Castrol India

Accumulate



Volumes lower than estimates, Higher realizations negate increase in input cost; Maintain Accumulate

CSTRL's Q1CY19 volumes were marginally below our estimates at 50.4 TKL. Revenue increased 5% YoY and decreased by 5.5% QoQ, due to growth in the personal mobility segment, focus on channels, and new premium products. Gross spreads rose by 2% on a sequential basis. We expect spreads to remain stable/expand going forward, as CIL has already hiked prices in Q1CY19. CSTRL's management is pessimistic about its performance in H1CY19, due to the slowdown in economic activities. However, it is confident of outperforming the industry growth rate of 3% -4% on a full year basis. Volume growth with spreads performance will be the key monitorable. Given significant under performance of the stock price for a prolonged period, CSTRL business performance in the next two quarters will be crucial for the long term stock outlook. We maintain Accumulate, with a target price of ₹ 174, to trade at 20x CY20 EPS.

Volume growth – key monitorable

CSTRL reported a volume de-growth of 2% QoQ and 6.7% YoY. The personal mobility segment grew, whereas the commercial and industrial segment de-grew, which was in line with the industry. The industry de-grew 9%. Given the revival in the commercial space and the agriculture market, and increase in new product launches and product mix in the personal mobility segment, CSTRL is likely to outperform and grow at a CAGR of 5% for CY18-CY20.

Expanding reach with brand thrust – key to profitability

CSTRL has been expanding distribution aggressively to increase its touch points. The company is also investing in brands and retail distribution. The brand strength of CSTRL has created a strong product recall. The brand power also ensures premium pricing − key to profitability. We expect CSTRL to maintain its investments in the distribution chain and advertising to get "profitable volume growth". In Q1CY19, it spent an additional ₹ 200 mn in installation of dealer signage and retail shops signage.

Q1CY19 Result (₹ Mn)

| Particulars | Q1CY19 | Q1CY18 | YoY (%) | Q4CY18 | QoQ (%) |
|-------------------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------|
| Revenue | 9,762 | 9,271 | 5.3 | 10,334 | (5.5) |
| Total Expense | 6,932 | 6,528 | 6.2 | 7,160 | (3.2) |
| EBITDA | 2,830 | 2,743 | 3.2 | 3,174 | (10.8) |
| Depreciation | 162 | 143 | 13.3 | 146 | 11.0 |
| EBIT | 2,668 | 2,600 | 2.6 | 3,028 | (11.9) |
| Other Income | 211 | 228 | (7.5) | 256 | (17.6) |
| Interest | 3 | 7 | (57.1) | 3 | 0.0 |
| EBT | 2,876 | 2,821 | 2.6 | 3,281 | (12.3) |
| Tax | 1,026 | 1,003 | 2.3 | 1,162 | (11.7) |
| RPAT | 1,850 | 1,818 | 1.8 | 2,119 | (12.7) |
| APAT | 1,850 | 1,818 | 1.8 | 2,119 | (12.7) |
| | | | (bps) | | (bps) |
| Gross Margin (%) | 53.2 | 53.7 | (47) | 52.9 | 31 |
| EBITDA Margin (%) | 29.0 | 29.6 | (60) | 30.7 | (172) |
| NPM (%) | 19.0 | 19.6 | (66) | 20.5 | (155) |
| Tax Rate (%) | 35.7 | 35.6 | 12 | 35.4 | 26 |
| EBIT Margin (%) | 27.3 | 28.0 | (71) | 29.3 | (197) |

| CMP | ₹ 154 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Target / Upside | ₹ 174 / 13% |
| BSE Sensex | 39,067 |
| NSE Nifty | 11,748 |
| Scrip Details | |
| Equity / FV | ₹ 4,946mn / ₹ 5 |
| Market Cap | ₹ 152bn |
| | US\$ 2bn |
| 52-week High/Low | ₹ 203/₹ 135 |
| Avg. Volume (no) | 16,89,710 |
| NSE Symbol | CASTROLIND |
| Bloomberg Code | CSTRL IN |
| Shareholding Patter | rn Mar'19(%) |
| Promoters | 51.0 |
| MF/Banks/FIs | 17.3 |
| FIIs | 11.8 |
| Public / Others | 19.9 |

Valuation (x)

| | CY18A | CY19E | CY20E |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| P/E | 21.5 | 19.3 | 17.7 |
| EV/EBITDA | 13.5 | 11.9 | 10.8 |
| ROE (%) | 64.8 | 66.6 | 72.0 |
| RoACE (%) | 105.9 | 107.5 | 116.2 |

Estimates (₹ mn)

| | CY18A | CY19E | CY20E |
|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| Revenue | 39,046 | 41,152 | 44,938 |
| EBITDA | 10,708 | 11,975 | 13,212 |
| PAT | 7,084 | 7,878 | 8,624 |
| EPS (₹) | 7.2 | 8.0 | 8.7 |

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New product launches drive growth

CSTRL is adding new products, with improved formulations and performance across categories. The company has refreshed its portfolio of Castol Activ and added two new variants for enhanced biker experience. CSTRL is increasing the proportion of the synthetic and semi synthetic lubricants in the product basket to tap opportunity of BSVI complaint vehicles.

Capacity expansion at Silvassa

CSTRL plans to invest ₹ 1,400 mn in two years to expand capacity at Silvassa. The first phase of Silvassa plant has commenced operations, which is likely to be a long term positive for CSTRL's growth. This plant will help to upgrade technology, debottleneck for smaller packs, and expand capacity. Considering cash on books of ₹ 8,000 as on 31st March 2019, capex will be easily funded through internal accruals.

Exhibit 1: KPI's

| | Q1CY19 | Q4CY18 | QoQ (%) | Q1CY18 | YoY (%) | CY18 |
|----------------------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------|-------|
| Volumes (in '000 KL) | 50.4 | 54.0 | (6.7) | 51.5 | (2.1) | 213.5 |
| Realization (₹ / L) | 193.7 | 191.4 | 1.2 | 180.0 | 7.6 | 182.9 |
| Cost (₹ / L) | 90.6 | 90.1 | 0.5 | 83.4 | 8.7 | 89.3 |
| Spread (₹ / L) | 103.1 | 101.2 | 1.8 | 96.6 | 6.7 | 93.6 |
| EBIDTA (₹ / L) | 56.2 | 58.8 | (4.5) | 53.3 | 5.4 | 50.2 |
| PAT (₹ / L) | 36.7 | 39.2 | (6.5) | 35.3 | 4.0 | 33.2 |

Source: Company, DART

Valuation

Volumes are expected to improve post H1CY19, driven by personal mobility. CSTRL will be able to maintain its market share, and we expect this to be driven by expanding distribution reach and an increase in product offerings. At CMP, CIL trades at 19.3x CY19E and 17.7x CY20E earnings.

With the continued fading of valuations across the markets, we have lowered our earnings multiple to factor in the overall risk. At CMP, CSTRL is factoring most of the negatives. We maintain an Accumulate rating, with TP of ₹ 174, valuing at 20x CY20 earnings.

Q1CY19 Results

- The top line in Q1CY19 increased by 5% on a YoY basis to ₹ 9,762mn, but decreased 5.5% on a QoQ basis.
- Volumes at 50.4 TKL, was a decline of 6.7% on a QoQ basis.
- Raw material as a % of sales was 46.8% in Q1CY19, as compared to 47.1% in Q4CY18, and 46.3% in Q1CY18.
- EBIDTA has increased by 3.2% on a YoY to ₹ 2,830mn, but fell 10.8% QoQ.
- Operating margins were at 29%, a decline of 172 bps QoQ and 59.7 bps YoY.
- Net profit increased by 1.8% on a YoY basis and decreased by 12.7% on a sequential basis to ₹ 1,850 mn.





Conference Call KTA's

CSTRL growth

- Topline improvement of 5% YoY was contributed by the growth in personal mobility space, focus channels, and new premium products.
- Through careful cost control initiatives, well managed working capital, new product launches, strategic sourcing, and holding on to product mix, the company has been able to protect margins QoQ.
- Personal mobility continued to be a key growth driver, with growth in power brands and synthetics. The company gained market share in personal mobility.
- The commercial and industrial segments degrew, which was in line with the market. The personal mobility, which includes cars and bikes, increased continuously, and grew in a single digit, whereas CVO and industrial de grew in a single digit.

Market growth

 Overall the lubricant market de grew 9% in Jan-Feb and it de-grew 5% in the preceding quarter. In the last six months, the lubricant market de-grew. CSTRL de-grew 2% in Jan-Feb.

New product launches and tie ups

- In Q1CY19, Castrol Activ range of two wheeler engine oils portfolio was refreshed with formulation changes and two new variants were also launched, in line with changing needs of bikers and providing 3X protection across all stages of riding.
- Last quarter, CSTRL tied up with Mahindra and Mahindra, and this quarter signed strategic agreement with Ford India, including supply of engine and transmission oils to their dealerships in India, and working jointly to develop and co-engineer products to further enhance performance efficiency of Ford vehicles.
- CSTRL has invested strongly in brands and retail distribution.
- In difficult times, CSTRL provided extra credit support to the dealers and distributors, which they pulled back this quarter.

Other expenses

- Operating expenses were higher QoQ, due to CSTRL's investments in brand and increase in salaries which raised employee cost. Also, there was more feet on the street in terms of distribution strength, inflation in selling and distribution expenses, and increase volumes in OEM (meant more payment to pay joint royalty, which is a positive), altogether increased the other expenses.
- Advertisement expenses were 3%-4% of turnover.
- The management reviews the prices every month.

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Raw material pricing

- Base oil prices are trending up in last 4-5 quarters. There was a slight decline in Q1CY19. There was also a lag effect seen in Q1CY19. Additives prices have also gone up significantly in the past year. Forex has declined 9% YoY. All of these have contributed to an increase in input cost.
- If crude oil rises above \$70/bbl then there may be an increase in base oil prices.

Threat of electric vehicles

- Electric vehicle threat will not be seen in in the near term. The 3W, 2W and city buses will be converted to EV. There will be an opportunity for CSTRL to supply coolants, greases, transmission fluids.
- The commercial and industrial segment will still continue to use lubricants.
 Also, passenger car transition is delayed due to a huge investment involved.
- There is no threat from EV as growth will come from passenger car, commercial, industrial segment, and 2 wheeler segment for the next 10 years.
- CSTRL has also made use of opportunity of BS VI conversion. In the last 18 months, it introduced synthetic oils to be used in BS VI compliant vehicles.

Capex

- Last quarter, the company announced a capex of ₹ 1,400 mn for the Silvassa plant expansion, which will take place over two years.
- In current quarter, it added ₹ 200 Mn capex for installation of signages, which can be capitalised and will depreciate over three years. The signages are dealer signages and retail shops which hold CSTRL signage.

Factors driving long-term growth for CSTRL

- First Phase of Silvassa plant has started operations, which shows the management's confidence of long-term growth in India.
- The commercial activity revival will be a long-term positive for the company.
- The agri-market is also under pressure. Rural uptick is not happening. All these are putting pressure on volumes.
- The gross margins are expected to be in the range of ₹ 90/L-₹ 100/L, due to an increase in product mix.
- About 90 mn new vehicles are expected to be added in next five years.

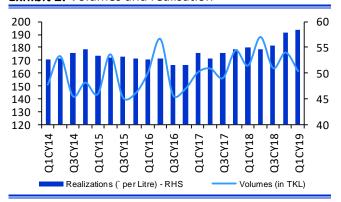
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 Q1CY19 has been a bad quarter, Q2CY19 is expected to be better than Q1, due the agricultural season. From Q3CY19 onwards, the management sees a positive impact. The management is pessimistic for H1CY19, but expects to be CY19 to be good.



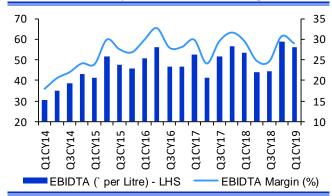


Exhibit 2: Volumes and realisation



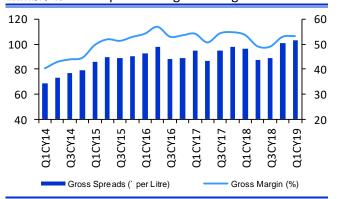
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Exhibit 3: EBIDTA spread and EBIDTA margin



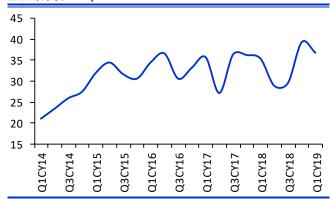
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Exhibit 4: Gross spread and gross margin



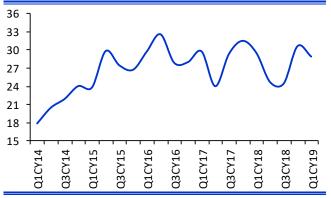
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Exhibit 5: PAT/L



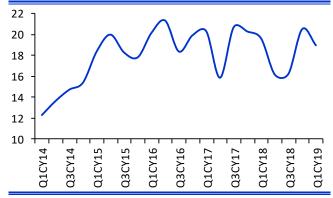
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Exhibit 6: OPM %



Source: Company, DART

Exhibit 7: NPM %



Source: Company, DART

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| Profit | and | Loss | Account |
|--------|-----|------|---------|
| | | | |

| (₹ Mn) | CY17A | CY18A | CY19E | CY20E |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Revenue | 35,844 | 39,046 | 41,152 | 44,938 |
| Total Expense | 25,512 | 28,338 | 29,177 | 31,726 |
| COGS | 16,659 | 19,066 | 19,342 | 21,121 |
| Employees Cost | 1,956 | 2,034 | 2,140 | 2,382 |
| Other expenses | 6,897 | 7,238 | 7,695 | 8,224 |
| EBIDTA | 10,331 | 10,708 | 11,975 | 13,212 |
| Depreciation | 455 | 556 | 639 | 728 |
| EBIT | 9,876 | 10,152 | 11,336 | 12,484 |
| Interest | 12 | 11 | 16 | 16 |
| Other Income | 837 | 843 | 800 | 800 |
| Exc. / E.O. items | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| EBT | 10,701 | 10,984 | 12,120 | 13,268 |
| Tax | 3,783 | 3,901 | 4,242 | 4,644 |
| RPAT | 6,918 | 7,084 | 7,878 | 8,624 |
| Minority Interest | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Profit/Loss share of associates | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| APAT | 6,918 | 7,084 | 7,878 | 8,624 |

Balance Sheet

| (₹ Mn) | CY17A | CY18A | CY19E | CY20E |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Sources of Funds | | | | |
| Equity Capital | 4,946 | 4,946 | 4,946 | 4,946 |
| Minority Interest | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Reserves & Surplus | 5,256 | 6,711 | 7,067 | 7,013 |
| Net Worth | 10,202 | 11,657 | 12,013 | 11,958 |
| Total Debt | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Net Deferred Tax Liability | (552) | (533) | (551) | (551) |
| Total Capital Employed | 9,650 | 11,124 | 11,462 | 11,407 |

Applications of Funds

| Net Block | 1,390 | 1,860 | 2,471 | 2,993 |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| CWIP | 573 | 350 | 250 | 250 |
| Investments | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Current Assets, Loans & Advances | 17,256 | 18,325 | 20,173 | 20,438 |
| Inventories | 3,196 | 4,568 | 4,284 | 4,678 |
| Receivables | 2,850 | 3,918 | 3,382 | 3,694 |
| Cash and Bank Balances | 7,842 | 7,439 | 10,290 | 10,016 |
| Loans and Advances | 2,400 | 1,259 | 1,133 | 1,019 |
| Other Current Assets | 968 | 1,142 | 1,084 | 1,030 |
| Less: Current Liabilities & Provisions | 9,568 | 9,411 | 11,433 | 12,274 |
| Payables | 6,066 | 5,840 | 7,419 | 8,101 |
| Other Current Liabilities | 3,502 | 3,571 | 4,014 | 4,173 |
| Net Current Assets | 7,688 | 8,913 | 8,741 | 8,164 |
| Total Assets | 9,650 | 11,124 | 11,462 | 11,407 |

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E – Estimates





| Important Ratios | | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Particulars | CY17A | CY18A | CY19E | CY20E |
| (A) Margins (%) | | | | |
| Gross Profit Margin | 53.5 | 51.2 | 53.0 | 53.0 |
| EBIDTA Margin | 28.8 | 27.4 | 29.1 | 29.4 |
| EBIT Margin | 27.6 | 26.0 | 27.5 | 27.8 |
| Tax rate | 35.3 | 35.5 | 35.0 | 35.0 |
| Net Profit Margin | 19.3 | 18.1 | 19.1 | 19.2 |
| (B) As Percentage of Net Sales (%) | | | | |
| COGS | 46.5 | 48.8 | 47.0 | 47.0 |
| Employee | 5.5 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.3 |
| Other | 19.2 | 18.5 | 18.7 | 18.3 |
| | 19.2 | 16.5 | 10.7 | 10.5 |
| (C) Measure of Financial Status | | | | 0.0 |
| Gross Debt / Equity | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Interest Coverage | 823.0 | 931.4 | 708.5 | 780.2 |
| Inventory days | 33 | 43 | 38 | 38 |
| Debtors days | 29 | 37 | 30 | 30 |
| Average Cost of Debt | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Payable days | 62 | 55 | 66 | 66 |
| Working Capital days | 78 | 83 | 78 | 66 |
| FA T/O | 25.8 | 21.0 | 16.7 | 15.0 |
| (D) Measures of Investment | | | | |
| AEPS (₹) | 7.0 | 7.2 | 8.0 | 8.7 |
| CEPS (₹) | 7.5 | 7.7 | 8.6 | 9.5 |
| DPS (₹) | 7.0 | 5.0 | 6.5 | 7.5 |
| Dividend Payout (%) | 100.1 | 69.8 | 81.6 | 86.0 |
| BVPS (₹) | 10.3 | 11.8 | 12.1 | 12.1 |
| RoANW (%) | 69.1 | 64.8 | 66.6 | 72.0 |
| RoACE (%) | 114.0 | 105.9 | 107.5 | 116.2 |
| RoAIC (%) | 722.9 | 369.6 | 466.7 | 973.9 |
| (E) Valuation Ratios | | | | |
| CMP (₹) | 154 | 154 | 154 | 154 |
| P/E | 22.0 | 21.5 | 19.3 | 17.7 |
| Mcap (₹ Mn) | 1,52,324 | 1,52,324 | 1,52,324 | 1,52,324 |
| MCap/ Sales | 4.2 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 3.4 |
| EV | 1,44,482 | 1,44,886 | 1,42,035 | 1,42,308 |
| EV/Sales | 4.0 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 3.2 |
| EV/EBITDA | 14.0 | 13.5 | 11.9 | 10.8 |
| P/BV | 14.9 | 13.1 | 12.7 | 12.7 |
| Dividend Yield (%) | 4.5 | 3.2 | 4.2 | 4.9 |
| (F) Growth Rate (%) | | | | |
| Revenue | 6.4 | 8.9 | 5.4 | 9.2 |
| EBITDA | 3.4 | 3.6 | 11.8 | 10.3 |
| EBIT | 3.5 | 2.8 | 11.7 | 10.1 |
| PBT | 2.9 | 2.6 | 10.3 | 9.5 |
| APAT | 3.2 | 2.4 | 11.2 | 9.5 |
| EPS | 3.2 | 2.4 | 11.2 | 9.5 |
| | | | | |
| Cash Flow | | | | |
| (₹ Mn) | CY17A | CY18A | CY19E | CY20E |
| CFO | 6,093 | 5,495 | 11,738 | 9,671 |
| CFI | 1,514 | 661 | 3,452 | (1,250) |
| CFF | (6,567) | (5,674) | (7,538) | (8,695) |
| FCFF | 5,738 | 4,715 | 10,588 | 8,421 |
| Opening Cash | 1,116 | 2,155 | 2,637 | 10,290 |
| | | | | |
| Closing Cash | 2,155 | 2,637 | 10,290 | 10,016 |



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DART RATING MATRIX

Total Return Expectation (12 Months)

| Buy | > 20% |
|------------|-----------|
| Accumulate | 10 to 20% |
| Reduce | 0 to 10% |
| Sell | < 0% |

Rating and Target Price History



| Month | Rating | TP (₹) | Price (₹) |
|--------|------------|--------|-----------|
| Nov-17 | Accumulate | 224 | 202 |
| Feb-18 | Accumulate | 215 | 184 |
| Apr-18 | Accumulate | 226 | 205 |
| May-18 | Buy | 232 | 195 |
| Aug-18 | Buy | 207 | 174 |
| Nov-18 | Accumulate | 161 | 144 |
| Jan-19 | Accumulate | 177 | 159 |
| Apr-19 | Accumulate | 176 | 155 |
| | | | |

^{*}Price as on recommendation date

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