## **Ajanta Pharma**

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2QFY20 Result Update | November 6, 2019

CMP* (Rs)	1,004
Upside/ (Downside) (%)	13
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Market Cap. (Rs bn)	89
Free Float (%)	29
Shares O/S (mn)	88



Target Price: Rs1,130

### **Better-than-Expected Performance; Maintain BUY**

Ajanta Pharma (AJP) has delivered a higher-than-expected sales performance in 2QFY20 with its revenue growing by 18.1% YoY to Rs6.4bn led by growth in India, Asia and the US businesses. Domestic business grew by 13.4% YoY and 4.6% QoQ (vs. our estimate of 9% YoY) led by new product launches and volume growth. Its Africa, Asia and US business grew by 13%, 34%, and 39% YoY, respectively. Gross margin declined by 261bps QoQ to 74.1% due to strong growth in low-margin US and Africa-institutional business (+60% YoY), while gross profit grew by 6.3% YoY. Its EBITDA grew by just 6.9% YoY to Rs1.8bn owing to lower gross profit and higher employee cost, while EBITDA margin contracted by 291bps to 27.6% on high base. PAT declined by 6.3% YoY to Rs1.2bn on higher interest, depreciation and tax rate. Tax rate stood at 27.8% of PBT vs. 23.5% in 2QFY19 vs. 24.3% in 1QFY20. We maintain our BUY recommendation on the stock with a revised Target Price of Rs1,130 (from Rs1,200 earlier).

### **Key Result Highlights**

- ▶ **Domestic Biz (31% of Sales):** AJP's domestic business grew by 13.4% YoY and 4.6% QoQ owing to higher volume and new launches. As per IMS MAT Sept'19, AJP grew by 16% vs. IPM growth of 10%, while it also reported higher growth than IPM in four key therapeutic segments i.e. CVS (16% vs. 12% IPM growth), Ophthalmology (17% vs. 10% IPM growth), Dermatology (12% vs. 10% IPM growth) and Pain Management (20% vs. 11% IPM growth). AJP maintained its ranking in IPM at 31 in Sept'19 vs. 32 in Sept'18. Its MR headcount currently stands at >3,000 with 270+ product basket.
- ▶ Africa Biz (24% of Sales) & Asia Biz (28% Sales): AJP reported impressive sales growth in institutional anti-malaria sales on lower YoY base (+60% YoY vs. 50% YoY in 1QFY20), while branded Africa business declined by 10% YoY. Overall African sales grew by 13% YoY in 2QFY20 (vs. 32% YoY decline in FY19) owing to increase in supplies (government order). AJP's Asia business grew 34% YoY to Rs1.8bn. The Management maintained its guidance that Africa institutional sales to decline by 10-15% YoY in FY20E led by uncertainty over procurement and lower pricing. Overall, we expect Africa (branded) and Asia business to clock 10% and 12% CAGR over FY19-21E.

### **Outlook & Valuation**

Looking ahead, we expect AJP's domestic formulation business to clock 12.5% CAGR over FY19-21E led by new product launches, while Asia and US businesses are expected to record 12% and 27% CAGR, respectively. AJP has lowered it gross margin guidance to 75% (from 79% earlier) and EBITDA margin to 25% (from 27.0-27.5% earlier) on account of higher sales contribution from low-margin Africa and US business. At CMP, the stock trades at 23.1x and 18.7x of FY20E and FY21E earnings (1-Yr fwd 3-yr historical avg PE @27.1x). Hence, downwardly revising our PAT estimates by 9.8%/5.8% for FY20E/FY21E, we maintain our BUY recommendation on the stock with a revised Target Price of Rs1,130 (from Rs1,200 earlier), valuing it at 21x of FY21E EPS of Rs53.8.

Quarterly Performance (Rs mn)	2QFY20	2QFY19	YoY, %	1QFY20	QoQ, %
Revenue	6,428	5,441	18.1	6,119	5.0
EBIDTA	1,777	1,662	6.9	1,684	5.5
EBIDTA Margin (%)	27.6	30.5	(291)bps	27.5	12bps
EBIT	1,676	1,640	2.2	1,532	9.4
PBT	1,627	1,638	(0.7)	1,515	7.4
Tax	452	385	17.6	368	22.8
Adj. PAT	1,175	1,254	(6.3)	1,146	2.5
Adj EPS (Rs)	13.3	14.2	(6.3)	13.0	2.5

Source: Company, RSec Research

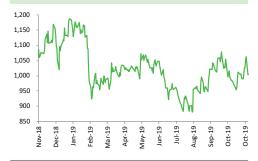
Share price (%)	1 mth	3 mth	12 mth
Absolute performance	1.8	4.7	(5.4)
Relative to Nifty	7.1	8.9	13.2

Shareholding Pattern (%)	Sep-19	Jun-19
Promoter	70.5	70.5
Public	29.5	29.5

<b>Key Financials</b>			
(Rs mn)	FY19	FY20E	FY21E
Sales	20,554	22,907	25,726
EBITDA	5,664	5,733	6,824
Adj. PAT	3,870	3,847	4,760
EPS (Rs)	43.8	43.5	53.8
P/E (x)	22.9	23.1	18.7
EV/Sales (x)	4.3	3.8	3.4
EV/EBITDA (x)	15.4	15.3	12.8
ROE (%)	17.2	15.0	16.1
ROCE (%)	22.6	20.0	21.0

Change of Estimates		
(% change)	FY20E	FY21E
Revenue	1.4	2.8
EBITDA	(8.1)	(5.3)
PAT	(9.8)	(5.8)

#### **1 Year Stock Price Performance**



Note: \* CMP as on Nov. 05, 2019

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### US sales (17% of sales)

US business rose by 39% YoY to Rs1.1bn (vs. our estimate of Rs1bn) due to lower YoY base and new launches. AJP expects US business to grow by 25-30% YoY in FY20 led by new launches. Cumulative ANDA filings stood at 53 as of 2QFY20-end, while 26 ANDAs are pending for approvals. The Company is expected to file 10-12 ANDAs with the US FDA in FY20E (FY19 filed ANDAs - 13). Notably, AJP has so far commercialised 27 ANDAs in the US.

### **Key Guidance**

The Management re-iterated its guidance on branded business (India, Africa and Asia: 72% of sales) to grow by 10-11% YoY in FY20E. It pegs gross margin at 75% (77% in 1QFY20; 74% in 2QFY20 and 81% in FY19) on account of higher sales contribution from low-margin US and Africa business. AJP also lowered its EBITDA margin guidance to 25% in FY20E (vs. earlier guidance of 27-27.5% in 1QFY20), while expecting 100-150bps improvement in FY21E.

#### **Risks to the View**

- ▶ Inordinate delay in US FDA approvals.
- ▶ Unfavourable currency fluctuations in the Emerging Markets.

**Exhibit 1: Segment-wise sales performance** 

(Rs mn)	2QFY20	2QFY19	YoY, %	1QFY20	QoQ, %
India	2,030	1,790	13.4	1,940	4.6
Emerging market	3,360	2,730	23.1	3,020	11.3
Africa	1,540	1,360	13.2	1,730	(11.0)
Asia	1,810	1,350	34.1	1,260	43.7
LatAm & others	10	20	(50.0)	30	(66.7)
US	1,110	800	38.8	1,020	8.8
Total Sales	6,500	5,320	22.2	5,980	8.7

Source: Company, RSec Research

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### **Exhibit 2: Quarterly Performance**

(Rs mn)	2QFY20	2QFY19	YoY, %	1QFY20	QoQ, %
Net Sales	6,428	5,441	18.1	6,119	5.0
Cost of Revenues	1,665	959	73.5	1,425	16.8
Gross Profit	4,763	4,482	6.3	4,694	1.5
% of net sales	74.1	82.4	-827 bps	76.7	-261 bps
Employee expenses	1,174	1,058	11.0	1,183	(0.8)
Other Expenses	1,812	1,762	2.8	1,827	(0.8)
Total operating expenses	4,651	3,779	23.1	4,436	4.9
EBITDA	1,777	1,662	6.9	1,684	5.5
EBITDA margin (%)	27.6	30.5	-291 bps	27.5	12 bps
Depreciation	233	175	33.2	228	2.3
Other Income	132	152	(13.3)	76	73.0
EBIT	1,676	1,640	2.2	1,532	9.4
Interest	49	1	3,692.3	18	175.4
PBT	1,627	1,638	(0.7)	1,515	7.4
Total tax	452	385	17.6	368	22.8
Tax Rate (%)	27.8	23.5	432 bps	24.3	348 bps
Adj PAT	1,175	1,254	(6.3)	1,146	2.5
Extra-ordinary items	10.7	-		-	
Reported PAT	1,164	1,254	(7.2)	1,146	1.5
Adj. EPS (Rs)	13.3	14.2	(6.3)	13.0	2.5

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### **Profit & Loss Statement**

Y/E March (Rs mn)	FY18	FY19	FY20E	FY21E
Net sales	21,309	20,554	22,907	25,726
% yoy change	6.5	-3.5	11.4	12.3
RM cost	4,064	3,835	5,727	6,300
Employee expenses	3,765	4,307	4,604	5,171
Other expenses	6,896	6,748	6,843	7,431
Total operating expenditure	14,725	14,889	17,174	18,902
EBIDTA	6,584	5,664	5,733	6,824
EBIDTA margin (%)	30.9	27.6	25.0	26.5
Depreciation	596	721	903	923
Other income	242	211	369	412
EBIT	6,230	5,154	5,199	6,313
Interest costs	4	12	70	50
PBT	6,226	5,143	5,129	6,263
Taxes	1,539	1,273	1,282	1,503
Tax rate (%)	24.7	24.8	25.0	24.0
Adjusted PAT	4,686	3,870	3,847	4,760
% yoy change	-7.5	-17.4	-0.6	23.7
Adjusted EPS (Rs)	53.0	43.8	43.5	53.8

### **Balance Sheet**

Balance Sneet				
Y/E March (Rs mn)	FY18	FY19	FY20E	FY21E
SOURCES OF FUNDS				
Equity Share Capital	177	175	175	175
Reserves & Surplus	20,237	22,277	25,493	29,472
Shareholders Funds	20,414	22,452	25,668	29,647
Total Loans	10	340	340	340
Other long term liabilities	-	3	3	3
Deferred tax liabilities	470	589	589	589
Total Liabilities	20,894	23,384	26,600	30,579
APPLICATION OF FUNDS				
Gross Block	14,172	16,103	18,803	20,153
Less: Acc. Depreciation	3,646	4,318	5,220	6,143
Net Block	10,527	11,786	13,583	14,010
Capital Work-in-Progress	613	2,613	2,913	3,063
Investments	76	130	130	130
Current Assets	12,236	11,812	12,809	15,836
Current invetsment	1,824	647	680	714
Inventories	3,506	4,357	4,505	5,334
Sundry Debtors	4,920	4,595	5,334	6,343
Cash and Bank	906	952	730	1,277
Bank Balance	25	54	54	54
Loans & Advances	1,055	1,208	1,506	2,114
Current liabilities	3,592	3,577	3,389	3,031
Net Current Assets	8,644	8,235	9,420	12,806
Net Deferred Tax	226	318	237	237
Other non-current assets	808	303	318	334
Total Assets	20,894	23,384	26,600	30,579

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### **Cash Flow Statement**

Y/E March (Rs mn)	FY18	FY19	FY20E	FY21E
Profit before tax	6,226	5,143	5,129	6,263
Depreciation	596	721	903	923
Interest provided	4	12	70	50
Change in Working Capital	(2,544)	(904)	(1,374)	(2,805)
Tax Paid	(1,396)	(1,182)	(1,282)	(1,503)
Others	(75)	(42)	82	-
Cash Flow from Operations	2,811	3,748	3,527	2,927
(Inc.)/ Dec. in Fixed Assets	(2,627)	(3,430)	(3,000)	(1,500)
(Inc.)/ Dec. in Investments	-	-	32	34
Others	66	1,202	(48)	(50)
Cash Flow from Investing	(2,561)	(2,228)	(3,048)	(1,550)
Issue of Equity	-	(1,010)	-	-
Inc./(Dec.) in loans	5	342	-	-
Dividend Paid (Incl. Tax)	(3)	(795)	(631)	(781)
Interest provided	(4)	(12)	(70)	(50)
Others	1	1	-	-
Cash Flow from Financing	(1)	(1,474)	(701)	(831)
Inc./(Dec.) in Cash	248	45	(222)	547
Opening Cash balances	658	906	952	730
Closing Cash balances	906	952	730	1,277

### **Key Ratios**

Y/E March	FY18	FY19	FY20E	FY21E
Valuation Ratio (x)				
P/E	18.9	22.9	23.1	18.7
P/CEPS	16.8	19.3	18.7	15.6
P/BV	4.4	4.0	3.5	3.0
Dividend yield (%)	0.0	0.9	0.7	0.9
EV/Sales	4.0	4.3	3.8	3.4
EV/EBITDA	13.1	15.4	15.3	12.8
Per Share Data (Rs)				
EPS	53.0	43.8	43.5	53.8
Cash EPS	59.7	51.9	53.7	64.2
DPS	0.0	9.0	7.1	8.8
Book Value (BV)	230.8	253.8	290.2	335.2
Returns (%)				
RoCE	30.5	22.6	20.0	21.0
RoE	23.0	17.2	15.0	16.1
Turnover ratios (x)				
Asset Turnover (Gross Block)	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.3
Asset Turnover (Net Block)	2.0	1.7	1.7	1.8
Inventory (days)	60	77	80	85
Receivables (days)	84	82	85	90
Payables (days)	43	40	38	30



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#### **Rating History**

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Date	Reco	CMP	TP
01-Aug-19	BUY	957	1,200
03-May-19	BUY	1,049	1,200
31-Jan-19	BUY	1,021	1,225
31-Oct-18	BUY	1,058	1,360
1-Aug-18	BUY	1,137	1,360
4-May-18	HOLD	1,261	1,337
29-Jan-18	BUY	1,447	1,860
1-Nov-17	BUY	1,209	1,500

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HOLD	-5% to 10%
REDUCE	>-5%

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