

BUY

Company Update

Stock Details		
Market cap (Rs mn)	:	7720
52-wk Hi/Lo (Rs)	:	86 / 23
Face Value (Rs)	:	1
3M Avg. daily vol (Nos)	:	319,775
Shares o/s (mn)	:	257.3

Source:Bloomberg

Financial Summary

Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY18	FY19E	FY20E
Revenue	8,351	10,386	11,428
Growth (%)	30.0	24.4	10.0
EBITDA	930	1,145	1,365
EBITDA margin (%)	11.1	11.0	11.9
PAT	516	589	690
EPS	2.0	2.3	2.7
EPS Growth (%)	(11.0)	14.3	17.1
BV (Rs/share)	29.1	30.9	33.2
Dividend/share (Rs)	0.4	0.4	0.4
ROE (%)	7.1	7.6	8.4
ROCE (%)	12.6	12.1	13.3
P/E (x)	14.9	13.1	11.2
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.5	8.2	6.5
P/BV (x)	1.1	1.0	0.9

Source: Company, Kotak Securities - PCG

Shareholding Pattern (%)

(%)	Sep-18	Jun-18	Mar-18
Promoters	50.5	50.5	50.5
FII	1.8	1.9	1.7
DII	9.2	9.4	8.6
Others	38.5	38.3	39.2

Source: Company

Price Performance (%)

(%)	1M	3M	6M
Genus Power	(17.5)	(24.6)	(49.0)
Nifty	(8.1)	(5.0)	(0.9)

Source: Bloomberg

Price chart (Rs)



Source: Bloomberg

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GENUS POWER INFRASTRUCTURE LTD

PRICE Rs.30 TARGET Rs.40

Genus has reported good order intake in the first half of the current fiscal. However, outlook on margins remains a key concern due to rise in commodity prices and INR depreciation.

Key Highlights

- Demand scenario for smart and prepaid meters remains strong.
- □ The company had an order book of Rs 9.7 bn at end of Q1FY19, which would have increased substantially on account of two major order wins, 1) Supply of 5 mn single phase Prepaid meters, valued at Rs 6.5 bn and 2) Supply of Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) including 4.31 Iakhs smart meters. The value of the order is pegged at Rs. 3.1 bn (net of tax).
- ☐ However, pricing pressure likely to continue as the government aims to reduce cost of smart meters procurement

Valuation and Outlook

The stock is trading at 13.1x and 11.2x FY19E and FY20E earnings respectively. Deteriorating macroeconomic parameters, sell off in mid and small caps and cost pressures from commodity prices and forex fluctuation has weighed on the stock price, in our view. We now value the stock at 15x FY20E and arrive at a price target of Rs 40 (Rs 58 earlier, at 16x FY20E). Reiterate BUY due to reasonable valuations, healthy profit growth and adequate upside.

Industry Scenario

Demand scenario for smart meter/(AMI) and prepaid meters remains strong.

- Average level of consumer metering in India is around 89%, with 28 out of 50 Govt. owned Utilities showing more than 90% consumer metering. However, large number of consumers are still unmetered, with Electronic Meters or with defective meters, which does not enable proper accounting of energy.
- Government of India has requested states to go for smart/prepaid meters only in place of normal meters and exercise aggregation of quantities to achieve the benefits from economy of scale.
- The demand for smart metering market is set to witness robust growth on account of adoption of automated technologies across energy utilities to ensure load management, loss reduction and better customer service.
- The global market for smart meters is valued at USD 12.8 bn in 2017, and is expected to grow at a CAGR of 9.34% from 2017-2022.

Automated Meter Reading (AMI)/Smart Meters - Major benefits

- AMI systems are used for metering as well as monitoring the energy uses by consumer and its control near real-time meter readings, power outage notification, load disconnection/re-connection and power quality monitoring.
- For allowing different prices for consumption based on the time of day and season, which can be used to reduce peaks in demand.
- AMI/Smart meters can offer benefits to Utilities/consumers including AT&C loss reduction



Prepaid meters - Major benefits

- Prepaid meters require customer to make advance payment before use of electricity. If available credit is exhausted then supply of electricity is disconnected by the relay, which is reconnected only when consumer recharges credit again.
- Prepaid metering of electricity enhances utility revenue and reduces costs in multiple ways: accelerated cash-flow; theft avoidance; bad debt reduction; no cost towards meter reading & billing; lower administrative costs; advance demand planning; and no disconnect/re-connect costs

Policy in place for smart meters, but progress has been slow

The National Tariff Policy 2016 had mandated that consumers with monthly consumption of over 500 units (or kilowatt hour) had to be switched to smart meters by December 2017; for consumers whose monthly usage is between 200 and more, the deadline is December 2019. However, progress with implementation has been weak, though the intent is there. For instance, only 180,000 out of 18.3 million units consuming 200-5000 units (or 1%) have made the switch. Having said that several private distribution utilities and franchisees are interested in migrating their existing conventional meters infrastructure to smart meter and advanced metering infrastructure.

Strong order book

After a lackluster growth in orders in FY17, Genus announced major order wins in FY18, which has continued well into FY19 as well.

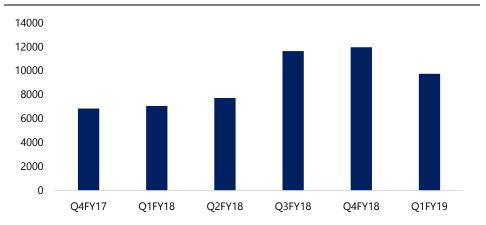
With several smart meters and prepaid tenders in the pipeline, we believe that order intake will remain strong in the medium term.

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Order book (Rs mn)



Source: Company



However, pricing pressure likely to continue as the government aims to reduce cost of smart meters procurement

With a view to reduce the cost of smart meter deployment, the EESL has been encouraging competition in its bulk smart meter tenders. In a recent tender, Inhe Meters, a Chinese meter manufacturer, along with its Indian partner Jay Motors quoted a price of Rs 2,000 per meter against the market price of about Rs 3,500 for such interactive devices. Given the increased commodity cost pressures exacerbated by INR depreciation, domestic manufacturers like Genus are concerned with the competitive pricing, quality of the meters supplied and execution capability of the suppliers. Some smart meters makers like Landys&Gyr, Secure Meters and Aspen Electric have not participated in the tender.

Earnings Revision

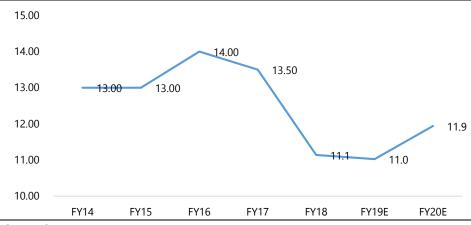
We have revised our earnings which is mainly due to lower forecast margins in FY19E in view of the higher commodity prices and INR depreciation.

Eearnings revision

	1	FY19	FY20		
(Rs mn)	Earlier	Revised	Earlier	Revised	
Revenue	10,247.0	10,385.7	12,416.0	11,428.3	
EBITDA %	11.8	11.0	12.4	11.9	
EPS	2.8	2.3	3.6	2.7	
% change		(18)		(25)	

Source: Kotak Securities - Private Client Research

EBITDA Margin trend



Source: Company

Earnings Outlook

On the basis of the strong order book, we project healthy revenue growth of 17% CAGR over FY18-20E.

Forecast EPS to grow from Rs 2.0 per share in FY18E to Rs 2.7 per share in FY20E.



Valuations

The Genus power stock has corrected sharply by 64% from its high of Rs86. The stock is trading at 13.1x and 11.2x FY19E and FY20E earnings respectively.

Deteriorating macroeconomic parameters, sell off in mid and small caps and cost pressures from commodity prices and forex fluctuation has weighed on the stock price, in our view. We have built in these concerns/risks in our earnings projections and target price. Other risks include irrational competition from rivals/foreign players in bidding for the smart meter tenders. Slippage in actual delivery versus the management guidance also remains a concern area for the company and the management should take cognizance of the same for future. We now value the stock at 15x FY20E and arrive at a price target of Rs 40 (Rs 58 earlier, at 16x FY20E). Reiterate BUY due to reasonable valuations, healthy profit growth and adequate upside.

Company Background

Genus is the flagship company of the USD 400 million Kailash group. The company primarily manufactures and distributes Electric meters (EMs)and hybrid microcircuits as well as executes power distribution management projects in India and across the world. It manufactures the entire range of EMs, ie from transformer meters to household and industrial meters. The company also has a rich clientele that includes the state electricity boards (SEBs) as well as private utility firms like Reliance Energy, the Torrent Group, Tata Power and JSW Energy.



Financials: Standalone

Profit and Loss Statement (Rs mn)

(Year-end Mar)	FY17	FY18	FY19E	FY20E
Revenues	6,424	8,351	10,386	11,428
% change yoy	(25.1)	30.0	24.4	10.0
EBITDA	866	930	1,145	1,365
% change yoy	(30.3)	7.4	23.1	19.2
Depreciation	153	171	183	210
EBIT	712	759	962	1,155
% change yoy	(35.4)	6.5	26.7	20.1
Net Interest	249	228	272	347
Other Income	240	220	104	125
Earnings Before Tax	704	751	794	933
% change yoy	(26.3)	6.7	5.7	17.6
Tax	125	235	204	243
as % of EBT	17.7	31.3	25.7	26.0
Net Income adj	579	516	589	690
% change yoy	(23.9)	(11.0)	14.3	17.1
Exceptional items	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Reported Net Income	579	516	589	690
Shares outstanding (m)	256.9	256.9	256.9	256.9
EPS (Rs)	2.3	2.0	2.3	2.7
DPS (Rs)	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
CEPS	2.9	2.7	3.0	3.5

Source: Company, Kotak Securities – Private Client Research

Cash flow Statement (Rs mn)

(Year-end Mar)	FY17	FY18	FY19E	FY20E
PBDIT	866	930	1,145	1,365
Tax and adjustments	(232)	126	(204)	(243)
Cash flow from operations	634	1,056	941	1,122
Net Change in Working Capita	al 471	(1,061)	(851)	(30)
Net Cash from Operations	1,105	(4)	89	1,093
Capital Expenditure	(351)	(260)	(250)	(270)
Cash from investing	(593)	201	104	125
Net Cash from Investing	(944)	(59)	(146)	(145)
Interest paid	(249)	(228)	(272)	(347)
Issue of Shares	0	0	-	-
Dividends Paid	(108)	(108)	(127)	(123)
Debt Raised	(128)	178	534	500
Net cash from financing	(484)	(158)	135	30
Net change in cash	(323)	(221)	79	977
Free cash flow	754	(264)	(161)	823
cash at end	568	377	456	1,433

Source: Company, Kotak Securities – Private Client Research

Balancesheet(Rsmn)

(Year-end Mar)	FY17	FY18	FY19E	FY20E
Cash and cash equivalents	568	377	456	1,433
Accounts receivable	3,305	5,083	5,975	6,262
Stocks	1,160	1,956	2,419	2,661
Loans and Advances	-	-	-	-
Others	61	102	102	102
Current Assets	5,094	7,518	8,952	10,458
LT investments	3,242	3,083	3,082	3,082
Net fixed assets	1,620	1,655	1,721	1,781
Intangible assets	16	12	12	12
Deferred tax assets	459	367	367	367
CWIP	-	19	19	19
Other non current assets	385	563	563	563
Total Assets	10,815	13,216	14,716	16,283
Payables	942	2,497	3,000	3,500
Provisions	31	104	104	104
Current liabilities	973	2,601	3,104	3,604
LT debt	2,199	2,377	2,911	3,411
Other liab	598	735	735	735
Equity & reserves	7,045	7,485	7,951	8,518
Total Liabilities	10,815	13,216	14,716	16,283
BVPS (Rs)	27.4	29.1	30.9	33.2
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Ratio Analysis

(Year-end Mar)	FY17	FY18	FY19E	FY20E
EBITDA margin (%)	13.5	11.1	11.0	11.9
EBIT margin (%)	11.1	9.1	9.3	10.1
Net profit margin (%)	9.0	6.2	5.7	6.0
Adjusted EPS growth (%)	-23.9	-11.0	14.3	17.1
Possivables (days)	187.8	222.2	210.0	200.0
Receivables (days)				
Inventory (days)	65.9	85.5	85.0	85.0
Sales / Net Fixed Assets (x)	4.0	5.0	6.0	6.4
ROE (%)	8.5	7.1	7.6	8.4
ROCE (%)	11.8	12.6	12.1	13.3
TV// Color	1.3	1.1	0.0	0.8
EV/ Sales			0.9	
EV/EBITDA	9.8	9.5	8.2	6.5
Price to earnings (P/E)	13.3	14.9	13.1	11.2
Price to book value (P/B)	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9
Price to cash earnings	10.5	11.2	10.0	8.6

Source: Company, Kotak Securities – Private Client Research



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