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## **Q1FY23 Result Update**

☑ Change in Estimates | ☑ Target | ■ Reco

## **Change in Estimates**

	Cur	rent	Prev	Previous			
	FY23E	FY24E	FY23E	FY24E			
Rating	В	UY	В	UY			
Target Price	7	40	7	750			
Sales (Rs. m)	42,796	49,732	41,939	48,772			
% Chng.	2.0	2.0					
EBITDA (Rs. m)	7,952	9,696	8,373	9,794			
% Chng.	(5.0)	(1.0)					
EPS (Rs.)	40.4	49.0	44.1	49.9			
% Chng.	(8.3)	(1.6)					

#### **Key Financials - Standalone**

Y/e Mar	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Sales (Rs. m)	23,956	35,798	42,796	49,732
EBITDA (Rs. m)	4,168	6,994	7,952	9,696
Margin (%)	17.4	19.5	18.6	19.5
PAT (Rs. m)	2,292	3,493	3,648	4,424
EPS (Rs.)	25.4	38.7	40.4	49.0
Gr. (%)	39.2	52.4	4.5	21.3
DPS (Rs.)	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
Yield (%)	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.7
RoE (%)	15.2	19.8	17.6	18.2
RoCE (%)	16.0	25.0	22.9	23.9
EV/Sales (x)	2.0	1.3	1.1	0.9
EV/EBITDA (x)	11.5	6.9	6.2	4.8
PE (x)	22.2	14.6	13.9	11.5
P/BV (x)	3.1	2.7	2.3	1.9

Key Data	SHCR.BO   SHCR IN
52-W High / Low	Rs.769 / Rs.286
Sensex / Nifty	55,766 / 16,631
Market Cap	Rs.51bn/ \$ 638m
Shares Outstanding	90m
3M Avg. Daily Value	Rs.209.51m

## **Shareholding Pattern (%)**

Promoter's	74.82
Foreign	2.16
Domestic Institution	12.76
Public & Others	10.26
Promoter Pledge (Rs bn)	-

#### Stock Performance (%)

	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	(5.9)	7.3	63.4
Relative	(11.0)	11.3	55.2

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## **Sharda Cropchem (SHCR IN)**

Rating: BUY | CMP: Rs564 | TP: Rs740

# Healthy revenue growth offset by adverse margins..!!

#### **Quick Pointers:**

- Volume/Price/FX growth of -2.5%/+38%/-3.3% YoY respectively.
- Citing robust global demand SHCR maintains revenue growth guidance of 15-20% YoY in FY23E.

Sharda Cropchem (SHCR) reported strong revenue growth of 32% YoY in 1QFY23. However, adverse currency impact coupled with increased freight cost has in turn resulted into an overall miss into estimates. Key highlights are: (1) Volume/Price/FX growth of -2.5%/+38%/-3.3% YoY respectively; (2) gross margins contracted by 390bps YoY to 25.4% largely led by adverse forex impact (Euro/USD depreciated by 7% during 1Q); (3) While higher freight cost coupled with higher legal and professional charges and one-off impact of Rs121.5mn pertaining to loss on fair value of investments has resulted into an EBITDA margin contraction of 480bps YoY to 11.7% (incl. IU&AD write-off of Rs28mn) and (4) Working capital days up by 3 days YoY to 91.

Citing positive growth momentum across regions coupled with price hikes in the recent past, management remains confident of achieving 15-20% YoY revenue growth for FY23E, however adverse currency movement is likely to exert pressure on the margins in the near term. That said, factoring in adverse pressure on margins we trim our EPS estimates for FY23/24E by 8%/2% respectively. Maintain 'BUY' with a revised TP of Rs740 (earlier INR750) based on 15xFY24E EPS.

- Healthy revenue growth across regions: SCHR posted robust revenue growth of 32% YoY to Rs8.2bn (PLe- Rs6.8bn) primarily driven by favorable price realizations and product mix of 38% YoY partly offset by 2.5%/3.3% YoY decline in volumes and FX impact. Agrochemical revenues increased 15% YoY to Rs6.1bn; while non-agrochemicals revenues grew by 137% YoY to Rs2.0bn respectively. Robust performance was primarily on the back of higher agrochemicals growth across regions (barring LATAM down 2% YoY) with Europe/ NAFTA/ ROW up 24%/10%/22%/ YoY respectively. While, non-agrochemicals segment also posted whooping growth of 135% YoY supported by 146%/192%/10%/160% YoY growth in Europe/NAFTA/ROW/LATAM respectively.
- Adverse forex impact resulted into contraction in margins: SHCR reported strong revenue growth of 32% YoY largely led by favorable price and product mix. However, gross margins contracted by 390bps YoY to 25.4% was largely led by adverse forex impact (Euro/USD depreciated by 7% during 1Q). While higher freight cost up 31% YoY to Rs165mn coupled with higher legal and professional charges up 59% YoY to Rs490mn and one-off impact of Rs121.5mn (included in other expenses) pertaining to loss on fair value of investments has resulted into an EBITDA margin contraction of 480bps YoY to 11.7% (adj. IU&AD write-off). SHCR has written off Rs28mn against IU&AD write-offs in 1QFY23 v/s Rs35mn in 1QFY22 (Rs292mn in FY22).

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## Other key highlights

- Region-wise agrochemicals revenue break-up: Agrochemicals revenues in Europe/ NAFTA/ LATAM/ RoW grew by 24%/10%/18%/-2% YoY in 1QFY23.
- Category-wise Revenue break-up in 1QFY23: Herbicide /Fungicide /Insecticides contributed 58%/25%/17% to overall revenues, as against 48%/27%/25% respectively in the same period last year. For 1QFY23, category-wise revenue stood at Rs3.54bn/Rs1.56bn/Rs1.05bn +39%/+8%/-23% YoY respectively.
- Region-wise gross margins: For 1QFY23 Europe /NAFTA /LATAM /RoW stood at 31%/24%/17%/23% as against 39%/23%/17%/28% respectively in the same period last year.
- Capex: SCHR has spent Rs1.02bn of capex in 1QFY23 as against Rs635mn in the same period last year.
- Net Working Capital: stood at 91 days in 1QFY23 as against 88 days in 1QFY22.
- Maintains guidance: Citing a better global industry demand scenario coupled with comfortable inventory position globally, SHCR maintains its revenue growth and EBITDA guidance for FY23E with top-line growth of 15-20% YoY for next few years with margins likely to be maintained at 18-20% range. Working capital is likely to be maintained at FY22 levels.



Exhibit 1: Q1FY23 Result Overview (Rs mn)

Y/e March	Q1FY23	Q1FY22	YoY gr. (%)	Q4FY22	QoQ gr. (%)	FY23E	FY22	YoY gr. (%)
Revenue	8,245	6,227	32.4	14,345	(42.5)	42,796	35,798	19.5
Raw material costs	6,151	4,401	39.8	10,153	(39.4)	30,043	24,998	20.2
Gross profit	2,094	1,825	14.7	4,192	(50.1)	12,753	10,800	18.1
Employee costs	85	101	(15.9)	127	(33.6)	514	442	16.3
Other expenses	1,048	694	51.0	1,070	(2.0)	4,287	3,364	27.4
Total operating expenses	1,133	795	42.5	1,197	(5.4)	4,801	3,806	26.1
EBITDA	961	1,031	(6.7)	2,995	(67.9)	7,952	6,994	13.7
Depreciation	547	539	1.5	717	(23.7)	3,160	2,453	28.8
EBIT	414	491	(15.8)	2,278	(81.8)	4,792	4,540	5.5
Less: Interest Expense	8	6	24.7	7	4.0	23	22	3.9
Add : Other Income	-230	179	NA	-66	NA	95	124	(23.2)
Profit Before Tax	176	665	(73.5)	2,205	(92.0)	4,864	4,642	4.8
Less: Provision for Tax	-50	284	NA	435	NA	1,216	1,150	5.8
Adjusted Profit	226	381	(40.5)	1,770	(87.2)	3,648	3,493	4.5
Exceptional items	0	0		0		0	0	
Reported Profit	226	381	(40.5)	1,770	(87.2)	3,648	3,493	4.5
Equity capital (FV INR 10)	902	902		902		902	902	
No. of Diluted shares outstanding (mn)	90	90		90		90	90	
Adjusted Diluted EPS	2.5	4.2	(40.5)	19.6	(87.2)	40.4	38.7	4.5
As % of revenues								
COGS	74.6	70.7		70.8		70.2	69.8	
Gross profit	25.4	29.3		29.2		29.8	30.2	
Employee costs	1.0	1.6		0.9		1.2	1.2	
Other expenses	12.7	11.1		7.5		10.0	9.4	
Total operating expenses	13.7	12.8		8.3		11.2	10.6	
EBITDA	11.7	16.5		20.9		18.6	19.5	
Net profit	2.7	6.1		12.3		8.5	9.8	

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 2: Revenue break-up and growth (%)

Sales Breakup	Q1FY21	Q2FY21	Q3FY21	Q4FY21	Q1FY22	Q2FY22	Q3FY22	Q4FY22	Q1FY23
Agrochemicals	3,072	3,443	4,022	10,048	5,343	5,029	7,232	12,432	6,149
Non - Agrochemicals	817	805	916	834	884	1,399	1,566	1,913	2,097
Total	3,889	4,248	4,938	10,881	6,227	6,428	8,798	14,345	8,245
Growth %									
Agrochemicals	(2.4)	45.6	29.1	22.1	73.9	46.1	79.8	23.7	15.1
Non - Agrochemicals	(22.8)	(8.2)	28.7	56.2	8.2	73.9	71.0	129.4	137.2
Total	(7.5)	31.0	29.0	24.2	60.1	51.3	78.2	31.8	32.4

Source: Company, PL



Exhibit 3: Geography-wise analysis of revenue from agrochemicals segment

	Q1FY21	Q2FY21	Q3FY21	Q4FY21	Q1FY22	Q2FY22	Q3FY22	Q4FY22	Q1FY23
Europe	1,567	2,142	1,351	5,353	2,510	2,162	3,037	6,100	3,120
NAFTA	882	799	1,709	3,859	1,750	1,810	3,110	4,870	1,920
RoW	218	200	571	434	230	352	579	360	280
Latam	405	303	390	402	850	704	506	1,100	830
Total Agrochem Sales	3,072	3,443	4,022	10,048	5,340	5,029	7,232	12,430	6,150
Growth %									
Europe	(6.1)	61.1	34.3	14.4	60.2	1.0	124.8	14.0	24.3
NAFTA	(6.9)	40.7	24.1	34.8	98.5	126.6	81.9	26.2	9.7
RoW	3.4	4.2	41.0	5.9	5.5	76.3	1.3	(17.1)	21.7
Latam	26.3	9.5	19.3	46.2	109.6	132.4	29.8	173.6	(2.4)
Total	(2.4)	45.6	29.1	22.1	73.8	46.1	79.8	23.7	15.2

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 4: Geography-wise analysis of revenue from non-agrochemicals segment

	Q1FY21	Q2FY21	Q3FY21	Q4FY21	Q1FY22	Q2FY22	Q3FY22	Q4FY22	Q1FY23
Europe	299	250	262	265	240	420	595	540	590
NAFTA	340	359	438	352	390	700	689	1,100	1,140
RoW	149	130	131	158	210	210	235	170	230
Latam	29	65	85	59	50	70	47	100	130
Total	817	805	916	834	890	1,399	1,566	1,910	2,090
Growth %									
Europe	30.7	32.2	11.5	35.6	(19.7)	67.7	127.2	103.8	145.8
NAFTA	(18.3)	(13.1)	63.6	57.4	14.7	94.9	57.4	212.5	192.3
RoW	(59.3)	(46.3)	(12.4)	64.4	41.2	61.0	79.3	7.6	9.5
Latam	(22.8)	106.5	42.5	215.7	70.0	7.3	(44.9)	69.5	160.0
Total	(22.1)	(8.2)	28.7	56.2	8.9	73.9	71.0	129.0	134.8

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 5: Volume growth, pricing and forex impact on total sales growth

Particulars	Q1FY21	Q2FY21	Q3FY21	Q4FY21	Q1FY22	Q2FY22	Q3FY22	Q4FY22	Q1FY23
Volume	(3.7)	23.2	17.0	36.0	48.2	60.8	51.0	(11.0)	(2.5)
Price	(8.2)	2.4	5.0	(17.0)	8.2	(10.6)	26.5	42.0	38.0
Exchange	4.4	5.4	7.0	5.0	3.7	1.1	0.8	0.3	(3.3)
Total	(7.5)	31.0	29.0	24.0	60.1	51.3	78.3	31.3	32.2

Source: Company, PL

## **Exhibit 6: No. of registrations**

Geography	Q1FY21	Q2FY21	Q3FY21	Q4FY21	Q1FY22	Q2FY22	Q3FY22	Q4FY22	Q1FY23
Europe	NA	1,270	1,290	1,326	1,347	1,370	NA	1,420	1,445
NAFTA	NA	215	225	236	237	252	NA	273	280
RoW	NA	235	240	237	238	238	NA	241	241
Latam	NA	740	740	744	748	750	NA	752	753
No. of registrations	2,439	2,460	2,495	2,543	2,570	2,610	2,645	2,686	2,719

Source: Company, PL

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## **Financials**

Income	Statement (	(Rs m)

Income Statement (Rs m)				
Y/e Mar	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Net Revenues	23,956	35,798	42,796	49,732
YoY gr. (%)	19.6	49.4	19.5	16.2
Cost of Goods Sold	16,360	24,998	30,043	34,415
Gross Profit	7,597	10,800	42,796	49,732
Margin (%)	31.7	30.2	100.0	100.0
Employee Cost	373	442	514	597
Other Expenses	2,672	3,072	3,937	4,675
EBITDA	4,168	6,994	7,952	9,696
YoY gr. (%)	40.4	67.8	13.7	21.9
Margin (%)	17.4	19.5	18.6	19.5
Depreciation and Amortization	1,704	2,453	3,160	3,872
EBIT	2,464	4,540	4,792	5,824
Margin (%)	10.3	12.7	11.2	11.7
Net Interest	28	22	23	25
Other Income	658	124	95	101
Profit Before Tax	3,095	4,642	4,864	5,899
Margin (%)	12.9	13.0	11.4	11.9
Total Tax	802	1,150	1,216	1,475
Effective tax rate (%)	25.9	24.8	25.0	25.0
Profit after tax	2,292	3,493	3,648	4,424
Minority interest	0	0	-	-
Share Profit from Associate	-	-	-	-
Adjusted PAT	2,292	3,493	3,648	4,424
YoY gr. (%)	39.2	52.4	4.5	21.3
Margin (%)	9.6	9.8	8.5	8.9
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	2,292	3,493	3,648	4,424
YoY gr. (%)	39.2	52.4	4.5	21.3
Margin (%)	9.6	9.8	8.5	8.9
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	2,292	3,493	3,648	4,424
Equity Shares O/s (m)	90	90	90	90
EPS (Rs)	25.4	38.7	40.4	49.0

Source: Company Data, PL Research

**Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs m)** 

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs Y/e Mar	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Non-Current Assets				
Gross Block	10,758	13,755	17,755	21,755
Tangibles	10,758	13,755	17,755	21,755
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Acc: Dep / Amortization	5,527	7,981	11,141	15,013
Tangibles	5,527	7,981	11,141	15,013
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Net fixed assets	5,231	5,774	6,614	6,741
Tangibles	5,231	5,774	6,614	6,741
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Capital Work In Progress	1,519	2,266	2,266	2,266
Goodwill	4	0	0	0
Non-Current Investments	-	-	-	-
Net Deferred tax assets	(868)	(1,240)	(1,240)	(1,240)
Other Non-Current Assets	-	-	-	-
Current Assets				
Investments	830	1,344	1,344	1,344
Inventories	5,255	8,928	9,877	11,314
Trade receivables	11,626	15,400	18,410	21,394
Cash & Bank Balance	2,605	1,660	474	2,659
Other Current Assets	-	-	-	-
Total Assets	27,710	36,143	39,756	46,489
Equity				
Equity Share Capital	902	902	902	902
Other Equity	15,241	18,222	21,436	25,426
Total Networth	16,143	19,125	22,338	26,328
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term borrowings	678	380	-	-
Provisions	30	23	23	23
Other non current liabilities	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities				
ST Debt / Current of LT Debt	-	-	-	-
Trade payables	8,068	11,776	14,152	16,211
Other current liabilities	2,788	4,836	3,240	3,924
Total Equity & Liabilities	27,710	36,143	39,756	46,489

Source: Company Data, PL Research



Cash Flow (Rs m)				
Y/e Mar	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
PBT	3,095	4,642	4,864	5,899
Add. Depreciation	1,704	2,453	3,160	3,872
Add. Interest	-	-	-	-
Less Financial Other Income	658	124	95	101
Add. Other	(76)	121	(260)	(265)
Op. profit before WC changes	4,723	7,217	7,765	9,506
Net Changes-WC	(1,662)	(3,798)	(3,180)	(1,678)
Direct tax	(575)	(748)	(1,216)	(1,475)
Net cash from Op. activities	2,486	2,671	3,369	6,354
Capital expenditures	(2,335)	(2,338)	(4,000)	(4,000)
Interest / Dividend Income	-	-	-	-
Others	(504)	259	260	265
Net Cash from Invt. activities	(2,839)	(2,079)	(3,740)	(3,735)
Issue of share cap. / premium	-	-	-	-
Debt changes	614	(350)	(380)	-
Dividend paid	(180)	(541)	(435)	(435)
Interest paid	-	-	-	-
Others	-	(19)	-	-
Net cash from Fin. activities	434	(910)	(815)	(435)
Net change in cash	1,827	804	(1,186)	2,184
Free Cash Flow	152	333	(631)	2,354

Source: Company Data, PL Research

## Quarterly Financials (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	Q2FY22	Q3FY22	Q4FY22	Q1FY23
Net Revenue	6,428	8,798	14,345	8,245
YoY gr. (%)	51.3	78.2	31.8	32.4
Raw Material Expenses	4,629	5,814	10,153	6,151
Gross Profit	1,798	2,984	4,192	2,094
Margin (%)	28.0	33.9	29.2	25.4
EBITDA	1,029	1,939	2,995	961
YoY gr. (%)	81.3	101.5	38.5	(6.7)
Margin (%)	16.0	22.0	20.9	11.7
Depreciation / Depletion	606	590	717	547
EBIT	423	1,349	2,278	414
Margin (%)	6.6	15.3	15.9	5.0
Net Interest	4	4	7	8
Other Income	(3)	14	(66)	(230)
Profit before Tax	415	1,358	2,205	176
Margin (%)	6.5	15.4	15.4	2.1
Total Tax	95	336	435	(50)
Effective tax rate (%)	22.9	24.7	19.7	(28.4)
Profit after Tax	320	1,022	1,770	226
Minority interest	-	-	-	-
Share Profit from Associates	-	-	-	-
Adjusted PAT	320	1,022	1,770	226
YoY gr. (%)	68.0	111.6	32.1	(40.5)
Margin (%)	5.0	11.6	12.3	2.7
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	320	1,022	1,770	226
YoY gr. (%)	68.0	111.6	32.1	(40.5)
Margin (%)	5.0	11.6	12.3	2.7
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	320	1,022	1,770	226
Avg. Shares O/s (m)	90	90	90	90
EPS (Rs)	3.5	11.3	19.6	2.5

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Y/e Mar	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E				
Per Share(Rs)								
EPS	25.4	38.7	40.4	49.0				
CEPS	44.3	65.9	75.5	92.0				
BVPS	178.9	212.0	247.6	291.8				
FCF	1.7	3.7	(7.0)	26.1				
DPS	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0				
Return Ratio(%)								
RoCE	16.0	25.0	22.9	23.9				
ROIC	15.2	22.5	18.8	21.5				
RoE	15.2	19.8	17.6	18.2				
Balance Sheet								
Net Debt : Equity (x)	(0.2)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.2)				
Net Working Capital (Days)	134	128	121	121				
Valuation(x)								

22.2

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Source: Company Data, PL Research

## **Key Operating Metrics**

PER

P/B

P/CEPS

EV/EBITDA

Dividend Yield (%)

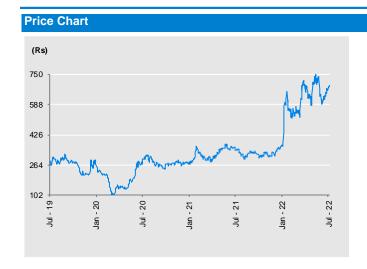
EV/Sales

**Key Financial Metrics** 

Y/e Mar	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Revenues	23,958	35,800	42,796	49,732
Europe	10,413	13,790	16,548	19,858
NAFTA	7,249	11,530	13,260	15,248
LatAM	1,501	3,150	3,780	4,347
RoW	1,423	1,570	1,727	1,900

Source: Company Data, PL Research





No.	Date	Rating	TP (Rs.)	Share Price (Rs.)
1	04-Jul-22	BUY	750	619
2	13-May-22	BUY	750	646
3	08-Apr-22	BUY	630	664
4	24-Jan-22	BUY	570	438
5	12-Jan-22	BUY	450	349
6	27-Dec-21	BUY	450	340
7	27-Jul-21	BUY	457	350

**Recommendation History** 

## **Analyst Coverage Universe**

Sr. No.	Company Name	Rating	TP (Rs)	Share Price (Rs)
1	Bayer Cropscience	Accumulate	5,640	5,076
2	Coromandel International	BUY	960	745
3	Dhanuka Agritech	BUY	870	687
4	Godrej Agrovet	Accumulate	577	502
5	Insecticides India	Hold	680	881
6	P.I. Industries	BUY	3,340	2,581
7	Rallis India	BUY	230	205
8	Sharda Cropchem	BUY	750	619
9	Sumitomo Chemical India	BUY	510	423
10	UPL	BUY	1,010	644

## PL's Recommendation Nomenclature (Absolute Performance)

 Buy
 : > 15%

 Accumulate
 : 5% to 15%

 Hold
 : +5% to -5%

 Reduce
 : -5% to -15%

 Sell
 : < -15%</td>

Not Rated (NR) : No specific call on the stock Under Review (UR) : Rating likely to change shortly



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