2,48,224	2,28,126	2,78,861	2,98,785	3,63,255	4,09,446	4,53,532
EBITDA	51,925	50,962	49,285	51,171	65,491	88,907	1,00,944	1,12,479
Change (%)	7.3	-1.9	-3.3	3.8	28.0	35.8	13.5	11.4
EBITDA Margins (%)	17.1	17.0	17.8	15.5	18.0	19.7	19.8	19.9
Depreciation	2,657	2,464	2,593	2,692	2,824	3,477	3,704	4,052
EBIT	49,268	48,498	46,692	48,480	62,667	85,430	97,240	1,08,427
Int. & Fin. Charges	45	32	67	87	395	420	440	450
Other Income	14,389	17,336	12,765	12,092	11,814	14,102	13,163	15,600
Non-recurring Exp.	-3,420	0	0	-4,568	0	0	0	0
PBT	67,032	65,802	59,390	65,054	74,086	99,112	1,09,962	1,23,577
Tax	20,280	14,802	13,844	14,865	17,810	23,903	27,026	30,330
Effective Rate (%)	30.3	22.5	23.3	22.8	24.0	24.1	24.6	24.5
PAT	46,752	51,000	45,546	50,189	56,276	75,209	82,936	93,247
Change (%)	14.9	9.1	-10.7	10.2	12.1	33.6	10.3	12.4
Share in profit of ass. & others	2,524	1,119	3,024	11,469	4,326	3,264	5,049	5,352
Adj. Consol PAT	46,891	52,119	48,570	53,122	60,602	78,473	87,986	98,599
Change (%)	10.6	11.1	(6.8)	9.4	14.1	29.5	12.1	12.1
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Balance Sheet								(INR m)
Y/E March	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Share Capital	2,894	2,894	2,894	2,894	2,830	2,830	2,830	2,830
Net Worth	2,17,799	1,99,255	2,52,023	2,66,688	2,54,259	2,79,950	3,06,294	3,37,289
Deferred Tax	5,427	3,464	5,221	4,033	3,452	5,434	7,633	10,105
Loans	1,685	1,669	1,601	1,588	1,576	1,576	1,576	1,576
Capital Employed	2,24,910	2,04,388	2,58,845	2,72,309	2,59,286	2,86,959	3,15,503	3,48,969
Gross Fixed Assets	42,956	41,573	43,443	46,312	55,045	60,864	66,864	72,864
Less: Depreciation	25,317	24,583	26,794	27,972	27,885	31,362	35,066	39,118
Net Fixed Assets	17,639	16,990	16,649	18,340	27,160	29,502	31,798	33,746
Capital WIP	480	602	160	768	819	1,000	1,000	1,000
Investments	1,91,594	1,81,960	2,26,310	2,38,188	2,29,233	2,29,233	2,29,233	2,29,233
Current Assets	64,091	48,181	72,183	61,923	54,064	95,091	1,30,078	1,69,945
Inventory	9,615	10,635	14,939	12,305	13,979	18,582	20,975	23,261
Sundry Debtors	25,597	17,251	27,169	15,164	17,761	24,776	27,967	31,014
Cash & Bank Balances	9,054	2,773	5,051	5,883	2,858	27,569	53,862	85,423
Loans & Advances	380	386	372	87	59	73	83	92
Others	19,445	17,136	24,653	28,484	19,408	24,090	27,192	30,156
Current Liab. & Prov.	48,894	43,345	56,457	46,910	51,991	67,867	76,607	84,955
Sundry Creditors	37,867	31,997	45,738	36,332	40,739	49,777	56,187	62,310
Other Liabilities	9,475	8,964	9,175	9,028	9,584	11,896	13,428	14,892
Provisions	1,552	2,385	1,544	1,551	1,668	6,194	6,992	7,754
Net Current Assets	15,197	4,836	15,727	15,013	2,073	27,224	53,472	84,990
Application of Funds	2,24,911	2,04,387	2,58,845	2,72,309	2,59,286	2,86,959	3,15,503	3,48,969

E: MOFSL Estimates

# **Financials and valuations**

Y/E March	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Basic (INR)								
Consol EPS	162.0	180.1	167.8	183.6	214.2	277.3	310.9	348.5
EPS growth (%)	10.6	11.1	-6.8	9.4	16.7	29.5	12.1	12.1
Consol Cash EPS	171.2	188.6	176.8	192.9	224.2	289.6	324.0	362.8
Book Value per Share	752.7	688.6	870.9	921.6	898.6	989.4	1,082.5	1,192.0
DPS	60.0	120.0	140.0	140.0	140.0	175.0	200.0	220.0
Payout (% of S/A PAT)	47.0	81.8	88.9	86.8	70.4	65.8	64.3	63.1
Valuation (x)								
P/E	44.5	40.0	43.0	39.3	33.7	26.0	23.2	20.7
Cash P/E	42.1	38.2	40.8	37.4	32.2	24.9	22.3	19.9
EV/EBITDA	36.4	37.4	37.7	36.0	27.6	20.1	17.4	15.4
EV/Sales	6.2	6.4	6.7	5.6	5.0	3.9	3.4	3.1
Price to Book Value	9.6	10.5	8.3	7.8	8.0	7.3	6.7	6.0
Dividend Yield (%)	0.8	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.4	2.8	3.1
Profitability Ratios (%)								
RoE	22.9	25.0	21.5	20.5	23.3	29.4	30.0	30.6
RoCE	21.1	23.8	19.7	17.6	21.3	27.7	27.6	28.2
RoIC	193	176	154	94	120	146	159	170
Turnover Ratios								
Debtors (Days)	31	21	36	17	18	20	20	20
Inventory (Days)	12	13	20	14	14	15	15	15
Creditors (Days)	46	39	60	40	41	40	40	40
Working Capital (Days)	-3	-5	-5	-10	-9	-5	-5	-5
Asset Turnover (x)	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.6
Fixed Asset Turnover	6.8	7.1	6.5	7.4	7.2	7.8	8.0	8.1

Cash Flow Statement								(INR m)
Y/E March	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Profit before Tax	67,032	65,802	59,390	65,053	74,086	99,112	1,09,962	1,23,577
Depreciation & Amort.	2,657	2,464	2,593	2,692	2,824	3,477	3,704	4,052
Direct Taxes Paid	-19,643	-16,777	-13,397	-17,015	-19,184	-21,921	-24,827	-27,859
(Inc)/Dec in Working Capital	-7,030	3,765	-5,105	6,006	7,230	-439	45	43
Other Items	-18061	-16635	-12339	-11480	-9,838	-13682	-12723	-15150
CF from Oper. Activity	24,954	38,620	31,142	45,255	55,119	66,548	76,162	84,663
Extra-ordinary Items	-58	-3	-4	-3,179	0	0	0	0
CF after EO Items	24,895	38,618	31,139	42,076	55,119	66,548	76,162	84,663
(Inc)/Dec in FA+CWIP	-1,082	-2,800	-2,509	-5,176	-8,064	-6,000	-6,000	-6,000
Free Cash Flow	23,814	35,818	28,630	36,900	47,055	60,548	70,162	78,663
(Pur)/Sale of Invest.	-1,629	20,367	-26,157	4,252	21,288	14,102	13,163	15,600
CF from Inv. Activity	-2,710	17,567	-28,665	-924	13,224	8,102	7,163	9,600
Inc. / Dec.in Networth	0	0	0	0	-30,939	0	0	0
Interest Paid	-35	-21	-108	-74	-380	-420	-440	-450
Dividends Paid	-20,733	-62,444	-87	-40,490	-40,470	-49,518	-56,592	-62,251
CF from Fin. Activity	-20,741	-62,465	-195	-40,563	-71,789	-49,938	-57,032	-62,701
Inc/(Dec) in Cash	1,444	-6,281	2,278	588	-3,446	24,712	26,292	31,561
Add: Beginning Bal.	7,609	9,054	2,773	5,051	5,640	2,194	26,906	53,198
Closing Balance	9,054	2,773	5,051	5,640	2,194	26,906	53,198	84,760

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