Exide Industries (EXIIND)

CMP: ₹ 170 Target: ₹ 180 (6%) Targe

Target Period: 12 months

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Fair valuations prompt downgrade...

Exide Industries reported a steady Q2FY21 performance. Net standalone sales in Q2FY21 were at ₹ 2,753 crore (up 5.5% YoY). The topline growth was driven by healthy replacement demand in the automotive and UPS segment with OEM and institutional demand gaining traction during the latter part of the quarter. EBITDA in Q2FY21 was at ₹ 392 crore with corresponding EBITDA margins at 14.2%. The margin performance was steady amid RM costs that were at 65% of sales, partly mitigated by savings in other expenses. Consequent standalone PAT came in at ₹ 229 crore.

Topline growth to taper off after FY22E

Relatively healthy OEM offtake over FY16-19 (~8.7% CAGR) continues to aid battery manufacturers like EIL, as a replacement cycle of about two to three years ensures steady aftermarket demand. The same is seen enduring till FY22E, post which ongoing downturn in OEM output (from Q4FY19 onwards; about two years of sluggishness) is seen weighing on topline performance. Currently, QoQ improvement in OEM production continues, with PV, 2-W segments leading the way. However, sustainability of upturn post November, December would need to be watched to ascertain the pace of possible ramp up at ancillaries like EIL. On the industrial side, sales are expected to grow in single digit territory in FY21E-23E. We await further commentary on Exide's JV with Swiss partner Leclanche for lithium ion-battery assembly and manufacturing in India. With the recent announcement of production linked incentives (PLI) for sunrise sectors including advanced cell chemistry including lithium ion, EIL could benefit.

Stable margin performance on the cards

Lead and lead alloys are key inputs for EIL, forming >70% of the value of raw material consumed. EIL procures ~30% of its requirement via imports while it procures the rest i.e. 70% domestically including ~40% from its own smelters. It enjoys pass through mechanism in ~30% of its revenue pie (OEM & institutional sales) while the remaining ~70% to retail clients are exposed to price volatility. However, due to the B2C nature of this space, EIL is able to retain appropriate pricing power to mitigate heavy movement in lead prices. EIL's blended margin profile is also substantially impacted by activity levels and higher operating leverage in coming months is seen leading to some recovery on that front. We build in largely stable margins over FY20-23E amid better product mix and elements of fixed cost control.

Valuation & Outlook

Sales, PAT are seen growing at 4.7%, flattish CAGR in FY20-23E respectively. We believe the stock is near fair value at the CMP. Hence, we downgrade the stock from BUY to **HOLD** valuing it at ₹ 180 (SOTP basis), (battery business at ₹ 148 i.e. ~15x P/E on average of FY22E & FY23E EPS; ₹ 32 for insurance business & smelting operations).

HOLD



Particulars	
Particular	Amount
Market Capitalization (₹ crore)	14,450.0
Total Debt (FY 20, ₹ Crore)	0.0
Cash & Inv. (FY 20, ₹ Crore)	173.5
EV (₹ Crore)	14,276.5
52 week H/L (₹)	209 /122
Equity capital	₹85 Crore
Face value	₹1
Price chart	

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Key Highlights

- For Q2FY21, sales rose 5.5% YoY led primarily by replacement demand. Margins rose slightly to 14.2% amid lower other expenses
- Aftermarket to impart topline stability, with growth seen tapering off after FY22E
- Higher share of replacement sales also seen leading to stable margin performance
- Downgrade from BUY to HOLD with unchanged SOTP based target of ₹ 180 valuing core battery business at ~15x P/E on FY22-23E average earnings

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Key Financial Summary						
Key Financials	FY19	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E	CAGR (FY20-FY23E)
Net Sales	10,588.3	9,856.7	9,586.6	11,044.0	11,313.0	4.7%
EBITDA	1,411.3	1,365.0	1,190.2	1,434.1	1,527.9	3.8%
EBITDA Margins (%)	13.3	13.8	12.4	13.0	13.5	
Net Profit	844.0	825.5	619.4	779.8	844.6	0.8%
EPS (₹)	9.9	9.7	7.3	9.2	9.9	
P/E	17.1	17.5	23.3	18.5	17.1	
Core P/E	NA	13.9	19.0	15.1	13.9	
RoNW (%)	12.9	13.4	9.2	10.8	10.8	
RoCE (%)	17.8	15.7	11.8	13.7	13.6	

Source: ICICI Direct Research, Company

Exhibit 1: Variance A	nalysis						
	Q2FY21	Q2FY21E	Q2FY20	YoY (Chg %)	Q1FY21	QoQ (Chg %)	Comments
Total Operating Income	2,753	2,334	2,611	5.5	1,548	77.9	Revenue increase was led primarily by automotive aftermarket segment
Raw Material Expenses	1,789	1,447	1,665	7.5	1,064	68.1	Raw material expenses rose 121 bps YoY on percentage of sales basis
Employee Expenses	191	163	174	9.5	140	36.7	Employee costs were higher by 26 bps YoY
Other expenses	381	373	404	-5.7	195	95.2	The compnay realised 164 bps savings in other expenses on percentage of sales basis
EBITDA	392	350	367	6.8	149	164.0	
EBITDA Margin (%)	14.2	15.0	14.1	17 bps	9.6	464 bps	Margins came in marginally higher YoY, albeit well below our estimates - largely due to miss on gross margins front
Other Income	14.8	14.2	5.6	166.1	7.0	109.8	
Depreciation	95.3	101.7	89.8	6.1	91.4	4.3	
Interest	6.3	1.9	1.8	252.8	1.4	348.6	Interest outgo was higher than estimates
Tax	76.4	65.7	43.9	74.1	18.8	306.8	
Reported PAT	228.8	195.1	237.3	-3.6	44.0	420.3	EIL delivered beat on PAT front chiefly due to higher- than-expected sales
EPS (₹)	2.7	2.3	2.8	-3.6	0.5	420.3	

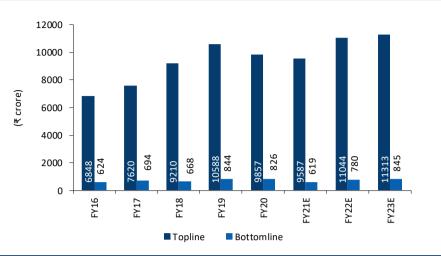
Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 2: Change	e in estin	nates						
		FY21E			FY22E		FY23E	Comments
(₹ Crore)	Old	New	% Change	Old	New	% Change	Introduced	
Revenue	8,320	9,587	15.2	9,934	11,044	11.2	11,313	Raised revenue estimates for FY21E & FY22E on the back of higher than anticipated offtake in replacement segment in post Covid months. Introduced FY23E estimates
EBITDA	1,084	1,190	9.8	1,387	1,434	3.4	1,528	
EBITDA Margin (%)	13.0	12.4	-61 bps	14.0	13.0	-98 bps	13.5	Incrementally higher OEM offrake in overall channel mix on account of improvement in OEM production, going forward, is seen leading to lower margin profile
PAT	538	619	15.1	753	780	3.6	845	Increase in sales estimates leads to higher PAT
EPS (₹)	6.3	7.3	15.1	8.9	9.2	3.6	9.9	

Source: ICICI Direct Research

Financial story in charts

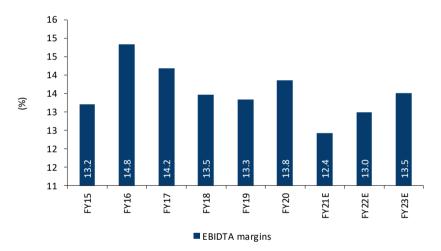
Exhibit 3: Topline and bottomline trend



We expect sales to grow at 4.7% CAGR over FY20-23E while PAT is seen remaining flattish in that period

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

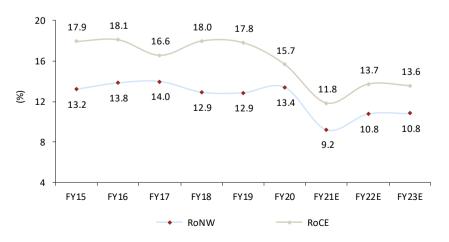
Exhibit 4: EBITDA margin trend



We expect margins to improve to 13.5% by FY23E

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 5: RoE, RoCE trend



RoCE profile is seen declining in FY21E before recovering to \sim 13.5% levels

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research



	Estim a te d	Value per	
SOTP Valuation	value	share	Remark
Standalone Business			
Average of FY22E & FY23E EPS	9.6		
P/E Multiple	15.3		~15% discount to competitor
Value per share (₹)		148	
Insurance business			
Value of Exide Life Insurance (₹ crore)	2404		1x FY19 Embedded Value
Value per share (₹)		29	
Value of subsidiaries (₹ crore)			
Value of smelting subsidiaries (₹)	216	3	1.5x P/B on investment (FY 20)
Total Value per Share (₹)		180	

Source: ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 7:	Valuation	Summary	/					
	Sales	Growth	EPS	Growth	PE	EV/EBITDA	RoNW	RoCE
	(₹ cr)	(%)	(₹)	(%)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)
FY19	10,588	15.0	9.1	10.6	17.1	10.0	12.9	17.8
FY20	9,857	(6.9)	9.9	9.4	17.5	10.5	13.4	15.7
FY21E	9,587	(2.7)	7.3	(26.5)	23.3	11.5	9.2	11.8
FY22E	11,044	15.2	9.2	25.9	18.5	9.4	10.8	13.7
FY 23E	11,313	2.4	9.9	8.3	17.1	8.6	10.8	13.6

Source: Bloomberg, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 8: Shareholding pattern										
(in %)	Sep-19	Dec-19	Mar-20	Jun-20	Sep-20					
Promoter	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0					
FII	9.1	8.9	9.4	9.1	9.8					
DII	24.2	24.4	23.5	22.9	23.1					
0 thers	20.7	20.7	21.1	22.1	21.1					

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Financial Summary

Exhibit 9: Profit and loss s	statement			₹ crore
(Year-end March)	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Total operating Income	9856.7	9586.6	11044.0	11313.0
Growth (%)	-6.9	-2.7	15.2	2.4
Raw Material Expenses	6266.4	6287.8	7158.1	7296.3
Employee Expenses	666.4	686.1	739.9	791.9
Other Expenses	1558.9	1422.5	1711.8	1696.9
Total Operating Expenditure	8491.7	8396.4	9609.9	9785.1
EBITDA	1,365.0	1,190.2	1,434.1	1,527.9
Growth (%)	-3.3	-12.8	20.5	6.5
Depreciation	362.6	383.5	425.2	452.5
Interest	9.4	13.8	14.5	15.2
O ther Income	63.9	38.4	48.2	69.1
PBT	1,056.9	831.3	1,042.6	1,129.2
Exceptional Item	21.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Tax	209.7	212.0	262.7	284.6
Reported PAT	825.5	619.4	779.8	844.6
G rowth (%)	-2.2	-25.0	25.9	8.3
EPS (₹)	9.7	7.3	9.2	9.9

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 10: Cash flow statei	ment			₹ crore
(Year-end March)	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Profit after Tax	825.5	619.4	779.8	844.6
Add: Depreciation	362.6	383.5	425.2	452.5
(Inc)/dec in Current Assets	2.2	255.9	-452.3	-83.5
Inc/(dec) in CL and Provisions	-213.8	183.8	293.1	54.1
CF from operating activities	976.6	1,442.5	1,045.9	1,267.8
(Inc)/dec in Investments	235.2	-575.0	-175.0	-400.0
(Inc)/dec in Fixed Assets	-448.3	-400.0	-450.0	-450.0
0 thers	-166.0	-243.7	-145.8	-123.5
CF from investing activities	(379.1)	(1,218.7)	(770.8)	(973.5)
Issue/(Buy back) of Equity	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inc/(dec) in loan funds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Dividend paid & dividend tax	-418.2	-204.0	-255.0	-276.3
0 thers	-98.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
CF from financing activities	(516.4)	(204.0)	(255.0)	(276.3)
Net Cash flow	81.1	19.8	20.1	18.1
Opening Cash	73.7	154.8	174.6	194.6
Closing Cash	154.9	174.6	194.6	212.7

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 11: Balance Sheet				₹ crore
(Year-end March)	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Liabilities				
E quity Capital	85.0	85.0	85.0	85.0
Reserve and Surplus	6,211.1	6,626.5	7,151.3	7,719.7
Total Shareholders funds	6,296.1	6,711.5	7,236.3	7,804.7
Total Debt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Deferred Tax Liability	101.9	99.1	114.1	116.9
O ther non-current liabilities	99.9	60.0	75.2	107.9
Total Liabilities	6,497.8	6,870.5	7,425.7	8,029.5
Assets				
Gross Block	3,575.2	4,022.1	4,472.1	4,922.1
Less: Acc Depreciation	1,265.5	1,648.9	2,074.1	2,526.
Net Block	2,309.7	2,373.1	2,397.9	2,395.4
Capital WIP	296.9	250.0	250.0	250.0
Total Fixed Assets	2,606.6	2,623.1	2,647.9	2,645.4
Investments	2,107.3	2,887.3	3,217.3	3,772.3
Inventory	2,192.3	1,838.5	2,118.0	2,169.6
Debtors	815.3	919.3	1,059.0	1,084.8
Loans and Advances	39.6	38.6	44.4	45.5
Cash	154.8	174.6	194.6	212.7
Total Current Assets	3,385.7	3,149.5	3,621.9	3,723.4
Creditors	1,030.3	1,181.9	1,361.6	1,394.8
Provisions	296.4	340.0	391.7	401.3
Total Current Liabilities	1,744.3	1,928.0	2,221.1	2,275.2
Net Current Assets	1,641.4	1,221.5	1,400.8	1,448.2
O ther non-current assets	142.7	138.8	159.9	163.8
Total Assets	6,497.8	6,870.5	7,425.7	8,029.5

Exhibit 12: Key ratios				
(Year-end March)	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Per share data (₹)				
EPS	9.9	7.3	9.2	9.9
Cash EPS	13.6	11.8	14.2	15.3
BV	70.4	79.0	85.1	91.8
DPS	2.4	4.1	2.4	3.0
Cash Per Share	0.9	2.1	2.3	2.5
Operating Ratios (%)				
EBITDA Margin	13.3	12.4	13.0	13.5
PBT / Net sales	10.4	8.4	9.1	9.5
PAT Margin	7.3	6.5	7.1	7.5
Inventory days	62.2	70.0	70.0	70.0
Debtor days	37.3	35.0	35.0	35.0
Creditor days	39.4	45.0	45.0	45.0
Return Ratios (%)				
RoE	12.9	9.2	10.8	10.8
RoCE	17.8	11.8	13.7	13.6
RoIC	19.7	13.9	16.4	17.1
Valuation Ratios (x)				
Core P/E	13.9	19.0	15.1	13.9
EV / EBITDA	10.0	11.5	9.4	8.6
EV / Net Sales	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.2
Market Cap / Sales	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.3
Price to Book Value	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.9
Solvency Ratios				
Debt: Equity	<u>-</u>	······	-	
Quick Ratio	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Sector / Company	CMP	TP		M Cap		EPS (₹)			P/E (x)		EV/	EBITDA	(x)	F	RoCE (%)			RoE (%)	
	(₹)	(₹)	Rating	(₹ Cr)	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY20	FY21E	FY22E
Apollo Tyre (APOTYR)	175	175	Buy	10,011	8.3	6.4	11.6	21.0	27.3	15.1	8.4	5.9	5.2	4.5	5.0	7.0	4.8	3.3	6.3
Ashok Leyland (ASHLEY)	95	100	Buy	27,807	0.8	-0.6	2.4	116.4	-149.6	39.0	25.4	40.0	14.3	4.5	0.0	9.5	4.7	-2.6	9.5
Bajaj Auto (BAAUTO)	3,050	3,570	Buy	88,258	176.2	142.5	180.2	17.3	21.4	16.9	13.9	15.4	11.2	23.9	24.1	27.3	25.6	18.5	20.7
Balkrishna Ind. (BALIND)	1,645	1,700	Buy	31,801	48.9	48.1	58.6	33.7	34.2	28.1	22.8	18.0	14.9	14.4	17.6	19.7	18.8	16.7	18.2
Bharat Forge (BHAFOR)	500	490	Hold	23,279	7.5	0.8	10.5	66.7	NM	47.5	23.3	41.7	20.6	5.6	0.3	5.9	7.8	0.8	8.8
Eicher Motors (EICMOT)	2,610	2,600	Hold	71,149	67.0	46.6	70.2	38.9	54.8	36.3	28.8	35.5	25.2	17.3	11.8	15.2	18.3	11.6	15.3
Escorts (ESCORT)	1,420	1,460	Buy	17,406	39.6	59.5	71.0	35.8	23.9	20.0	24.3	16.0	13.5	16.2	15.3	15.3	14.2	14.0	14.5
Exide Industries (EXIIND)	170	180	Hold	14,450	9.7	7.3	9.2	13.9	19.0	15.1	10.5	11.5	9.4	15.7	11.8	13.7	13.4	9.2	10.8
Hero Moto (HERHON)	2,980	3,450	Buy	59,511	181.9	123.6	161.8	16.4	24.1	18.4	13.0	14.9	11.2	21.3	16.6	20.6	22.7	16.0	19.0
M&M (MAHMAH)	705	760	Buy	87,646	11.2	22.8	40.1	63.2	30.9	17.6	14.5	12.3	9.8	8.8	8.4	10.5	6.4	9.5	11.9
Maruti Suzuki (MARUTI)	7,050	6,335	Reduce	2,12,966	187.1	132.1	191.8	37.7	53.4	36.8	24.5	35.1	22.7	7.4	3.6	7.6	11.7	7.8	10.6
Minda Industries (MININD)	365	410	Buy	9,925	5.9	6.7	10.8	61.8	54.6	33.7	17.6	17.4	12.7	9.1	7.9	12.3	10.3	9.4	14.2
Tata Motors (TATMOT)	173	165	Buy	62,240	-33.3	-16.6	6.1	NM	NM	28.3	5.5	5.1	3.7	1.3	2.8	6.4	-18.7	-10.6	3.7

Source: ICICI Direct Research

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