CRAFTSMAN AUTOMATION LIMITED Auto Component Decent numbers in Q4, robust growth expectations going forward

CAL's Q4 numbers were strong despite challenging environment. Revenues grew by 22% yoy and 18% qoq to ₹6.6 bn. Power train business expanded 17.4% yoy as CV industry is growing at a strong pace. The segmental EBIT margins were reported at 25.5% v/s 27.3% yoy and 23.8% qoq. Automotive Aluminum products business has grown by 16.5% yoy and 12% qoq to ₹1.32 bn as the company gained new businesses in exports and also due to price hikes seen in aluminum. At EBIT levels the margins were at 1% v/s 4% qoq and 0.9% yoy. In the industrial Engineering segment, revenues moved up by 37.4% yoy and 38.4% qoq to ₹1.86bn as the storage business grew well, while the margins grew significantly high at 16.1% v/s 14.7% yoy and 8% qoq as storage business grew in a solid manner. Overall EBITDA margins came in at 23.6%, up by 50 bps yoy and down by 450 bps yoy on higher RM costs, and also led by margin fall at Aluminium division. PAT grew by 37.5% qoq and 9% yoy. In FY 22, Total topline grew by 42.7% to ₹22 bn, while EBITDA grew by 22%. Margins at EBITDA level were at 24%, down from 28.4% in FY21. PAT grew by 7% in FY22 to ₹1.6 bn.

Power-train business growth target set at more than 20% in FY23E and FY24E

The power-train business (52% of topline and 79% of EBIT margins in FY22) is driven mainly by the CV OEMs who are 54% at the end of Q4 v/s 51% qoq. With rise in CV industry and thereby sales of CV OEMs, CAL's Power-train business saw a healthy growth in the quarter at 17.4% yoy. Margins came in close to 26% v/s 27% yoy. However, there was some drop in Value Addition as it was impacted by machining revenues as FES business shrunk. The company has won an order for PV cylinder block from a big OEM as it intends to divert business from Europe to India under its localization plans. FY22 Power-train business has grown by 42.3% yoy on the back of solid surge in CV business especially HCV business which contributed 85% of the CV portfolio of CAL. Therefore we expect 25% growth in FY23E as against 20% expectations by management on the back of strong trends seen in the underlying CV industry in the current fiscal. We believe this to happen quite comfortably as we expect the CVs to grow at >20% this year. Also FY23 has started on a good note for the farm sector, due to which we expect tractor revenues to come back on track in the current fiscal, thus to assist growth in this division.

Key Financials	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23E	FY 24E
Total Sales (₹ bn)	15,463	22,065	28,374	34,665
EBITDA margins (%)	28.1%	24.0%	25.9%	27.5%
PAT margins (%)	6.3%	7.3%	9.9%	12.3%
EPS (₹)	48.0	76.0	133.5	202.3
P/E (x)	46.8	29.6	16.8	11.1
P/BV (x)	4.7	4.2	3.4	2.7
EV/EBITDA (x)	11.7	9.9	7.0	5.2
ROE (%)	10.0%	14.1%	20.3%	24.1%
ROCE (%)	15.4%	19.1%	26.4%	31.6%
Dividend yield (%)	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%	0.9%

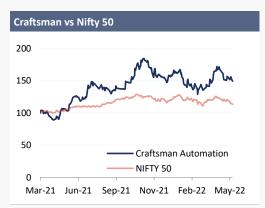
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Rating	BUY
Current Market Price (₹)	2,247
12 M Price Target (₹)	2,832
Potential upside (%)	26

Stock Data	
FV (₹) :	5
Total Market Cap (₹ bn) :	47
Free Float Market Cap (₹ bn)	: 12
52-Week High / Low (₹) :	2,778 / 1,460
2-Year High / Low (₹) :	2,778 / 1,245
1 Yr Avg. Dly Traded Volume (in lakh) 0.45
BSE Code / NSE Symbol	543276 / CRAFTSMAN
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Shareholding Pattern						
(%)	Mar-22	Dec-21	Sep-21	Jun-21		
Promoter	59.76	59.76	59.76	59.76		
FPIs	3.55	3.70	3.73	3.71		
MFs	8.69	8.64	8.24	7.64		
AIFs	5.38	5.32	5.26	5.26		
Insurance	0.75	0.55	0.85	1.20		
Marina III (SG)	5.48	5.48	5.48	5.48		
IFC	4.79	4.79	4.79	4.79		
Others	11.60	11.76	11.89	12.16		
Source: BSE						

Price Performance							
(%)	1M	3M	6M	1YR			
Craftsman	-8.7%	10.9%	-9.7%	11.7%			
Nifty 50	-8.5%	-7.0%	-9.5%	3.0%			
* To date / current date : May 11, 2022							



Automotive Aluminum products business to get a fillip from new business wins

Despite 2W industry facing challenging times, CAL's Aluminum products business performed well in the quarter as other clients like M&M, Daimler and foreign clients supported the business. After the company won a new client in Brazil in the form of Daimler Brazil, a Japanese manufacturer is expected to give a big order to CAL for aluminum gear boxes. Revenues coming from Daimler are now ₹800-900 mn which includes the Brazil business as well, however the dependence on Daimler is now reducing. Electrification in Europe is also leading to a good demand for the light-weighted Aluminum products of CAL. The company is also in talks with a North American company for long lasting business over there. The PSA opportunity at ₹2-2.5 bn is quite big and will pour revenues over the next 5 years achieving peak in FY24. In FY22, the segmental topline grew by 34%. Management targets ₹10 bn to come from this business in FY23 on the back of these new business wins and also a 10% margins in FY23 as well. We expect this business to grow at 40%/30% in FY 23E/FY 24E with margins expanding as business flows in.

YE Mar (₹ mn)	Q4 FY22	Q3 FY22	% qoq	Q4 FY21	% уоу
Revenues	6,567	5,541	18.5%	5,372	22.2%
Total RM costs	3,229	2,537	27.3%	2,326	38.8%
Employee expenses	463	535	-13.6%	445	4.0%
Other expenses	1,325	1,191	11.2%	1,093	21.3%
EBITDA	1,550	1,278	21.3%	1,508	2.8%
Margins (%)	23.6%	23.1%	50 bps	28.1%	(450 bps)
Depreciation	545	521	4.6%	501	8.7%
EBIT	1,005	757	32.9%	1,007	-0.2%
Other income	43	19	129.5%	30	46.6%
Interest costs	238	202	17.8%	300	-20.7%
PBT	811	574	41.4%	737	10.1%
Тах	296	199	48.7%	264	12.1%
Net profits	514	374	37.5%	472	8.9%
EPS (₹)	24	18	37.5%	22	8.8%

Quarterly Financial Snapshot

Source: Company, LKP Research

Industrial & Engineering business margins expanded as storage business flourished

Revenues in this segment grew by 38.4% yoy on the back of strong surge in storage revenues which were at ₹2.53 bn in FY22 v/s ₹1.04 bn yoy in FY21. This expansion led to margin surge of the segment (16.1%) in Q4 as bulk of the storage revenues came in Q4. Q4 margins grew more than double sequentially. Management believes storage business will expand and assist margins at 12-15% at least in the coming years. Positivity in the FMCG, pharma and e-comm businesses should lead to strong profitable growth in this business in the ensuing years.

Outlook and Valuation

We believe the Power train business will be driven by expected pick up in Replacement cycle for HCVs in the coming quarters and also fresh demand risen by movement in the investment capex cycle of the country. Dieselization demand from all over the world and localization of diesel vehicle demand should lead to strong demand of >25% for Power trains. Rising infrastructure growth, construction, mining, agri-commodities transportation, increasing freight rates etc will all lead to a very strong revival in the CV industry. Exports business (now 10% of topline supported by Africa) and electrification shall drive the Automotive Aluminum business. New orders from clients like PSA, Daimler and geographies like Brazil, North America, Europe shall diversify the business risks. Storage business shall lead to a strong growth in the Industrial Engg business.

We believe margin strength to come back in this business with the pandemic risk becoming lesser and lesser day by day. The company has also been winning orders in various business lines which will add to numbers in the following quarters. The company is expanding its business at a low capex of just ₹2.15-2.2 bn as the utilization rates are still low (60-70% for Powertrain business and 57% for Aluminium Products business). With such a low capex also the company expects strong growth across the board. Capex shall expand with new business wins if required. We also believe the valuation multiples shall expand from current levels on the back of improving ROE and the exciting story going forward. We therefore value CAL at 14x FY24E earnings as it currently trades at 11.1x. Maintain BUY with a target of ₹2,832.

Income Statement

(₹ mn)	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23E	FY 24E
Total Revenues	15,463	22,065	28,374	34,665
Raw Material Cost	6,595	10,309	12,910	15,253
Employee Cost	1,429	1,861	2,469	3,120
Other Exp	3,098	4,603	5,646	6,760
EBITDA	4,340	5,293	7,349	9,533
EBITDA Margin(%)	28.1%	24.0%	25.9%	27.5%
Depreciation	1,924	2,060	2,304	2,368
EBIT	2,416	3,233	5,045	7,165
EBIT Margin(%)	15.6%	14.7%	17.8%	20.7%
Other Income	132	93	90	100
Interest	1073	842	801	699
PBT	1,476	2,483	4,334	6,566
PBT Margin(%)	9.5%	11.3%	15.3%	18.9%
Тах	508	880	1,517	2,298
Adjusted PAT	968	1,604	2,817	4,268
APAT Margins (%)	6.3%	7.3%	9.9%	12.3%
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Key Ratios

YE Mar	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23E	FY 24E
Per Share Data (₹)				
Adj. EPS	48.0	76.0	133.5	202.3
CEPS	143.5	173.6	242.7	314.5
BVPS	481.1	538.3	658.4	840.5
DPS	0.0	0.0	13.4	20.2
Growth Ratios(%)				
Total revenues	4.2%	42.7%	28.6%	22.2%
EBITDA	11.0%	21.9%	38.9%	29.7%
EBIT	24.1%	33.8%	56.1%	42.0%
PAT	128.1%	65.8%	75.6%	51.5%
Valuation Ratios (X)				
PE	46.8	29.6	16.8	11.1
P/CEPS	15.7	12.9	9.3	7.1
P/BV	4.7	4.2	3.4	2.7
EV/Sales	3.3	2.4	1.8	1.4
EV/EBITDA	11.7	9.9	7.0	5.2
Operating Ratios (Days)				
Inventory days	95.7	103.6	92.0	92.0
Recievable Days	56.4	49.0	47.0	45.0
Payables day	67.5	59.4	57.0	53.0
Net Debt/Equity (x)	0.60	0.46	0.34	0.25
Profitability Ratios (%)				
ROCE	15.4%	19.1%	26.4%	31.6%
ROE	10.0%	14.1%	20.3%	24.1%
Dividend payout ratio (%)	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%	10.0%
Dividend yield(%)	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%	1.0%

Balance Sheet

(₹ mn)	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23E	FY 24E
Equity and Liabilities				
Equity Share Capital	106	106	106	106
Reserves & Surplus	9,589	11,252	13,787	17,628
Total Networth	9,694	11,357	13,893	17,734
Total debt	4,372	3,738	3,338	3,038
Deferred tax assets/liabilities	684	1,168	1,168	1,168
Other curent liabilities	923	704	704	704
Total non-current liab & provs	5,979	5,610	5,210	4,910
Current Liabilities				
Trade payables	3,523	4,626	4,431	5,034
Short term provis+ borrowings	1,465	1,566	1,566	1,566
Other current liabilities	2,858	3,589	3,589	3,589
Total current liab and provs	7,846	9,781	9,586	10,189
Total Equity & Liabilities	23,519	26,748	28,689	32,832
Assets				
Net block	14,203	14,537	14,734	14,865
Capital WIP	320	420	520	620
Other non current assets	1,244	1,495	1,495	1,495
Total fixed assets	15,789	16,453	16,749	16,981
Cash and cash equivalents(i)	467	435	501	2,207
Inventories	4,056	6,264	7,152	8,737
Trade receivables	2,389	2,962	3,654	4,274
Other current assets	817	634	634	634
Total current Assets	7,729	10,295	11,940	15,852
Total Assets	23,519	26,748	28,689	32,833

Cash Flow

(₹ mn)	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23E	FY 24E
PBT	1,476	2,484	4,334	6,566
Depreciation	1,924	2,060	2,304	2,368
Interest	1,109	770	801	699
Chng in working capital	-314	-1,409	-1,774	-1,603
Tax paid	-227	-368	-1,517	-2,298
Other operating activities	-338	0	0	0
Cash flow from operations (a)	3,624	3,272	4,289	5,731
Capital expenditure	-993	-2,129	-2,600	-2,600
Chng in investments	0	0	0	0
Other investing activities	44	40	0	0
Cash flow from investing (b)	-949	-2,089	-2,600	-2,600
Free cash flow (a+b)	2,675	1,183	1,689	3,131
Inc/dec in borrowings	-3,223	10	-400	-300
Dividend paid (incl. tax)	0	0	-282	-427
Interest paid	-1,093	-769	-801	-699
Other financing activities	-100	-423	0	0
Proceeds from issue of equity shares	1,456	-19	0	0
Cash flow from financing (c)	-2,960	-1,200	-1,483	-1,425
Net chng in cash (a+b+c)	-286	-18	206	1,706
Closing cash & cash equivalents	312	294	501	2,207

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