RESULT UPDATE

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| Summary table | | | | |
|---------------------|--------|------------|--------|--|
| (Rs mn) | FY17 | FY17 FY18E | | |
| Sales | 61,352 | 86,824 | 97,948 | |
| Growth (%) | 14.1 | 41.5 | 12.8 | |
| EBITDA | 8,241 | 10,106 | 12,645 | |
| EBITDA margin (%) | 13.4 | 11.6 | 12.9 | |
| PBT | 8265 | 9616 | 12185 | |
| Net profit | 5,968 | 7,020 | 8,895 | |
| EPS (Rs) | 9.6 | 11.2 | 14.3 | |
| Growth (%) | 17.6 | 17.6 | 26.7 | |
| CEPS (Rs) | 11.5 | 13.4 | 16.4 | |
| BV (Rs/share) | 46.9 | 52.2 | 59.0 | |
| DPS (Rs) | 3.5 | 4.5 | 5.5 | |
| ROE (%) | 29.0 | 28.1 | 28.8 | |
| ROCE (%) | 24.8 | 22.4 | 24.8 | |
| Net cash (debt) | 2,728 | 3,219 | 6,281 | |
| NW Capital (Days) | -54.2 | -55.4 | -55.6 | |
| EV/Sales (x) | 5.3 | 3.7 | 3.3 | |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 39.4 | 32.1 | 25.7 | |
| P/E (x) | 56.7 | 48.2 | 38.0 | |
| P/Cash Earnings (x) | 47.2 | 40.4 | 33.0 | |
| P/BV (x) | 11.6 | 10.4 | 9.2 | |

Source: Company, Kotak Securities – Private Client Research

HAVELLS INDIA LTD (HIL)

PRICE: Rs.542 RECOMMENDATION: SELL TARGET PRICE: Rs.442 FY19E PE: 38x

HIL reported Q2FY18 revenue in line with our estimate, however higher margins in Lloyd and cable division led to PAT higher than our estimate. Other divisions (comparable business, ex-Lloyd) reported muted YY revenue growth affected by lower primary sales due to GST implementation.

We tweak FY18/FY19 earnings estimate to factor in sluggish sales in key segments due to GST transition. Value HIL stock at 31x FY19 estimated earnings and maintain 'SELL' recommendation with revised price target of Rs 442 (Rs 460 earlier).

| Quarterly performance | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Standalone (Rs mn) | Q2FY18 | Q2FY172 | YoY (%) | Q1FY18 | QoQ (%) |
| Net Income | 17774 | 14522 | 22.4 | 18605 | (4.5) |
| Decrease/ (Increase) in stock | (962) | (650) | | 610 | |
| Raw Material consumed | 11214 | 9115 | 23.0 | 11355 | (1.2) |
| Employee expenses | 1617 | 1216 | 33.0 | 1619 | (0.1) |
| Forex fluctuation | 0 | (70) | | 0 | |
| Other expenses | 2827 | 2327 | 21.5 | 2562 | 10.3 |
| advertising expenses | 509 | 485 | 4.9 | 735 | |
| Total expenditure | 15205 | 12423 | 22.4 | 16881 | (9.9) |
| EBITDA | 2569 | 2099 | 22.4 | 1724 | 49.0 |
| Other income | 286.9 | 253.0 | 13.4 | 348.0 | (17.6) |
| Depreciation | 348.9 | 307.8 | 13.4 | 335.8 | 3.9 |
| EBIT | 2507 | 2045 | 22.6 | 1737 | 44.4 |
| Finance Cost | 67 | 19 | 253.7 | 34 | 97.6 |
| Exceptional items | 0.0 | | | 0.0 | |
| Adj.PBT | 2440 | 2026 | 20.4 | 1703 | 43.3 |
| Tax | 730 | 572 | 27.5 | 489 | 49.3 |
| Reported PAT | 1710 | 1453 | 17.7 | 1214 | 40.9 |
| Adjusted PAT | 1692 | 1453 | 16.4 | 1214 | 39.4 |
| Adj EPS | 2.7 | 2.3 | 17.7 | 1.9 | 40.9 |
| EBITDA (%) | 14.5 | 14.5 | | 9.3 | |
| PAT (%) | 9.5 | 10.0 | | 6.5 | |
| RM/Sales (x) | 57.7 | 58.3 | | 64.3 | |
| Tax Rate (%) | 29.9 | 28.2 | | 28.7 | |

Source: Company

Result highlights

Havells reported 22.4% YoY revenue growth at Rs 17.7 Bn in Q2FY18 driven by Lloyds business and cable division. Q2FY18 reported financials of HIL includes Lloyd electric numbers and therefore are not comparable on YoY basis (HIL acquired Lloyd electric in Q1FY18 for an EV of Rs 18 Bn). Adjusted for Lloyd sales, revenue growth remain low (low vis-à-vis HIL's average historical growth of 12-15 % YY) at 6.7% YY (adjusted for excise last year) due to muted performance across segments except cables & wires division. Management highlighted that primary sales continued to remain weak as channel partners are reluctant in re-stoking inventory post GST transition.

Operating margin stood at 14.5% in Q2FY18 driven mainly by cable division. Erstwhile Havells reported EBITDA margin at 13.5% against 14.5% in Q2FY17. Employee expense stood at Rs 1.6 Bn from Rs 1.2 Bn in Q2FY17 and Rs 1.6 Bn in Q1FY18 driven by 1) Lloyd acquisition and 2) inclusion of high cost resources in the strategy team of Havells India. Margin were also driven by 1/ certain one off benefit in the cable division 2/ withdrawal of few dealer incentives introduced in last two quarters.

Consumer division reported mere 1.3% YY revenue growth at Rs 3.2 Bn in the quarter on weak primarily sales (transition impact of GST). Management highlighted that the sales continues to remain weak and expect sluggish Q3 as well. Festive season has also remained sluggish for the company. Consumer durable segment contribution margin expanded to 27.8% against 23.6% in Q2FY17.

Cable and wire division reported 9.6% YoY revenue de-growth at Rs 5.6 Bn in Q2FY18 led by 13-14% YoY volume de-growth in cables and 5% YY de-growth in wires. Cable division contribution margin at 19.9% got enhanced due to favourable commodity price and product mix towards domestic cables (domestic cables constitutes 54% of division sales against 50% in Q2FY17). Lighting division reported 28% YY revenue growth at Rs 2.8 Bn in the quarter, driven by LED lighting. LED lighting grew 38% YY and conventional lighting now constitutes nearly 18% of lighting sales.

Switchgear division reported 8.9 % YY revenue de-growth at Rs 3.3 Bn affected by sluggish growth in housing segment. Inventory re-stocking has not been robust post GST transition. Contribution margins stood at 41.3% in the segment vis-à-vis 39.9% in Q2FY17.

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| | Q2FY18 | Q2FY172 | YoY (%) | Q1FY18 | QoQ (%) |
|-------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Standalone Revenues (Rs mn) | | | | | |
| Switchgear | 3299 | 3624 | -9.0 | 3557 | (7.3) |
| Cable and Wires | 5693 | 6303 | -9.7 | 7196 | (20.9) |
| Lighting and fixtures – India | 2868 | 2233 | 28.4 | 2176 | 31.8 |
| Electrical consumer durables | 3216 | 3175 | 1.3 | 3676 | (12.5) |
| Lloyd | 2698 | | | 2672 | |
| | | | | | |
| PBIT (Rs mn) | | | | | |
| Switchgear | 1363 | 1445 | -5.7 | 1307 | 4.3 |
| Cable and Wires | 1133 | 793 | 43.0 | 859 | 31.9 |
| Lighting and fixtures - India | 775 | 567 | 36.6 | 766 | 1.2 |
| Electrical consumer durables | 894 | 821 | 9.0 | 816 | 9.5 |
| Lloyd | 527 | na | | 394 | |
| | | | | | |
| PBIT (%) | | | | | |
| Switchgear | 41.3 | 39.9 | | 36.7 | |
| Cable and Wires | 19.9 | 12.6 | | 11.9 | |
| Lighting and fixtures - India | 27.0 | 25.4 | | 35.2 | |
| Electrical consumer durables | 27.8 | 25.8 | | 22.2 | |
| Lloyd | 19.5 | na | | 14.7 | |

Source: Company

Other Highlights

- Management expects employee expense to peak out at current level. We note that the company has continuously inducted high cost resources in its strategy team to drive future growth.
- Integration of Lloyd into Havells has been smooth. Management expects that Lloyd business/margin should increase from current 6-7% levels to 11-12% going ahead.
- Havells inorganic growth initiatives would be motivated by gaining 1) technology (new products) 2) market share and 3) geographical reach (mainly domestic). In domestic market, company is averse of making a large ticket size acquisition.

■ Havells reported increase in payable to 89 days from 48 days in 1HFY17. This is led by higher payable days at Lloyd (75 days) due to higher credit given by Chinese manufacturers.

Valuation and Recommendation

At current price of Rs.542, HIL stock is trading at 38x P/E and 25.7x EV/EBITDA on FY19E earnings.

We maintain SELL on Havells India Ltd with a price target of Rs.442 We tweak FY18/FY19 earnings estimate to factor in sluggish sales in key segments due to GST transition. Value HIL stock at 31x FY19 estimated earnings and maintain 'SELL' recommendation with revised price target of Rs 442 (Rs 460 earlier).

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