# Laurus Labs (LAULAB)

CMP: ₹ 584 Target: ₹ 690 (18%)

Target Period: 12 months

April 30, 2022

# Custom synthesis hogs limelight; outlook robust...

**About the stock:** Laurus Labs operates in the segment of generic APIs & FDFs (formulations), custom synthesis and biotechnology. Major focus in APIs is on ARV, oncology and other APIs.

- It has 11 manufacturing units (six FDA approved sites) with 73 DMFs, 31 ANDAs filed (15 Para IV, 10 first to file) and 184 patents granted
- Laurus acquired Richore Life Sciences to diversify in area of recombinant animal origin free products, enzymes as well as building biologics CDMO

Q4FY22 Results: Significant beat propelled by synthesis and formulations.

- Sales were up 1% YoY to ₹ 1425 crore, which were optically muted due to ARVs destocking impact during the year and a high base of Q4FY21
- EBITDA was at ₹ 397 crore, down 16% YoY with margins at 27.8%
- Adjusted PAT was at ₹ 230.5 crore (down 22% YoY)

What should investors do? Laurus Lab's share price has grown by ~7.6x over the past three years (from ~₹ 77 in April 2019 to ~₹ 584 levels in April 2022).

• We continue to remain positive and retain our **BUY** rating on the stock

Target Price and Valuation: Valued at ₹ 690 i.e. 26x P/E on FY24E EPS of ₹ 26.5

#### Key triggers for future price performance:

- Synthesis: Well-positioned to meet fast growing global demand for NCE drug substance and drug products. Setting-up dedicated R&D centre (operational FY23) & three greenfield manufacturing units (FY24, FY25)
- Formulations: Product launches in anti-diabetic (FY23) & CV portfolio (FY24) in US & Europe with market opportunity at ~ US\$45 billion. Brownfield expansion (Unit-2) by Q1FY23 taking total capacity to 10 billion units
- API: Robust order-book in anti-diabetic, CV & PPI amid capacity expansion in high growth therapeutics with total reactor volume of +7000KL by FY23
- Biologics: Expanding the biologics CDMO at scale. Commercial scale-up of the new fermentation capacity (food proteins). Plans to add 1 million litre fermentation capacity in Phase 1
- Laurus is evolving as a strong vertically integrated player with strong order book visibility and incremental traction from custom synthesis

Alternate Stock Idea: Apart from Laurus, in healthcare coverage we like Granules.

- Granules India is a vertically integrated company that manufactures API, intermediates and finished dosages with vision to play on its strength of economies of scale and expansion into more complex products/forms
- BUY with a target price of ₹ 360





| Particulars               |               |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Particular                | Amount        |
| Market Capitalisation     | ₹ 31362 crore |
| Debt (FY22)               | ₹ 1915 crore  |
| Cash & Equivalents (FY22) | ₹ 76 crore    |
| EV (₹ Cr)                 | ₹ 33201 crore |
| 52 week H/L (₹)           | 724/433       |
| Equity capital            | ₹ 107.5 crore |
| Face value                | ₹2            |

| Share   | holding | pattern |        |        |        |
|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| (in %)  | Mar-21  | Jun-21  | Sep-21 | Dec-21 | Mar-22 |
| Promote | 27.5    | 27.3    | 27.3   | 27.3   | 27.3   |
| Others  | 72.6    | 72.7    | 72.7   | 72.7   | 72.7   |

| Price Chart   |     |
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#### Recent Event & Key risks

- Signed MPP license for Paxlovid
- Key Risk: (i) Delay in commercialisation of new facility (ii) Slower offtake in ARV space

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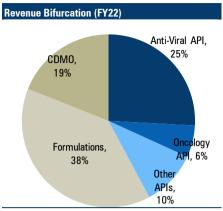
| Key Financial Summary       |        |        |        |                          |        |        |                           |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------------------------|--------|--------|---------------------------|
| Key Financials<br>(₹ Crore) | FY20   | FY21   | FY22   | 5 year CAGR<br>(FY17-22) | FY23E  | FY24E  | 3 year CAGR<br>(FY22-24E) |
| Net Sales                   | 2831.7 | 4813.5 | 4935.7 | 21.0                     | 6439.4 | 7750.4 | 25.3                      |
| EBITDA                      | 561.0  | 1550.7 | 1422.4 | 30.7                     | 1846.2 | 2327.4 | 27.9                      |
| EBITDA Margins (%)          | 19.8   | 32.2   | 28.8   |                          | 28.7   | 30.0   |                           |
| Adj. Profit                 | 255.3  | 983.6  | 827.5  | 39.7                     | 1107.7 | 1426.0 | 31.3                      |
| Adj. EPS (₹)                | 4.8    | 18.3   | 15.4   |                          | 20.6   | 26.5   |                           |
| PE (x)                      | 122.9  | 31.9   | 37.9   |                          | 28.3   | 22.0   |                           |
| RoE (%)                     | 14.4   | 37.9   | 24.7   |                          | 25.5   | 25.3   |                           |
| RoCE (%)                    | 13.0   | 31.7   | 21.3   |                          | 22.6   | 24.7   |                           |



### Key takeaways of recent quarter & conference call highlights

#### Q4FY22 Results: CRAMS growth continues amid GPM pressure

- Laurus revenues grew 1% YoY to ₹ 1425 crore in Q4FY22 on the back of 105% YoY growth in CRAMS to ₹ 360 crore amid progress in existing projects and supplies for order secured with global life science company. Formulations grew 14% YoY to ₹ 491 crore due to market share gain in developed market and stabilisation in ARVs. APIs revenues declined 32% YoY to ₹ 539 crore, mainly due to de-stocking impact in base year for ARVs business. ARV APIs sales declined 48% YoY to ₹ 297 crore while oncology API posted growth of 13% YoY to ₹ 70 crore and other API grew 4% YoY to ₹ 173 crore. Laurus bio segment grew 9% YoY to ₹ 35 crore due to operationalisation of new capacities. EBITDA margins declined 560 bps YoY to 28% mainly due to lower gross margins (down 349 bps YoY to 52%) and higher employee cost. EBITDA de-grew 16% YoY to ₹ 397 crore while adjusted PAT was down 22% YoY at ₹ 231 crore for the quarter. Delta vis-àvis EBITDA on back of higher depreciation and interest cost along with lower other income being partially offset by lower tax expense
- Revenue growth appears optically muted, which is largely due to ARVs destocking impact during the year. CRAMS and formulations were significant beat on our estimates while EBITDA margins were better than estimated 26.5% due to better mix offsetting negative operating leverage. ARV business in both APIs and formulations witnessed improving offtake sequentially. Positive outlook backed by new project delivery, pipeline expansion and favourable market tailwinds in CRAMS has led to company targeting 25% revenues from Synthesis by FY25. Laurus has multiple planned capacity expansions in portfolio based on complexity and scale and has set an aspirational target of US\$1 billion revenues in FY23



Source: ICICI Direct Research; Company; based on FY22 sales

#### Q4FY22 Earnings Conference Call highlights

- Q4FY22 witnessed supply side issues for API solvents and raw materials while logistics challenges worsened due to geo-political issues and Covid
- $\bullet$  ARV APIs and formulations prices were down  $\sim$  10% in FY22. The management guided this to be the new base
- ARVs contribution (both API and formulations) was at  $\sim 55\%$  of revenues for FY22. The company is expected to maintain revenue mix in FY23
- Laurus API facility is operating at optimum capacity. Capacity increased by 25% in FY22 while total reactor volume of +7000 KL is expected to be reached by the end of FY23. The management is anticipating good growth in other API segment in FY23 supported by new contract supplies
- In Synthesis, capex on multi-year contract (signed in Q2) is on fast-track.
   Laurus has four commercial stage projects and 550KL+ dedicated capacity.
   The company has also indicated at four big pharma clients amid customer base diversification
- Laurus Bio's new 1 million litre capacity will be commercialised in FY24 and is earmarked for food proteins. The management plans to enter therapeutic proteins from FY25
- R&D US/EU Pipeline: 14 approved with ~ 40% in Non-ARV while 70% of pending/developing 62 filings are under non-ARV space. R&D spend for FY22 was at ₹ 202 crore (4% of sales)
- US ANDA filings: Total 31, Para IV 15 and FTF 10. Additionally, 11 filings in EU and 17 in Canada
- Capex guidance for FY23 and FY24 at ₹ 2,000-2,500 crore



| Exhibit 1: Manufact<br>Location | Facility         | Offering                              | Capacity                               | Approvals                            |
|---------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
|                                 |                  |                                       |  | USFDA, WHO, COFEPRIS, NIP –Hungary,  |
|                                 | Unit 1           | API, CDM0-Synthesis                   | 333 reactors with 1,232 KL capacity    | KFDA, PMDA, ANVISA                   |
|                                 |                  |                                       |  | USFDA, WHO, COFEPRIS, NIP -Hungary,  |
|                                 | Unit 3           | API                                   | 297 reactors with 2,299 KL capacity    | KFDA, ANVISA & JAZMP - Slovenia      |
| Jawaharlal Nehru Pharma         |                  | CDMO-Synthesis                        |  |                                      |
| City, Visakhapatnam             | Unit 5           | Hormone and Steroid facility          | 50 reactors with 151 KL capacity       |                                      |
|                                 |                  | CDMO- Synthesis LSPL - 1              |  |                                      |
|                                 | Laurus Synthesis | APIs including Ingredients, Synthesis | 42 reactors + 3 All Glass Reactors     |                                      |
|                                 | Private Limited  | & Contract Manufacturing              | w/139 KL capacity                      |                                      |
|                                 |                  |                                       | 6 bn Tablets/Capsules per year         | USFDA, EMA, WHO, ANVISA, BfArM –     |
|                                 |                  |                                       | Expansion plan: +4bn unit –            | Germany & JAZMP – Slovenia & African |
|                                 | Unit 2           | Formulations and API                  | Operational by June'22                 | countries                            |
| APIIC, Atchutapuram,            | Unit 4           | API, CDM0-Synthesis                   | 130 reactors with 1,105 KL capacity    | COFEPRIS – Mexico, WHO and USFDA     |
| Visakhapatnam                   | Unit 6           | API & Intermediates                   | 68 reactors with 758 KL capacity       | USFDA                                |
| IKP Knowledge Park,             |                  |                                       |  |                                      |
| Genome Valley,<br>Hyderabad     | Kilo Lab (R&D)   | API, CDMO - Synthesis                 | 43 reactors and 4.3 KL capacity        | USFDA, KFDA and PMDA                 |
| Bibi Nagar (Near                | 2 (2)            |                                       |  |                                      |
| Hyderabad)                      |                  | API & Intermediates                   | 31 reactors with 81 KL capacity        | WHO GMP by CDSCO                     |
|                                 |                  | Bio-Ingredients                       | Fermentation capacity of 10,750 Liters |                                      |
|                                 |                  | In-house QC lab- suited to microbical | (2 reactors of 5,000 L & 3 reactors of |                                      |
|                                 | R1               | testing                               | 250 L), CDMO                           |                                      |
|                                 |                  | Bio-Ingredients                       | Fermentation capacity of 180K Liters   |                                      |
| Laurus Bio, Bangalore           | R2               | CDMO capabilities                     | (4 fermenters of 45KL)                 |                                      |

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

| Exhibit 2: Future Pr | ojects                 |   |                           |
|----------------------|------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Division             | Location               | Status & Capacity                           | Operational               |
|                      | Vizag                  | Unit 2 - 4 billion units (New building)     | Completion before June'22 |
|                      | Vizag                  | Unit 2 - 1 billion units (De-bottlenecking) | ✓                         |
| Formulation          | Hyderabad (Greenfield) | Unit 9 Land acquired                        | Phase 1 – FY24            |
|                      |                        | Unit 3 and 4 (1,000KL)                      | ✓                         |
|                      | Vizag                  | Unit 4, and 6 (+1,200KL) - initiated        | FY23                      |
| API                  | Vizag (Greenfield)     | Unit 7, 8 Land acquired                     | FY24/25                   |
|                      | Vizag                  | Unit 1 (LSPL)                               | ✓                         |
|                      | Vizag (Greenfield)     | Land acquired (Unit 2 & Unit 4 - LSPL)      | FY24                      |
|                      | Vizag (Greenfield)     | Land acquired (Unit 3 LSPL)                 | FY24/25                   |
| Custom Synthesis     | Hyderabad (Greenfield) | Land acquired                               | FY23                      |

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research



|                       | Q4FY22  | Q4FY22E | Q4FY21  | YoY (%) | Q3FY22  | QoQ (%) | Comments  |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---|
| Revenue               | 1,424.8 | 1,231.8 | 1,411.9 | 0.9     | 1,028.8 | 38.5    | YoY optically muted due to ARVs de-stocking in base while CRAMS and formulations were significant beat on our estimates |
| Raw Material Expenses | 683.3   | 517.4   | 627.8   | 8.8     | 424.0   | 61.1    |   |
| Gross margins (%)     | 52.0    | 58.0    | 55.5    | -349.3  | 58.8    | -673.7  | YoY decline amid Inflationary input cost and $\sim$ 10% price erosion in ARVs   |
| Employee Expenses     | 129.4   | 146.1   | 113.8   | 13.7    | 122.0   | 6.1     |   |
| Other Expenditure     | 215.5   | 242.0   | 198.2   | 8.7     | 197.5   | 9.1     |   |
| EBITDA                | 396.7   | 326.3   | 472.2   | -16.0   | 285.3   | 39.1    |   |
| EBITDA (%)            | 27.8    | 26.5    | 33.4    | -560.0  | 27.7    | 11.1    | YoY decline mainly due to lower gross margins and higher employee cost  |
| Interest              | 30.6    | 23.1    | 21.9    | 39.4    | 23.1    | 32.3    |   |
| Depreciation          | 65.7    | 61.8    | 53.6    | 22.6    | 64.0    | 2.7     |   |
| Other Income          | 1.3     | 6.4     | 4.5     | -71.5   | 5.3     | -75.8   |   |
| PBT before EO & Forex | 301.7   | 247.8   | 401.2   | -24.8   | 203.5   | 48.3    |   |
| Forex & EO            | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     |         | 0.0     |         |   |
| PBT                   | 301.7   | 247.8   | 401.2   | -24.8   | 203.5   | 48.3    |   |
| Tax                   | 69.8    | 55.8    | 104.3   | -33.0   | 48.5    | 43.8    |   |
| PAT before MI         | 231.9   | 192.1   | 296.9   | -21.9   | 155.0   | 49.6    |   |
| MI                    | 1.2     | 1.0     | 0.2     |         | 1.2     |         |   |
| Net Profit            | 230.5   | 191.1   | 296.7   | -22.3   | 153.7   | 49.9    | Delta vis-à-vis EBITDA on back of higher depreciation and interest cost along   |
| INCL FIUIL            | 230.3   | 131.1   | 230.7   | -22.3   | 155.7   | 43.3    | with lower other income being partially offset by lower tax expense.  |
| Key Metrics           |         |         |         |         |         |         |   |
| Anti-Viral API        | 296.5   | 284.5   | 569.0   | -47.9   | 203.5   | 45.7    |   |
| Oncology API          | 70.1    | 83.7    | 62.0    | 13.0    | 84.8    | -17.4   |   |
| Other APIs            | 172.5   | 166.0   | 166.0   | 3.9     | 135.7   | 27.1    |   |
| API                   | 539.0   | 534.2   | 797.0   | -32.4   | 424.0   | 27.1    | YoY decline mainly due to de-stocking impact in base year for ARVs business   |
| Formulations          | 491.0   | 430.0   | 430.0   | 14.2    | 373.0   | 31.6    | YoY growth on back of market share gain in developed market and stabilization in ARVs                                   |
| CRAMS                 | 360.0   | 237.6   | 176.0   | 104.5   | 207.0   | 73.9    | YoY growth led by progress in existing projects and supplies for order secured with Global life science company         |

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

| Exhibit 4: Chang  | e in estim | ates    |          |         |         |          |  |
|-------------------|------------|---------|----------|---------|---------|----------|--|
|                   |            | FY23E   |          |         | FY24E   |          |  |
| (₹ Crore)         | Old        | New     | % Change | Old     | New 9   | 6 Change |  |
| Revenue           | 6,039.7    | 6,439.4 | 6.6      | 7,207.5 | 7,750.4 | 7.5      | Changed estimates due to business normalisation in ARVs space and key executions in contract manufacturing |
| EBITDA            | 1,810.0    | 1,846.2 | 2.0      | 2,198.3 | 2,327.4 | 5.9      |  |
| EBITDA Margin (%) | 30.0       | 28.7    | -130 bps | 30.5    | 30.0    | -47 bps  | Guidance to maintain $\sim$ 30% margin profile   |
| PAT               | 1,114.4    | 1,107.7 | -0.6     | 1,401.5 | 1,426.0 | 1.7      |  |
| EPS (₹)           | 20.7       | 20.6    | -0.6     | 26.1    | 26.5    | 1.7      |  |

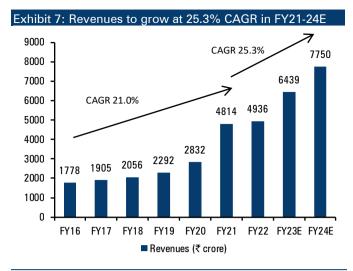
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|                |         |         | Current |         | Earl    | ier     | Comments   |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| (₹ crore)      | FY21    | FY22    | FY23E   | FY24E   | FY23E   | FY24E   |  |
| Anti-Viral API | 1,852.0 | 1,250.5 | 1,437.2 | 1,581.0 | 1,523.1 | 1,675.4 | Changed mainly due to slower off-take in demand                  |
| Oncology API   | 263.0   | 287.8   | 343.5   | 412.2   | 386.1   | 463.3   | Changed mainly due to lower-than-expected growth in Q4FY22       |
| Other APIs     | 506.0   | 501.1   | 725.6   | 943.3   | 681.8   | 886.4   | Changed mainly due to better traction and visibility             |
| API            | 2,621.0 | 2,039.4 | 2,506.4 | 2,936.5 | 2,591.1 | 3,025.2 |  |
| Formulations   | 1,664.0 | 1,880.0 | 2,349.9 | 2,702.4 | 2,182.7 | 2,510.1 | Changed mainly due to offtake in capacity and new launches       |
| CRAMS          | 519.0   | 917.0   | 1.423.1 | 1,921.1 | 1,105.9 | 1,493.0 | Changed mainly due to better demand outlook and new order inflow |

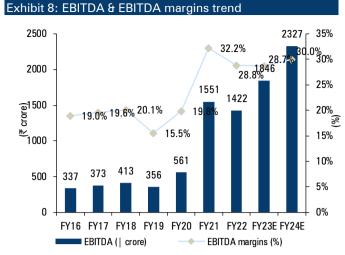
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|       | Revenues  | Growth | Adj. EPS | Growth | P/E  | EV/EBITDA | RoNW | RoCE |
|-------|-----------|--------|----------|--------|------|-----------|------|------|
|       | (₹ crore) | (%)    | (₹)      | (%)    | (x)  | (X)       | (%)  | (%)  |
| FY21  | 4814      | 70.0   | 18.3     | 285.3  | 31.9 | 21.1      | 37.9 | 31.7 |
| FY22  | 4936      | 2.5    | 15.4     | -15.9  | 37.9 | 23.3      | 24.7 | 21.3 |
| FY23E | 6439      | 30.5   | 20.6     | 33.9   | 28.3 | 18.1      | 25.5 | 22.6 |
| FY24E | 7750      | 20.4   | 26.5     | 28.7   | 22.0 | 14.2      | 25.3 | 24.7 |

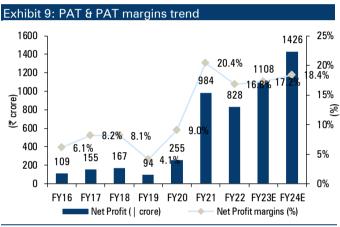
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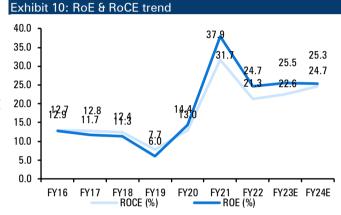
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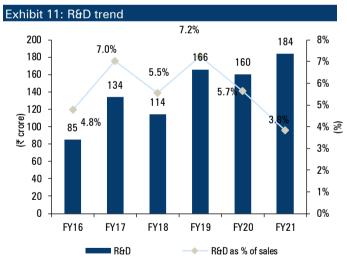
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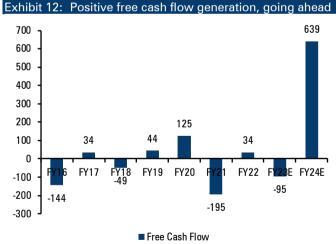
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| Exhibit 13: Trends in O        | uarterl | y Perfo | ormand | е      |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |          |          |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|----------|
| (₹ Crore)                      | Q4FY19  | Q1FY20  | Q2FY20 | Q3FY20 | Q4FY20 | Q1FY21 | Q2FY21 | Q3FY21 | Q4FY21 | Q1FY22 | Q2FY22 | Q3FY22 | Q4FY22 | YoY (%)  | QoQ (%)  |
| Total Operating Income         | 635.2   | 550.6   | 712.4  | 729.6  | 839.1  | 974.3  | 1138.8 | 1288.4 | 1411.9 | 1278.5 | 1203.5 | 1028.8 | 1424.8 | 0.9      | 38.5     |
| Raw Material Expenses          | 341.9   | 274.6   | 360.0  | 360.6  | 418.3  | 446.1  | 501.3  | 583.1  | 627.8  | 553.8  | 532.7  | 424.0  | 683.3  | 8.8      | 61.1     |
| % of revenue                   | 53.8    | 49.9    | 50.5   | 49.4   | 49.8   | 45.8   | 44.0   | 45.3   | 44.5   | 43.3   | 44.3   | 41.2   | 48.0   | 349 bps  | 674 bps  |
| Gross Profit                   | 293.3   | 276.0   | 352.4  | 369.0  | 420.8  | 528.3  | 637.6  | 705.3  | 784.2  | 724.7  | 670.8  | 604.7  | 741.6  | -5.4     | 22.6     |
| Gross Profit Margin (%)        | 46.2    | 50.1    | 49.5   | 50.6   | 50.2   | 54.2   | 56.0   | 54.7   | 55.5   | 56.7   | 55.7   | 58.8   | 52.0   | -349 bps | -674 bps |
| Employee Expenses              | 74.0    | 80.3    | 88.0   | 88.4   | 88.1   | 111.6  | 108.1  | 100.6  | 113.8  | 127.3  | 122.9  | 122.0  | 129.4  | 13.7     | 6.1      |
| % of revenue                   | 11.7    | 14.6    | 12.3   | 12.1   | 10.5   | 11.5   | 9.5    | 7.8    | 8.1    | 10.0   | 10.2   | 11.9   | 9.1    | 102 bps  | -278 bps |
| Other Manufacturing Expenses   | 107.3   | 112.4   | 126.7  | 132.4  | 140.9  | 138.4  | 155.6  | 178.4  | 198.2  | 202.0  | 202.9  | 197.5  | 215.5  | 8.7      | 9.1      |
| % of revenue                   | 16.9    | 20.4    | 17.8   | 18.1   | 16.8   | 14.2   | 13.7   | 13.8   | 14.0   | 15.8   | 16.9   | 19.2   | 15.1   | 109 bps  | -407 bps |
| Total Expenditure              | 523.2   | 467.3   | 574.6  | 581.4  | 647.4  | 696.0  | 765.0  | 862.1  | 939.7  | 883.2  | 858.4  | 743.5  | 1028.1 | 9.4      | 38.3     |
| % of revenue                   | 82.4    | 84.9    | 80.7   | 79.7   | 77.1   | 71.4   | 67.2   | 66.9   | 66.6   | 69.1   | 71.3   | 72.3   | 72.2   | 560 bps  | -11 bps  |
| EBITDA                         | 112.0   | 83.3    | 137.8  | 148.2  | 191.8  | 278.3  | 373.9  | 426.3  | 472.2  | 395.4  | 345.1  | 285.3  | 396.7  | -16.0    | 39.1     |
| EBITDA Margins (%)             | 17.6    | 15.1    | 19.3   | 20.3   | 22.9   | 28.6   | 32.8   | 33.1   | 33.4   | 30.9   | 28.7   | 27.7   | 27.8   | -560 bps | 11 bps   |
| Depreciation                   | 43.5    | 45.8    | 47.8   | 47.6   | 46.1   | 48.8   | 51.0   | 51.6   | 53.6   | 58.5   | 63.2   | 64.0   | 65.7   | 22.6     | 2.7      |
| Interest                       | 17.6    | 22.5    | 25.6   | 20.8   | 20.7   | 15.1   | 13.7   | 17.4   | 21.9   | 26.6   | 22.1   | 23.1   | 30.6   | 39.4     | 32.3     |
| Other Income                   | 1.6     | 4.5     | 1.4    | 1.9    | 1.7    | 7.1    | 5.1    | 6.9    | 4.5    | 5.9    | 2.8    | 5.3    | 1.3    | -71.5    | -75.8    |
| Forex & EO                     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    |          |          |
| PBT                            | 52.6    | 19.4    | 65.8   | 81.7   | 126.7  | 221.5  | 314.3  | 364.2  | 401.2  | 316.1  | 262.6  | 203.5  | 301.7  | -24.8    | 48.3     |
| Total Tax                      | 9.4     | 4.3     | 9.2    | 8.2    | 16.6   | 49.7   | 72.0   | 91.3   | 104.3  | 74.4   | 58.6   | 48.5   | 69.8   | -33.0    | 43.8     |
| Tax rate (%)                   | 17.9    | 22.1    | 14.0   | 10.1   | 13.1   | 22.4   | 22.9   | 25.1   | 26.0   | 23.6   | 22.3   | 23.8   | 23.1   | -285 bps | -71 bps  |
| PAT                            | 43.2    | 15.1    | 56.6   | 73.5   | 110.2  | 171.8  | 242.3  | 272.9  | 296.9  | 241.6  | 204.0  | 155.0  | 231.9  | -21.9    | 49.6     |
| Minority Interest              | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.2    | 0.2    | 2.1    | 1.2    | 1.2    |          |          |
| PAT after MI                   | 43.2    | 15.1    | 56.6   | 73.5   | 110.2  | 171.8  | 242.3  | 272.9  | 296.7  | 241.4  | 201.9  | 153.8  | 230.7  | -22.2    | 50.0     |
| EPS (₹)                        | 0.8     | 0.3     | 1.1    | 1.4    | 2.0    | 3.2    | 4.5    | 5.1    | 5.5    | 4.5    | 3.8    | 2.9    | 4.3    |          |          |
| No. of Equity Shares (Diluted) | 53.7    | 53.7    | 53.7   | 53.7   | 53.7   | 53.7   | 53.7   | 53.7   | 53.7   | 53.7   | 53.7   | 53.7   | 53.7   |          |          |

No. of Equity Shares (Dilute Source: ICICI Direct Research

| Exhibit 14: ICICI     | Direct C | over  | age U  | nivers         | e (Hea | Ithca | ire)  |       |       |       |       |       |       |            |        |       |            |       |       |
|-----------------------|----------|-------|--------|----------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------|--------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| Company               | I-Direct | CMP   | TP     | Rating         | M Cap  |       |       | S (₹) |       |       | PE    | (x)   |       | Ro         | CE (%) |       | Ro         | E (%) |       |
|                       | Code     | (₹)   | (₹)    | <del>-</del> - | (₹ cr) | FY21  | FY22E | FY23E | FY24E | FY21  | FY22E | FY23E | FY24E | FY21 -Y22E | FY23E  | FY24E | FY21 FY22E | FY23E | FY24E |
| Hospitals             |          |       |        |                |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |            |        |       |            |       |       |
| Apollo Hospitals      | APOHOS   | 4437  | 5,480  | Buy            | 63790  | 7.9   | 67.2  | 81.3  | 105.5 | 564.4 | 66.0  | 54.5  | 42.1  | 6.3 16.4   | 18.2   | 20.7  | 2.5 17.5   | 18.1  | 19.9  |
| Narayana Hrudalaya    | NARHRU   | 696   | 765    | Buy            | 14231  | -0.7  | 17.5  | 20.1  | 22.8  | NA    | 39.9  | 34.6  | 30.6  | 1.2 21.2   | 22.4   | 21.5  | -1.3 24.5  | 22.3  | 20.3  |
| Shalby                | SHALIM   | 126   | 170    | Buy            | 1356   | 3.9   | 5.9   | 5.7   | 7.2   | 32.0  | 21.3  | 21.8  | 17.5  | 6.5 8.9    | 9.6    | 10.5  | 5.1 7.2    | 6.7   | 7.9   |
| Aster DM              | ASTDM    | 194   | 250    | Buy            | 9676   | 3.0   | 10.6  | 17.6  | NA    | 65.5  | 18.4  | 11.0  | NA    | 5.4 9.2    | 12.9   | NA    | 4.4 13.5   | 18.4  | NA    |
| Healthcare Global     | HEAGLO   | 282   | 240    | Hold           | 3529   | -21.7 | 6.0   | 3.5   | NA    | NA    | 47.0  | 79.8  | NA    | -0.9 5.2   | 7.7    | NA    | NA NA      | 3.4   | NA    |
| MNC Pharma            |          |       |        |                |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |            |        |       |            |       |       |
| Abbott India          | ABBIND   | 17020 | 19,840 | Buy            | 36166  | 325.0 | 370.4 | 429.0 | 496.0 | 52.4  | 45.9  | 39.7  | 34.3  | 33.8 35.7  | 34.4   | 33.4  | 26.5 28.1  | 26.8  | 25.8  |
| P&G Health            | MERLIM   | 4490  | 5,365  | Hold           | 7453   | 106.5 | 110.9 | 119.1 | 134.1 | 42.2  | 40.5  | 37.7  | 33.5  | 32.2 35.5  | 33.3   | 32.6  | 25.1 27.4  | 25.5  | 24.9  |
| Sanofi India          | SANOFI   | 6970  | 7,740  | Hold           | 16053  | 207.4 | 410.1 | 285.7 | 276.4 | 33.6  | 17.0  | 24.4  | 25.2  | 32.3 33.3  | 42.3   | 40.8  | 24.5 25.9  | 32.6  | 31.3  |
| Pfizer                | PFIZER   | 4375  | 5,350  | Buy            | 20015  | 108.8 | 135.2 | 133.0 | 148.6 | 40.2  | 32.4  | 32.9  | 29.4  | 27.6 27.4  | 23.6   | 22.9  | 20.8 21.7  | 18.6  | 18.1  |
| Pharma                |          |       |        |                |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |            |        |       |            |       |       |
| Ajanta Pharma         | AJAPHA   | 1724  | 2,605  | Buy            | 14914  | 74.0  | 85.4  | 87.0  | 100.4 | 23.3  | 20.2  | 19.8  | 17.2  | 29.0 27.0  | 23.8   | 23.6  | 21.8 22.4  | 19.5  | 19.2  |
| Alembic Pharma        | ALEMPHA  | 783   | 770    | Hold           | 15393  | 59.9  | 34.0  | 34.8  | 38.5  | 13.1  | 23.0  | 22.5  | 20.3  | 24.2 12.1  | 12.3   | 12.6  | 23.0 11.9  | 11.2  | 11.4  |
| Aurobindo Pharma      | AURPHA   | 628   | 765    | Hold           | 36794  | 55.0  | 44.3  | 53.4  | 61.2  | 11.4  | 14.2  | 11.7  | 10.3  | 16.9 12.5  | 14.3   | 15.2  | 14.7 10.7  | 11.5  | 11.7  |
| Biocon                | BIOCON   | 370   | 380    | Hold           | 44386  | 6.3   | 5.7   | 6.1   | 11.7  | 59.0  | 64.9  | 61.0  | 31.7  | 7.7 7.5    | 5.0    | 6.9   | 9.9 8.1    | 3.2   | 5.9   |
| Zydus Lifesciences    | CADHEA   | 351   | 475    | Hold           | 35938  | 21.5  | 21.1  | 22.4  | 25.4  | 16.3  | 16.6  | 15.7  | 13.8  | 12.6 13.5  | 13.7   | 14.6  | 16.9 14.8  | 14.0  | 14.1  |
| Cipla                 | CIPLA    | 981   | 1,100  | Buy            | 79138  | 29.9  | 35.9  | 39.3  | 43.5  | 32.8  | 27.3  | 24.9  | 22.5  | 16.3 18.3  | 18.0   | 18.0  | 13.1 14.1  | 13.8  | 13.6  |
| Dr Reddy's Labs       | DRREDD   | 4138  | 5,160  | Buy            | 68872  | 117.3 | 156.5 | 190.9 | 236.0 | 35.3  | 26.4  | 21.7  | 17.5  | 13.1 15.4  | 18.6   | 22.7  | 11.1 13.1  | 14.0  | 15.1  |
| Glenmark Pharma       | GLEPHA   | 439   | 550    | Hold           | 12384  | 32.9  | 44.2  | 44.2  | 49.1  | 13.4  | 9.9   | 9.9   | 8.9   | 13.9 15.5  | 15.2   | 15.4  | 13.1 13.1  | 11.7  | 11.6  |
| Ipca Laboratories     | IPCLAB   | 1012  | 1,175  | Buy            | 25676  | 44.9  | 36.6  | 42.4  | 48.2  | 22.5  | 27.7  | 23.9  | 21.0  | 27.1 19.8  | 19.1   | 18.5  | 24.2 16.6  | 16.1  | 15.6  |
| Jubilant Pharmova     | JUBLIF   | 473   | 490    | Hold           | 7530   | 37.4  | 28.7  | 32.5  | 40.8  | 12.6  | 16.5  | 14.5  | 11.6  | 13.7 10.1  | 10.4   | 12.2  | 12.6 8.9   | 9.2   | 10.4  |
| Lupin                 | LUPIN    | 743   | 960    | Hold           | 33765  | 26.9  | 16.0  | 29.7  | 39.4  | 27.7  | 46.6  | 25.0  | 18.9  | 9.1 6.0    | 10.3   | 12.6  | 8.8 5.7    | 9.5   | 11.3  |
| Natco Pharma          | NATPHA   | 787   | 955    | Hold           | 14345  | 24.2  | 15.1  | 19.6  | 23.1  | 32.5  | 52.0  | 40.2  | 34.1  | 13.1 7.3   | 9.7    | 10.7  | 10.7 6.4   | 7.8   | 8.5   |
| Sun Pharma            | SUNPHA   | 930   | 1,075  | Buy            | 223102 | 30.0  | 33.5  | 33.8  | 38.6  | 30.9  | 27.8  | 27.5  | 24.1  | 14.2 18.3  | 17.8   | 17.8  | 15.5 16.4  | 14.4  | 14.3  |
| Torrent Pharma        | TORPHA   | 2819  | 3,235  | Hold           | 47701  | 74.0  | 67.6  | 94.7  | 114.5 | 38.1  | 41.7  | 29.8  | 24.6  | 17.7 18.2  | 21.1   | 23.5  | 21.4 17.1  | 20.3  | 20.7  |
| Indoco Remedies       | INDREM   | 382   | 510    | Buy            | 3522   | 10.1  | 16.5  | 23.3  | 28.3  | 37.9  | 23.1  | 16.4  | 13.5  | 11.7 17.9  | 21.5   | 26.3  | 12.1 16.9  | 19.8  | 20.0  |
| Caplin Point          | CAPPOI   | 707   | 1,010  | Buy            | 5358   | 81.7  | 76.7  | 55.5  | 60.4  | 8.7   | 9.2   | 12.8  | 11.7  | 25.6 24.1  | 23.5   | 0.0   | 20.4 20.5  | 18.8  | 18.3  |
| Advanced Enzymes      | ADVENZ   | 301   | 380    | Buy            | 3365   | 13.1  | 11.3  | 13.6  | 15.8  | 23.0  | 26.7  | 22.2  | 19.1  | 19.4 15.4  | 16.7   | 17.2  | 15.1 11.6  | 12.4  | 12.7  |
| Hester Biosciences    | HESPHA   | 2605  | 2,780  | Hold           | 2216   | 44.4  | 47.2  | 52.0  | 71.4  | 58.7  | 55.2  | 50.1  | 36.5  | 16.2 12.8  | 14.3   | 17.3  | 16.5 15.5  | 15.1  | 17.8  |
| API/CRAMS             |          |       |        |                |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |            |        |       |            |       |       |
| Divi's Lab            | DIVLAB   | 4505  | 5,335  | Buy            | 119584 | 74.7  | 107.8 | 108.4 | 126.4 | 60.3  | 41.8  | 41.6  | 35.6  | 27.6 30.1  | 27.7   | 27.5  | 21.3 25.4  | 21.7  | 21.6  |
| Hikal                 | HIKCHE   | 397   | 500    | Buy            | 4891   | 10.8  | 14.6  | 17.1  | 22.6  | 36.7  | 27.1  | 23.1  | 17.5  | 15.1 15.7  | 16.0   | 19.1  | 14.3 16.7  | 16.8  | 18.8  |
| Syngene Int.          | SYNINT   | 629   | 730    | Buy            | 25196  | 10.1  | 9.9   | 11.4  | 15.5  | 62.1  | 63.7  | 55.3  | 40.6  | 11.5 11.7  | 12.2   | 15.7  | 13.5 12.9  | 12.3  | 14.4  |
| Granules India        | GRANUL   | 282   | 360    | Buy            | 7000   | 22.2  | 16.2  | 19.4  | 25.8  | 12.7  | 17.4  | 14.5  | 11.0  | 24.0 16.2  | 17.4   | 20.2  | 25.3 15.8  | 16.1  | 17.8  |
| Laurus Labs           | LAULAB   | 585   | 690    | Buy            | 31436  | 18.3  | 15.4  | 20.6  | 26.5  | 32.0  | 38.0  | 28.4  | 22.0  | 31.7 21.3  |        | 24.7  | 37.9 24.7  | 25.5  | 25.3  |
| Suven Pharmaceuticals | SUVPH    | 601   | 555    | Hold           | 15297  | 14.2  | 18.3  | 17.7  | 19.8  | 42.2  | 32.9  | 34.0  | 30.4  | 31.2 35.0  | 28.7   | 26.6  | 30.7 29.6  | 23.2  | 21.3  |

Source: ICICI Direct Research

FY22

901.6

251.5

FY21

1,072.6

205.1

₹ crore

FY24E

1,426.0

414.1

FY23E

1,107.7

323.1

-95.2

34.4

638.8

## **Financial Summary**

| Exhibit 15: Profit and loss statement ₹ crore |         |         |         |         |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| (Year-end March)                              | FY21    | FY22    | FY23E   | FY24E   |
| Revenues                                      | 4,813.5 | 4,935.6 | 6,439.4 | 7,750.4 |
| Growth (%)                                    | 70.0    | 2.5     | 30.5    | 20.4    |
| Raw Material Expenses                         | 2,158.2 | 2,193.8 | 2,959.5 | 3,428.3 |
| Employee Expenses                             | 434.1   | 501.5   | 643.9   | 793.5   |
| Other Manufacturing Expenses                  | 670.6   | 817.8   | 989.7   | 1,201.3 |
| Total Operating Expenditure                   | 3,262.8 | 3,513.1 | 4,593.2 | 5,423.1 |
| EBITDA  | 1,550.7 | 1,422.4 | 1,846.2 | 2,327.4 |
| Growth (%)                                    | 176.4   | -8.3    | 29.8    | 26.1    |
| Interest                                      | 68.2    | 102.4   | 118.4   | 102.4   |
| Depreciation                                  | 205.1   | 251.5   | 323.1   | 414.1   |
| Other Income                                  | 23.7    | 15.3    | 32.2    | 38.8    |
| PBT before Exceptional Items                  | 1,301.1 | 1,083.9 | 1,436.9 | 1,849.7 |
| Less: Forex & Exceptional Items               | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     |
| PBT   | 1,301.1 | 1,083.9 | 1,436.9 | 1,849.7 |
| Total Tax                                     | 317.3   | 251.4   | 323.3   | 416.2   |
| PAT before MI                                 | 983.8   | 832.4   | 1,113.6 | 1,433.5 |
| Minority Interest                             | 0.2     | 4.7     | 5.9     | 7.5     |
| PAT   | 983.6   | 827.5   | 1,107.7 | 1,426.0 |
| Adjusted PAT                                  | 983.6   | 827.5   | 1,107.7 | 1,426.0 |
| Growth (%)                                    | 285.3   | -15.9   | 33.9    | 28.7    |
| EPS   | 18.3    | 15.4    | 20.6    | 26.5    |
| EPS (Adjusted)                                | 18.3    | 15.4    | 20.6    | 26.5    |

| rida. Boprodiation a ranortization  | 200.1    | 201.0  | 020.1    |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|--------|----------|----------|
| Net Increase in Current Assets      | -1,199.1 | -241.7 | -952.2   | -618.4   |
| Net Increase in Current Liabilities | 605.1    | -100.0 | 407.8    | 414.8    |
| Others                              | 49.4     | 99.6   | 118.4    | 102.4    |
| CF from operating activities        | 733.1    | 911.1  | 1,004.8  | 1,738.8  |
| (Inc)/dec in Investments            | -0.2     | -39.3  | 27.4     | 0.0      |
| (Inc)/dec in Fixed Assets           | -928.4   | -876.7 | -1,100.0 | -1,100.0 |
| Others                              | -12.4    | 2.1    | 16.5     | 18.2     |
| CF from investing activities        | -941.0   | -913.9 | -1,056.1 | -1,081.8 |
| Inc / (Dec) in Equity Capital       | 7.4      | 4.3    | 0.0      | 0.0      |
| Proceeds/(Repayment) Loan           | 391.1    | 270.2  | 300.0    | -300.0   |
| Dividend & Dividend Tax             | -75.0    | -85.9  | -110.8   | -142.6   |
| Interest                            | -58.0    | -85.0  | -118.4   | -102.4   |
| Others                              | -10.67   | -73.43 | 0.00     | 0.00     |
| CF from financing activities        | 254.7    | 30.3   | 70.8     | -545.0   |
| Net Cash flow                       | 46.8     | 27.4   | 19.5     | 112.0    |
| Opening Cash                        | 1.7      | 48.5   | 75.9     | 95.5     |
| Closing Cash                        | 48.5     | 75.9   | 95.5     | 207.5    |
| FOF                                 | 405.0    | 044    | 05.0     | 0000     |

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Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

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Exhibit 16: Cash flow statement

(Year-end March)

Profit/(Loss) after taxation

Add: Depreciation & Amortization

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

| Exhibit 17: Balance Sheet     |         |         |         | ₹ crore |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| (Year-end March)              | FY21    | FY22    | FY23E   | FY24E   |
| Equity Capital                | 107.3   | 107.5   | 107.5   | 107.5   |
| Reserve and Surplus           | 2,490.2 | 3,243.7 | 4,240.7 | 5,524.1 |
| Total Shareholders fund       | 2,597.6 | 3,351.2 | 4,348.2 | 5,631.5 |
| Total Debt                    | 1,481.7 | 1,914.6 | 2,214.6 | 1,914.6 |
| Minority Interest             | 3.2     | 7.9     | 7.9     | 7.9     |
| Deferred Tax Liability        | 19.2    | 69.1    | 76.0    | 83.6    |
| Other Non Current Liabilities | 155.0   | 150.2   | 165.3   | 181.8   |
| Long term Provisions          | 63.2    | 72.7    | 79.9    | 87.9    |
| Source of Funds               | 4,319.8 | 5,565.6 | 6,891.8 | 7,907.3 |
| Gross Block - Fixed Assets    | 2,781.7 | 3,515.0 | 4,615.0 | 5,915.0 |
| Accumulated Depreciation      | 857.4   | 1,108.8 | 1,431.9 | 1,845.9 |
| Net Block                     | 1,924.3 | 2,406.2 | 3,183.1 | 4,069.1 |
| Capital WIP                   | 362.2   | 813.2   | 813.2   | 613.2   |
| Net Fixed Assets              | 2,286.5 | 3,219.4 | 3,996.3 | 4,682.3 |
| Total Intangible Assets       | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     |
| Investments                   | 3.4     | 30.8    | 3.4     | 3.4     |
| Goodwill on Consolidation     | 246.3   | 246.3   | 246.3   | 246.3   |
| Inventory                     | 1,575.5 | 1,760.3 | 2,296.6 | 2,551.9 |
| Cash                          | 48.5    | 75.9    | 95.5    | 207.5   |
| Debtors                       | 1,306.1 | 1,354.2 | 1,766.8 | 2,126.5 |
| Loans & Advances & Other CA   | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     |
| Total Current Assets          | 3,074.9 | 3,344.6 | 4,316.4 | 5,046.8 |
| Creditors                     | 1,178.7 | 876.4   | 1,231.6 | 1,588.5 |
| Provisions & Other CL         | 252.2   | 526.0   | 578.6   | 636.5   |
| Total Current Liabilities     | 1,430.9 | 1,402.4 | 1,810.2 | 2,225.0 |
| Net Current Assets            | 1,644.0 | 1,942.2 | 2,506.1 | 2,821.7 |
| LT L& A, Other Assets         | 139.6   | 126.9   | 139.6   | 153.6   |
| Deferred Tax Assets           | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     |
| Application of Funds          | 4,319.8 | 5,565.6 | 6,891.8 | 7,907.3 |

| Exhibit 18: Key ratios |       |       |       |       |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| (Year-end March)       | FY21  | FY22  | FY23E | FY24E |
| Per share data (₹)     |       |       |       |       |
| EPS                    | 18.3  | 15.4  | 20.6  | 26.5  |
| Cash EPS               | 19.4  | 18.5  | 24.6  | 31.6  |
| BV per share           | 48.3  | 62.4  | 80.9  | 104.8 |
| DPS                    | 2.7   | 1.5   | 2.1   | 2.7   |
| Cash Per Share         | 16.0  | 20.6  | 26.6  | 34.4  |
| Operating Ratios (%)   |       |       |       |       |
| Gross margins          | 55.2  | 55.5  | 54.0  | 55.8  |
| EBITDA margins         | 32.2  | 28.8  | 28.7  | 30.0  |
| Net Profit margins     | 20.4  | 16.8  | 17.2  | 18.4  |
| Cash Conversion cycle  | 166.1 | 247.2 | 231.5 | 202.7 |
| Asset Turnover         | 1.7   | 1.4   | 1.4   | 1.3   |
| EBITDA conversion rate | 47.3  | 64.1  | 54.4  | 74.7  |
| Return Ratios (%)      |       |       |       |       |
| RoE                    | 37.9  | 24.7  | 25.5  | 25.3  |
| RoCE                   | 31.7  | 21.3  | 22.6  | 24.7  |
| RoIC                   | 34.4  | 25.0  | 25.5  | 27.0  |
| Valuation Ratios (x)   |       |       |       |       |
| P/E                    | 31.9  | 37.9  | 28.3  | 22.0  |
| EV / EBITDA            | 21.1  | 23.3  | 18.1  | 14.2  |
| EV / Revenues          | 6.8   | 6.7   | 5.2   | 4.3   |
| Market Cap / Revenues  | 6.5   | 6.4   | 4.9   | 4.0   |
| Price to Book Value    | 12.1  | 9.4   | 7.2   | 5.6   |
| Solvency Ratios        |       |       |       |       |
| Debt / Equity          | 0.6   | 0.6   | 0.5   | 0.3   |
| Debt / EBITDA          | 1.0   | 1.3   | 1.2   | 0.8   |
| Current Ratio          | 2.1   | 2.3   | 2.3   | 2.2   |

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

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Buy: >15%

Hold: -5% to 15%;

Reduce: -15% to -5%;

Sell: <-15%



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