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Q2FY24 Result Update

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Change in Estimates

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|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | FY25E | FY26E | FY25E | FY26E |
| Rating | НС | DLD | Н | OLD |
| Target Price | 1,9 | 948 | 1, | 869 |
| Sales (Rs.m) | 56,649 | 60,748 | 56,649 | 60,748 |
| % Chng. | - | - | | |
| EBITDA (Rs.m) | 17,716 | 19,024 | 17,716 | 19,024 |
| % Chng. | - | - | | |
| EPS (Rs.) | 45.5 | 49.3 | 45.5 | 49.3 |
| % Chna. | - | - | | |

Key Financials - Standalone

| Y/e Mar | FY23 | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Sales (Rs. m) | 52,262 | 56,649 | 60,748 | 65,751 |
| EBITDA (Rs. m) | 15,470 | 17,716 | 19,024 | 20,498 |
| Margin (%) | 29.6 | 31.3 | 31.3 | 31.2 |
| PAT (Rs. m) | 10,584 | 12,379 | 13,421 | 14,487 |
| EPS (Rs.) | 38.9 | 45.5 | 49.3 | 53.3 |
| Gr. (%) | (1.9) | 17.0 | 8.4 | 7.9 |
| DPS (Rs.) | 39.0 | 40.0 | 43.0 | 47.0 |
| Yield (%) | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.3 |
| RoE (%) | 61.3 | 69.0 | 68.4 | 67.8 |
| RoCE (%) | 79.5 | 88.9 | 87.8 | 87.1 |
| EV/Sales (x) | 10.4 | 9.5 | 8.9 | 8.1 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 35.2 | 30.5 | 28.3 | 26.1 |
| PE (x) | 52.3 | 44.7 | 41.2 | 38.2 |
| P/BV (x) | 32.2 | 29.5 | 27.0 | 24.9 |

| Key Data | COLG.BO CLGT IN |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 52-W High / Low | Rs.2,129 / Rs.1,435 |
| Sensex / Nifty | 63,148 / 18,857 |
| Market Cap | Rs.553bn/ \$ 6,648m |
| Shares Outstanding | 272m |
| 3M Avg. Daily Value | Rs.1213.81m |

Shareholding Pattern (%)

| Promoter's | 51.00 |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Foreign | 24.08 |
| Domestic Institution | 5.88 |
| Public & Others | 19.04 |
| Promoter Pledge (Rs bn) | - |

Stock Performance (%)

| | 1M | 6M | 12M |
|----------|-------|------|------|
| Absolute | (1.6) | 29.2 | 25.8 |
| Relative | 2.7 | 23.4 | 18.7 |

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Colgate Palmolive (CLGT IN)

Rating: HOLD | CMP: Rs2,034 | TP: Rs1,948

Growth sustainability key to further re-rating

Quick Pointers:

- Domestic demand remains strong with toothpaste category showing higher single-digit growth
- Premium segment doing well, re-launch of Colgate strong teeth positive

CLGT's 2Q results are in line with 3% volume growth, 18% EBIDTA growth and 22.3% PAT growth led by 500bps higher gross margins partly neutralized by 260bps higher ad-spends. Our estimates indicate that 2Q indexed volumes are up by just 6.5% over FY20-24 and current volume growth is driven by low base of 5 consecutive negative volume quarters before 1Q24.

CLGT continues to focus on 1) driving toothpaste category penetration and usage 2) premiumisation through science-based innovations with Total and Colgate strong teeth and 3) build personal care portfolio in body/hand wash. While CLGT is launching premium products (Total Sensitive Toothpaste, CLGT water flosser, Visible white O2 TP & Whitening Pen and Colgate Periogard Toothpaste), their contribution will remain limited in medium term.

While resilient urban demand, low base and benign inputs will enable strong growth in FY24, sustaining double digit PAT growth beyond FY24 looks challenging but for significant pick up in rural demand. We estimate 8.0% sales and 11% PAT CAGR over FY23-26. We value CLGT at 38x Sep'25 EPS and assign a target of Rs1948 (Rs1869 earlier). Re-rating potential seems capped post recent run up in stock price. Retain Hold.

Sales grew 6%, EBITDA Margins expand by 337bps YoY: Revenues grew by 6% YoY to Rs14.7bn (PLe: Rs12.5bn). Gross margins expanded by 502bps YoY to 68.8% (Ple: 66.3%) EBITDA grew by 18.2% YoY to Rs4.8bn (PLe:Rs3.5bn); Margins expanded by 337bps YoY to 32.8% (PLe:28.2%) A&P spends expanded by 260bps YoY to 13.7% Adj. PAT grew by 22.3% YoY to Rs3.4bn (PLe:Rs2.4bn).

Key Highlights:

- 3% volume growth with balance accounted for by pricing and mix change.
- Focus on Colgate strong teeth relaunch with expanding reach and availability.
- Domestic growth remains strong with toothpaste segment witnessing higher single-digit growth, overall growth at 6.6%.
- Premium segments continue to do well with both Total and Colgate max fresh growing ahead of the market.
- Restaged its largest toothbrush franchise Colgate Zig Zag with superior mix focusing on deep and interdental cleaning
- CLGT witnessing upgradation with focus on premium category.

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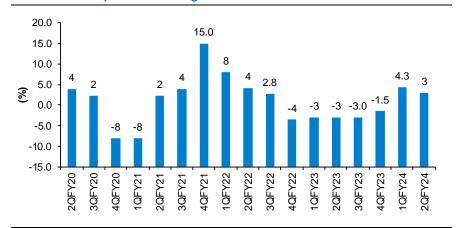


Exhibit 1: 1QFY24: Net sales up 6%, EBITDA margins expand by 337bps YoY to 32.8%

| Particulars | 2Q FY24 | 2Q FY23 | YoY gr. (%) | 1Q FY24 | 1HFY24 | 1HFY23 | Yo Y gr. (%) |
|---------------------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|--------|--------|--------------|
| Net Sales | 14,711 | 13,875 | 6.0 | 13,237 | 27,948 | 25,843 | 8.1 |
| Gross Profit | 10,117 | 8,846 | 14.4 | 9,058 | 19,174 | 16,783 | 14.2 |
| Margin % | 68.8 | 63.8 | 5.0 | 68.4 | 68.6 | 64.9 | 3.7 |
| Other Exp | 5295 | 4766 | 11.1 | 4877 | 10172 | 9447 | 7.7 |
| % of Net sales | 36.0 | 34.3 | | 36.8 | 36.4 | 36.6 | |
| EBITDA | 4,821 | 4,080 | 18.2 | 4,181 | 9,003 | 7,337 | 22.7 |
| Margin % | 32.8 | 29.4 | 3.4 | 31.6 | 32.2 | 28.4 | 3.8 |
| Depreciation | 443 | 439 | 1.0 | 438 | 880 | 880 | 0.0 |
| Interest | 11 | 13 | | 11 | 21 | 26 | |
| PBT from operations | 4368 | 3629 | 20.4 | 3733 | 8101 | 6431 | 26.0 |
| Other Income | 210 | 113 | 86.3 | 150 | 360 | 228 | 57.7 |
| PBT | 4,578 | 3,741 | 22.4 | 3,883 | 8,461 | 6,659 | 27.1 |
| Tax | 1178 | 961 | 22.5 | 951 | 2128 | 1689 | 26.0 |
| Tax rate % | 25.7 | 25.7 | | 24.5 | 25.2 | 25.4 | |
| Adj. PAT | 3,401 | 2,780 | 22.3 | 2,932 | 6,332 | 4,970 | 27.4 |

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 2: Toothpaste volumes grow 3% in 2Q



Source: Company, PL



Financials

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| Y/e Mar | FY23 | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Net Revenues | 52,262 | 56,649 | 60,748 | 65,751 |
| YoY gr. (%) | 2.5 | 8.4 | 7.2 | 8.2 |
| Cost of Goods Sold | 17,942 | 18,101 | 19,626 | 21,345 |
| Gross Profit | 34,320 | 38,548 | 41,123 | 44,407 |
| Margin (%) | 65.7 | 68.0 | 67.7 | 67.5 |
| Employee Cost | 3,770 | 4,219 | 4,464 | 4,801 |
| Other Expenses | 4,096 | 4,493 | 4,849 | 5,250 |
| EBITDA | 15,470 | 17,716 | 19,024 | 20,498 |
| YoY gr. (%) | (1.2) | 14.5 | 7.4 | 7.7 |
| Margin (%) | 29.6 | 31.3 | 31.3 | 31.2 |
| Depreciation and Amortization | 1,748 | 1,761 | 1,805 | 1,889 |
| EBIT | 13,722 | 15,955 | 17,218 | 18,609 |
| Margin (%) | 26.3 | 28.2 | 28.3 | 28.3 |
| Net Interest | 49 | 62 | 54 | 52 |
| Other Income | 536 | 656 | 777 | 811 |
| Profit Before Tax | 14,209 | 16,549 | 17,942 | 19,368 |
| Margin (%) | 27.2 | 29.2 | 29.5 | 29.5 |
| Total Tax | 3,625 | 4,170 | 4,521 | 4,881 |
| Effective tax rate (%) | 25.5 | 25.2 | 25.2 | 25.2 |
| Profit after tax | 10,584 | 12,379 | 13,421 | 14,487 |
| Minority interest | - | - | - | - |
| Share Profit from Associate | - | - | - | - |
| Adjusted PAT | 10,584 | 12,379 | 13,421 | 14,487 |
| YoY gr. (%) | (1.9) | 17.0 | 8.4 | 7.9 |
| Margin (%) | 20.3 | 21.9 | 22.1 | 22.0 |
| Extra Ord. Income / (Exp) | (112) | - | - | - |
| Reported PAT | 10,471 | 12,379 | 13,421 | 14,487 |
| YoY gr. (%) | (2.9) | 18.2 | 8.4 | 7.9 |
| Margin (%) | 20.0 | 21.9 | 22.1 | 22.0 |
| Other Comprehensive Income | - | - | - | - |
| Total Comprehensive Income | 10,471 | 12,379 | 13,421 | 14,487 |
| Equity Shares O/s (m) | 272 | 272 | 272 | 272 |
| EPS (Rs) | 38.9 | 45.5 | 49.3 | 53.3 |

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs m)

| Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs | m) | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Y/e Mar | FY23 | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| Non-Current Assets | | | | |
| Gross Block | 18,885 | 18,885 | 19,547 | 20,719 |
| Tangibles | 18,885 | 18,885 | 19,547 | 20,719 |
| Intangibles | - | - | - | - |
| Acc: Dep / Amortization | 11,679 | 13,228 | 14,811 | 16,468 |
| Tangibles | 11,679 | 13,228 | 14,811 | 16,468 |
| Intangibles | - | - | - | - |
| Net fixed assets | 7,205 | 5,657 | 4,736 | 4,250 |
| Tangibles | 7,205 | 5,657 | 4,736 | 4,250 |
| Intangibles | - | - | - | - |
| Capital Work In Progress | 1,141 | 1,250 | 1,300 | 1,400 |
| Goodwill | - | - | - | - |
| Non-Current Investments | 195 | 204 | 214 | 224 |
| Net Deferred tax assets | 288 | - | - | - |
| Other Non-Current Assets | 4,522 | 4,499 | 4,509 | 4,528 |
| Current Assets | | | | |
| Investments | 7,964 | 9,000 | 9,653 | 10,450 |
| Inventories | 3,354 | 3,914 | 4,171 | 4,531 |
| Trade receivables | 1,574 | 1,849 | 1,983 | 2,147 |
| Cash & Bank Balance | 1,266 | 3,450 | 5,680 | 7,270 |
| Other Current Assets | 381 | 422 | 452 | 490 |
| Total Assets | 28,830 | 31,235 | 33,738 | 36,383 |
| Equity | | | | |
| Equity Share Capital | 272 | 272 | 272 | 272 |
| Other Equity | 16,892 | 18,467 | 20,228 | 21,968 |
| Total Networth | 17,164 | 18,739 | 20,500 | 22,240 |
| Non-Current Liabilities | | | | |
| Long Term borrowings | - | - | - | - |
| Provisions | 236 | 253 | 268 | 288 |
| Other non current liabilities | 571 | 454 | 362 | 297 |
| Current Liabilities | | | | |
| ST Debt / Current of LT Debt | - | - | - | - |
| Trade payables | 7,611 | 8,476 | 9,091 | 9,842 |
| Other current liabilities | 3,235 | 3,300 | 3,504 | 3,702 |
| Total Equity & Liabilities | 28,830 | 31,235 | 33,738 | 36,383 |

Source: Company Data, PL Research



| Cash Flow (Rs m) | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Y/e Mar | FY23 | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| PBT | 14,209 | 16,549 | 17,942 | 19,368 |
| Add. Depreciation | 1,748 | 1,761 | 1,805 | 1,889 |
| Add. Interest | 49 | 62 | 54 | 52 |
| Less Financial Other Income | 536 | 656 | 777 | 811 |
| Add. Other | (112) | - | - | - |
| Op. profit before WC changes | 15,894 | 18,372 | 19,801 | 21,309 |
| Net Changes-WC | (106) | (870) | (435) | (565) |
| Direct tax | (3,625) | (4,170) | (4,566) | (4,929) |
| Net cash from Op. activities | 12,163 | 13,332 | 14,800 | 15,816 |
| Capital expenditures | (659) | (284) | (900) | (1,474) |
| Interest / Dividend Income | - | - | - | - |
| Others | - | - | - | - |
| Net Cash from Invt. activities | (659) | (284) | (900) | (1,474) |
| Issue of share cap. / premium | (47) | 76 | 80 | 84 |
| Debt changes | - | - | - | - |
| Dividend paid | (10,607) | (10,879) | (11,695) | (12,783) |
| Interest paid | (49) | (62) | (54) | (52) |
| Others | - | - | - | - |
| Net cash from Fin. activities | (10,704) | (10,865) | (11,669) | (12,752) |
| Net change in cash | 801 | 2,183 | 2,230 | 1,590 |
| Free Cash Flow | 11,504 | 13,048 | 13,899 | 14,342 |

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Quarterly Financials (Rs m)

| Y/e Mar | Q3FY23 | Q4FY23 | Q1FY24 | Q2FY24 |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Net Revenue | 12,913 | 13,506 | 13,237 | 14,711 |
| YoY gr. (%) | 0.9 | 3.8 | 10.6 | 6.0 |
| Raw Material Expenses | 4,407 | 4,475 | 4,179 | 4,594 |
| Gross Profit | 8,506 | 9,031 | 9,058 | 10,117 |
| Margin (%) | 65.9 | 66.9 | 68.4 | 68.8 |
| EBITDA | 3,615 | 4,519 | 4,181 | 4,821 |
| YoY gr. (%) | (5.0) | 5.2 | 28.4 | 18.2 |
| Margin (%) | 28.0 | 33.5 | 31.6 | 32.8 |
| Depreciation / Depletion | 437 | 431 | 438 | 443 |
| EBIT | 3,178 | 4,088 | 3,744 | 4,379 |
| Margin (%) | 24.6 | 30.3 | 28.3 | 29.8 |
| Net Interest | 13 | 11 | 11 | 11 |
| Other Income | 104 | 204 | 150 | 210 |
| Profit before Tax | 3,269 | 4,281 | 3,883 | 4,578 |
| Margin (%) | 25.3 | 31.7 | 29.3 | 31.1 |
| Total Tax | 837 | 1,100 | 951 | 1,178 |
| Effective tax rate (%) | 25.6 | 25.7 | 24.5 | 25.7 |
| Profit after Tax | 2,432 | 3,181 | 2,932 | 3,401 |
| Minority interest | - | - | - | - |
| Share Profit from Associates | - | - | - | - |
| Adjusted PAT | 2,432 | 3,181 | 2,932 | 3,401 |
| YoY gr. (%) | (3.6) | 9.1 | 33.9 | 22.3 |
| Margin (%) | 18.8 | 23.6 | 22.1 | 23.1 |
| Extra Ord. Income / (Exp) | - | (19) | (195) | - |
| Reported PAT | 2,432 | 3,162 | 2,737 | 3,401 |
| YoY gr. (%) | (3.6) | (2.3) | 30.5 | 22.3 |
| Margin (%) | 18.8 | 23.4 | 20.7 | 23.1 |
| Other Comprehensive Income | - | (49) | - | - |
| Total Comprehensive Income | 2,432 | 3,113 | 2,737 | 3,401 |
| Avg. Shares O/s (m) | 272 | 272 | 272 | 272 |
| EPS (Rs) | 8.9 | 11.7 | 10.8 | 12.5 |

Source: Company Data, PL Research

| Key Financial Metrics | | | | |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Y/e Mar | FY23 | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| Per Share(Rs) | | | | |
| EPS | 38.9 | 45.5 | 49.3 | 53.3 |
| CEPS | 45.3 | 52.0 | 56.0 | 60.2 |
| BVPS | 63.1 | 68.9 | 75.4 | 81.8 |
| FCF | 42.3 | 48.0 | 51.1 | 52.7 |
| DPS | 39.0 | 40.0 | 43.0 | 47.0 |
| Return Ratio(%) | | | | |
| RoCE | 79.5 | 88.9 | 87.8 | 87.1 |
| ROIC | 127.4 | 216.9 | 300.4 | 381.4 |
| RoE | 61.3 | 69.0 | 68.4 | 67.8 |
| Balance Sheet | | | | |
| Net Debt : Equity (x) | (0.5) | (0.7) | (0.7) | (0.8) |
| Net Working Capital (Days) | (19) | (17) | (18) | (18) |
| Valuation(x) | | | | |
| PER | 52.3 | 44.7 | 41.2 | 38.2 |
| P/B | 32.2 | 29.5 | 27.0 | 24.9 |
| P/CEPS | 44.9 | 39.1 | 36.3 | 33.8 |
| EV/EBITDA | 35.2 | 30.5 | 28.3 | 26.1 |
| EV/Sales | 10.4 | 9.5 | 8.9 | 8.1 |
| Dividend Yield (%) | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.3 |

Source: Company Data, PL Research

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Analyst Coverage Universe

| Sr. No. | Company Name | Rating | TP (Rs) | Share Price (Rs) |
|---------|------------------------|------------|---------|------------------|
| 1 | Asian Paints | Accumulate | 3,571 | 3,196 |
| 2 | Avenue Supermarts | BUY | 4,724 | 3,920 |
| 3 | Britannia Industries | Hold | 4,612 | 4,538 |
| 4 | Colgate Palmolive | Hold | 1,869 | 1,993 |
| 5 | Dabur India | Accumulate | 597 | 547 |
| 6 | Emami | Accumulate | 524 | 527 |
| 7 | Hindustan Unilever | Hold | 2,786 | 2,548 |
| 8 | ITC | Accumulate | 492 | 450 |
| 9 | Jubilant FoodWorks | Hold | 505 | 529 |
| 10 | Kansai Nerolac Paints | Accumulate | 351 | 324 |
| 11 | Marico | Hold | 581 | 537 |
| 12 | Metro Brands | Accumulate | 1,231 | 1,208 |
| 13 | Mold-tek Packaging | Hold | 956 | 892 |
| 14 | Nestle India | Accumulate | 25,471 | 24,245 |
| 15 | Pidilite Industries | Hold | 2,610 | 2,454 |
| 16 | Restaurant Brands Asia | Accumulate | 142 | 125 |
| 17 | Titan Company | Accumulate | 3,312 | 3,310 |
| 18 | Westlife Foodworld | Hold | 958 | 955 |

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 Buy
 : > 15%

 Accumulate
 : 5% to 15%

 Hold
 : +5% to -5%

 Reduce
 : -5% to -15%

 Sell
 : < -15%</td>

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