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Q2FY20 Result Update

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Change in Estimates

	Current		Previous	
	FY20E	FY21E	FY20E	FY21E
Rating	ACCUMULATE		ACCUMULATE	
Target Price	1,855		1,640	
Sales (Rs. m)	214,801	245,671	219,891	251,507
% Chng.	(2.3)	(2.3)		
EBITDA (Rs. m)	43,823	51,036	44,872	52,492
% Chng.	(2.3)	(2.8)		
EPS (Rs.)	31.2	35.5	29.0	35.0
% Chng.	7.6	1.2		

Key Financials - Consolidated

Y/e Mar	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Sales (Rs. m)	193,415	214,801	245,671	280,012
EBITDA (Rs. m)	35,245	43,823	51,036	58,063
Margin (%)	18.2	20.4	20.8	20.7
PAT (Rs. m)	21,502	29,901	34,023	39,542
EPS (Rs.)	22.4	31.2	35.5	41.2
Gr. (%)	8.9	39.1	13.8	16.2
DPS (Rs.)	8.9	11.9	14.5	16.6
Yield (%)	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.9
RoE (%)	24.0	28.7	27.9	28.1
RoCE (%)	32.4	32.7	33.8	33.9
EV/Sales (x)	8.7	7.8	6.8	5.9
EV/EBITDA (x)	47.8	38.4	32.7	28.5
PE (x)	78.8	56.7	49.8	42.9
P/BV (x)	17.8	15.0	13.0	11.2

Key Data

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52-W High / Low	Rs.1,825 / Rs.1,118
Sensex / Nifty	39,059 / 11,604
Market Cap	Rs.1,695bn / \$ 23,891m
Shares Outstanding	959m
3M Avg. Daily Value	Rs.5367.46m

Shareholding Pattern (%)

Promoter's	52.79
Foreign	16.95
Domestic Institution	8.65
Public & Others	21.61
Promoter Pledge (Rs bn)	107.03

Stock Performance (%)

	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	(2.0)	23.5	55.2
Relative	(1.9)	21.9	34.5

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Economy segment drives volumes

APNT has reported 7th consecutive quarter of double digit volume growth (~16%) led by migration from unorganized players in entry level distempers and emulsions (launch of Tractor Emulsion Spark and ACE Spark) and Putty segment. Although near term demand conditions are challenging due to 1) prolonged monsoons 2) slower growth of premium paints in metros and Tier-I cities and 3) Slowdown in auto, construction and real estate sector. We remain positive in the structural growth story due to 1) product portfolio straddling across price points 2) huge scope in entry level paints given deep distribution (2x nearest competitor) and 3) lower share of Automotive/Industrial paints (5% of Consol sales) which faces near term headwinds.

Although APNT has taken 0.8% price cuts in 1H, Soft crude prices would enable maintain margins. We increase our EPS estimates of FY20-21 by 7.6-1.2% as we incorporate one-time deferred tax re-measurement and estimate 23% Adj. PAT CAGR over FY19-22 and 15% PAT CAGR over FY20-22. We value the stock at 45x FY22 EPS of 41.2 and arrive at a target price of 1855 (Earlier Rs1640 at 45x June21 EPS). Retain Accumulate

Concall Takeaways: 1) Economy range has been doing better than the premium end due to shift from unorganised to organised sector. 2H would have a better sales mix than 1H. 2) Prolonged monsoons before Diwali and flooding in western, central and eastern regions has led to shortening of painting cycle. 3) Material prices has been benign and is expected to remain range-bound. APNT has again taken 2 rounds of price cuts totaling to 0.4%. Price cuts were only in solvent based paints. 4) Metro and Tier I towns have slowed down while Tier II, III & IV cities are doing well. 5) Adhesive range has grown well; Sleek and ESS has faced challenges due to slowdown in real estate and construction while Bath business grew well led by newly launched sanitary ware. 6) Capex for FY20 shall be ~Rs7bn of which Rs3-3.5bn would be for the 2 new plants and rest being maintenance capex. (1H capex was Rs2bn). Capex for FY21 would be only maintenance capex 7) Launched Tractor emulsions spark and ACE spark in the economy segment 8) Putti industry size is Rs50-60bn while Distemper industry size is Rs120-150bn 9) Challenges in Egypt and Sri Lanka continue. Indonesia performance was slower than expected.

Consolidated: Domestic Decorative Volumes at high double digits; Automotive and Industrial coatings witnessed severe slowdown. Consol sales increased 9.4% to Rs 50.5bn, Gross margins expanded by 260bps on benign raw material. EBITDA increased 13% to Rs9.5bn on 60bps margins expansion as staff costs and other expenses increased by 40bps and 160bps respectively. Adj. PAT increased 70.1% to Rs 8.2bn on only 0.9% tax rate and 62.1% increase in other income on higher treasury income despite increase in depreciation by 37.3%. **Standalone** sales increased 9.3% to Rs 42.78bn, Gross margins and EBITDA margins expanded by 257bps and 60bps respectively. Adj. PAT up 64.5% to Rs7.93bn. Imputed subsidiary sales increased 10.2%, EBITDA increased 10.5%. IBD performed better QoQ led by improvement in Nepal and Egypt. **Home improvement** business of Sleek and ESS reported 18.6% increase in sales due to slowdown in real estate and construction space.

Exhibit 1: Q2FY20 Results- Consolidated (Rs m): Comparable PBT increased 13.1% with 60bp margin expansion

Y/e March	2QFY20	2QFY19	YoY gr. (%)	1QFY20	1HFY20	1HFY19	YoY gr. (%)
Net Sales	50,507	46,155	9.4	51,306	1,01,554	89,856	13.0
Gross Profit	21,435	18,403	16.5	22,337	43,716	37,315	17.2
% of NS	42.4	39.9	2.6	43.5	43.0	41.5	1.5
Other Expenses	11,886	9,956	19.4	10,774	22,587	19,568	15.4
% of NS	23.5	21.6		21.0	22.2	21.8	
EBITDA	9,548	8,447	13.0	11,563	21,129	17,747	19.1
Margins (%)	18.9	18.3	0.6	22.5	20.8	19.8	
Depreciation	1,972	1,436	37.3	1,926	3,889	2,786	39.6
Interest	259	257	0.8	268	526	466	12.9
Other Income	1,052	649	62.1	736	1,787	1,265	41.2
PBT	8,369	7,402	13.1	10,104	18,501	15,760	17.4
Tax	72	2,425	-97.0	3,505	3,583	5,189	-30.9
Tax rate %	0.9	32.8		34.7	19.4	32.9	
Adjusted PAT	8,201	4,821	70.1	6,554	14,767	10,295	43.4

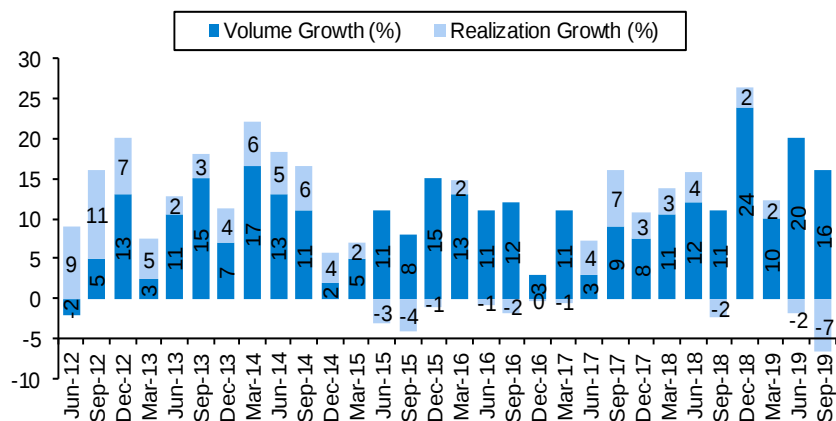
Source: Company Data, PL Research

Exhibit 2: Q2FY20 Results - Standalone (Rs m): Comparable PBT increased 12% with 60bps EBITDA margin expansion

Y/e March	2QFY20	2QFY19	YoY gr. (%)	1QFY20	1HFY20	1HFY19	YoY gr. (%)
Net Sales	42,780	39,142	9.3	43,802	86,582	76,204	13.6
Gross Profit	18,557	15,973	16.2	19,622	38,179	32,510	17.4
% of NS	43.4	40.8	2.6	44.8	44.1	42.7	
Other Expenses	9,823	8,200	19.8	8,723	18,546	16,031	15.7
% of NS	23.0	20.9		19.9	21.4	21.0	
EBITDA	8,735	7,773	12.4	10,899	19,633	16,479	19.1
Margins (%)	20.4	19.9	0.6	24.9	22.7	21.6	
Depreciation	1,743	1,234	41.3	1,698	3,441	2,392	43.9
Interest	202	189	7.3	193	395	344	14.7
Other Income	1,141	732	55.9	855	1,996	1,421	40.5
PBT	7,930	7,083	12.0	9,863	17,794	15,164	17.3
Tax	25	2,276	-98.9	3,339	3,364	4,941	-31.9
Tax rate %	0.3	32.1		33.8	18.9	32.6	
Adjusted PAT	7,905	4,806	64.5	6,525	14,430	10,223	41.2

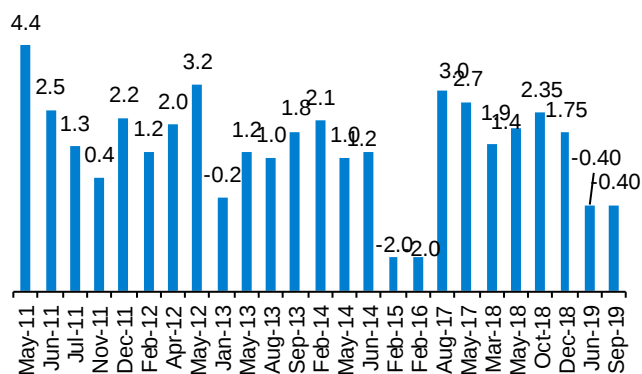
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Exhibit 3: Strong Volume growth at ~16% continues in 2Q as well



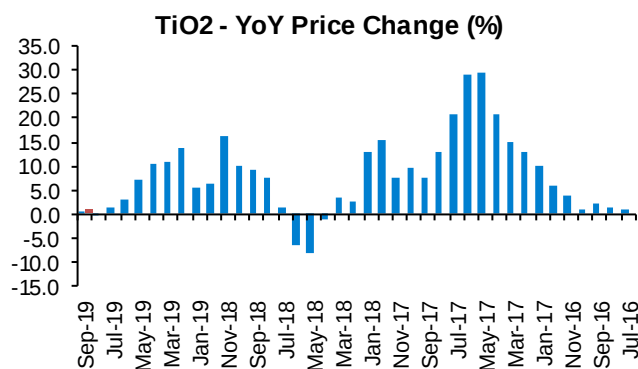
Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 4: Another 0.4% price cut in solvent based paints



Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 5: TiO2 prices down 3.3% QoQ and flattish YoY



Source: Company, PL

Financials

Income Statement (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Net Revenues	193,415	214,801	245,671	280,012
YoY gr. (%)	15.0	11.1	14.4	14.0
Cost of Goods Sold	113,423	123,172	141,414	160,985
Gross Profit	79,992	91,629	104,257	119,027
Margin (%)	41.4	42.7	42.4	42.5
Employee Cost	12,700	14,173	15,968	18,175
Other Expenses	32,046	33,632	37,254	42,789
EBITDA	35,245	43,823	51,036	58,063
YoY gr. (%)	10.2	24.3	16.5	13.8
Margin (%)	18.2	20.4	20.8	20.7
Depreciation and Amortization	4,307	7,918	8,245	8,853
EBIT	30,939	35,905	42,791	49,210
Margin (%)	16.0	16.7	17.4	17.6
Net Interest	510	1,009	870	868
Other Income	2,271	3,329	3,718	4,784
Profit Before Tax	32,699	38,225	45,639	53,126
Margin (%)	16.9	17.8	18.6	19.0
Total Tax	10,988	8,218	11,638	13,547
Effective tax rate (%)	33.6	21.5	25.5	25.5
Profit after tax	21,711	30,006	34,001	39,579
Minority interest	617	612	567	678
Share Profit from Associate	408	507	589	640
Adjusted PAT	21,502	29,901	34,023	39,542
YoY gr. (%)	8.9	39.1	13.8	16.2
Margin (%)	11.1	13.9	13.8	14.1
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	21,502	29,901	34,023	39,542
YoY gr. (%)	5.2	39.1	13.8	16.2
Margin (%)	11.1	13.9	13.8	14.1
Other Comprehensive Income	(136)	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	21,366	29,901	34,023	39,542
Equity Shares O/s (m)	959	959	959	959
EPS (Rs)	22.4	31.2	35.5	41.2

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Non-Current Assets				
Gross Block	82,932	95,132	102,832	111,532
Tangibles	78,978	90,978	98,478	106,978
Intangibles	3,954	4,154	4,354	4,554
Acc: Dep / Amortization	27,633	33,623	39,843	46,571
Tangibles	26,416	31,940	37,671	43,886
Intangibles	1,217	1,683	2,172	2,685
Net fixed assets	55,299	61,509	62,989	64,961
Tangibles	52,562	59,038	60,807	63,092
Intangibles	2,737	2,471	2,182	1,869
Capital Work In Progress	2,097	4,000	6,000	4,000
Goodwill	3,213	3,213	3,213	3,213
Non-Current Investments	17,006	18,221	19,575	21,037
Net Deferred tax assets	(5,397)	(3,649)	(3,390)	(3,090)
Other Non-Current Assets	2,318	2,696	3,635	4,458
Current Assets				
Investments	11,745	14,805	23,550	39,086
Inventories	31,499	34,721	39,038	43,728
Trade receivables	19,134	21,480	24,231	27,234
Cash & Bank Balance	4,449	4,740	6,140	7,049
Other Current Assets	4,010	4,511	5,159	5,880
Total Assets	156,613	176,328	201,095	229,235
Equity				
Equity Share Capital	959	959	959	959
Other Equity	94,238	112,161	129,416	149,762
Total Network	95,197	113,120	130,376	150,722
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term borrowings	195	71	43	26
Provisions	1,556	1,735	1,955	2,226
Other non current liabilities	30	30	30	30
Current Liabilities				
ST Debt / Current of LT Debt	6,076	5,001	4,590	4,687
Trade payables	23,943	26,322	30,995	35,284
Other current liabilities	20,270	22,293	25,576	28,990
Total Equity & Liabilities	156,613	176,327	201,095	229,235

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Cash Flow (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
PBT	32,699	38,225	45,639	53,126
Add. Depreciation	4,307	7,918	8,245	8,853
Add. Interest	510	1,009	870	868
Less Financial Other Income	2,271	3,329	3,718	4,784
Add. Other	(172)	-	-	-
Op. profit before WC changes	37,344	47,152	54,755	62,848
Net Changes-WC	(3,852)	(9,300)	(13,943)	(21,574)
Direct tax	(10,988)	(8,218)	(11,638)	(13,547)
Net cash from Op. activities	22,503	29,634	29,174	27,726
Capital expenditures	(13,542)	(16,032)	(11,725)	(8,826)
Interest / Dividend Income	-	-	-	-
Others	(2,134)	(525)	(526)	(563)
Net Cash from Invst. activities	(15,676)	(16,557)	(12,251)	(9,389)
Issue of share cap. / premium	(227)	1,237	(567)	(678)
Debt changes	3,819	230	2,372	2,970
Dividend paid	(10,272)	(13,703)	(16,767)	(19,196)
Interest paid	(510)	(1,009)	(870)	(868)
Others	-	-	-	-
Net cash from Fin. activities	(7,189)	(13,245)	(15,832)	(17,771)
Net change in cash	(362)	(168)	1,092	566
Free Cash Flow	8,962	13,602	17,449	18,900

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Key Financial Metrics

Y/e Mar	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Per Share(Rs)				
EPS	22.4	31.2	35.5	41.2
CEPS	26.9	39.4	44.1	50.5
BVPS	99.2	117.9	135.9	157.1
FCF	9.3	14.2	18.2	19.7
DPS	8.9	11.9	14.5	16.6
Return Ratio(%)				
RoCE	32.4	32.7	33.8	33.9
ROIC	25.9	31.2	32.9	37.0
RoE	24.0	28.7	27.9	28.1
Balance Sheet				
Net Debt : Equity (x)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.2)	(0.3)
Net Working Capital (Days)	50	51	48	47
Valuation(x)				
PER	78.8	56.7	49.8	42.9
P/B	17.8	15.0	13.0	11.2
P/CEPS	65.7	44.8	40.1	35.0
EV/EBITDA	47.8	38.4	32.7	28.5
EV/Sales	8.7	7.8	6.8	5.9
Dividend Yield (%)	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.9

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Quarterly Financials (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	Q3FY19	Q4FY19	Q1FY20	Q2FY20
Net Revenue	52,940	50,182	51,306	50,507
YoY gr. (%)	24.3	11.9	16.9	8.9
Raw Material Expenses	31,250	29,326	28,970	29,072
Gross Profit	21,690	20,856	22,337	21,435
Margin (%)	41.0	41.6	43.5	42.4
EBITDA	10,430	8,230	11,563	9,548
YoY gr. (%)	17.0	(2.0)	32.2	21.8
Margin (%)	19.7	16.4	22.5	18.9
Depreciation / Depletion	1,154	1,301	1,926	1,972
EBIT	9,276	6,929	9,636	7,577
Margin (%)	17.5	13.8	18.8	15.0
Net Interest	148	153	268	259
Other Income	452	569	736	1,052
Profit before Tax	9,580	7,344	10,104	8,369
Margin (%)	18.1	14.6	19.7	16.6
Total Tax	3,263	2,529	3,505	72
Effective tax rate (%)	34.1	34.4	34.7	0.9
Profit after Tax	6,317	4,816	6,599	8,296
Minority interest	116	143	167	220
Share Profit from Associates	154	59	122	125
Adjusted PAT	6,356	4,731	6,554	8,201
YoY gr. (%)	12.1	(4.6)	17.5	66.4
Margin (%)	12.0	9.4	12.8	16.2
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	6,356	4,731	6,554	8,201
YoY gr. (%)	12.1	(4.6)	17.5	66.4
Margin (%)	12.0	9.4	12.8	16.2
Other Comprehensive Income	(345)	(46)	9	74
Total Comprehensive Income	6,011	4,685	6,564	8,275
Avg. Shares O/s (m)	959	959	959	959
EPS (Rs)	6.6	4.9	6.8	8.6

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Price Chart

Recommendation History



No.	Date	Rating	TP (Rs.)	Share Price (Rs.)
1	3-Oct-19	Accumulate	1,640	1,749
2	24-Jul-19	Accumulate	1,522	1,479
3	4-Jul-19	Accumulate	1,433	1,360
4	9-May-19	Accumulate	1,433	1,386
5	5-Apr-19	Accumulate	1,480	1,514
6	22-Jan-19	Accumulate	1,460	1,407
7	7-Jan-19	Accumulate	1,300	1,396

Analyst Coverage Universe

Sr. No.	Company Name	Rating	TP (Rs)	Share Price (Rs)
1	Asian Paints	Accumulate	1,640	1,749
2	Avenue Supermarts	Reduce	1,647	1,843
3	Britannia Industries	Accumulate	3,307	2,903
4	Colgate Palmolive	Reduce	1,240	1,490
5	Crompton Greaves Consumer Electricals	BUY	300	244
6	Dabur India	Hold	464	434
7	Emami	Accumulate	373	317
8	Future Retail	BUY	477	381
9	GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare	Hold	8,631	8,456
10	Havells India	Reduce	640	702
11	Hindustan Unilever	Accumulate	2,083	2,009
12	ITC	BUY	344	262
13	Jubilant FoodWorks	BUY	1,753	1,435
14	Kansai Nerolac Paints	Accumulate	507	496
15	Marico	Hold	339	384
16	Nestle India	Hold	12,149	13,710
17	Pidilite Industries	Accumulate	1,429	1,393
18	Titan Company	BUY	1,282	1,296
19	Voltas	Hold	626	674

PL's Recommendation Nomenclature (Absolute Performance)

Buy	: > 15%
Accumulate	: 5% to 15%
Hold	: +5% to -5%
Reduce	: -5% to -15%
Sell	: < -15%
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