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### CIE Automotive India Ltd

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## In-line operational performance; strong margin compensating for subdued revenue growth

CIE Automotive (CAIL) Q2CY24 adj. consolidated PAT of INR 2.2bn was in-line with our estimate, with ~4% miss in revenue getting balanced by ~50bps beat in EBITDAM. EU revenue continued to be weak and was down 15% QoQ, at INR 7.6bn, on the back of continued slowdown in Metalcastello and car market; further, H2CY24 is at best set to be equal to H1 amidst larger number of working holidays. India revenue was up 1% QoQ at INR 14.5bn and is likely to ramp up in coming quarters with new launches by target OEMs and new projects kick starting for Bosch/Royal Enfield/Stellantis. We cut our CY24E/CY25E EPS by 5%/4% to account for continued slowdown in the Europe business and delay in ramp up of fresh projects. Maintain **BUY** with a DCF-based revised TP of INR 675 (earlier INR 646), implying 24x CY25E EPS, with the change in TP being driven by rollover.

## Conference call takeaways

- EU revenue was down 11% YoY due to a decline in Metalcastello revenue (down 32% YoY). Metalcastello is likely to see a similar revenue quarterly run-rate of ~EUR 15mn in coming quarters and is expecting recovery only from CY25. EU EBITDAM stood at 17%, up 100bps QoQ; CAIL is taking cost-cutting actions such as eliminating temporary workers to manage costs in this lower turnover period. European PV industry saw a decline of 7% YoY in Q2CY24, and outlook remains weak with ~2–3% decline in volumes in CY24 and flattish growth over the next 4–5 years. EU business is also gradually accumulating orders for EVs, with ~55% new orders this year being for EVs. Currently, EV momentum has slowed and management expects a delay of two years in the faster electrification process.
- India revenue growth was 8% YoY, impacted by a delay in ramp-up of fresh orders under AEL and Billforge. CAIL expects H2 to be better than H1 in India, and remains confident of growth from these orders in the rest of CY24; in addition to growth from XUV3XO-related stamping/gears business, orders related to Bajaj CNG bikes, festive season demand and recovery in tractors space in H2CY24 etc. New order added in India business in H1CY24 was ~INR5bn, of which ~30% was from EVs. India EBITDAM increased 90bps QoQ to all time high level of 18.1%. It may also consider adding to its plastic parts business via an inorganic route down the line, with no plans to add sub-roof business in its operations. CIE has maintained its guidance for capex at ~5.5% of sales in CY24.

## **Financial Summary**

Y/E December (INR mn)	CY22A	CY23A	CY24E	CY25E
Net Revenue	87,530	92,803	98,089	1,07,957
EBITDA	11,720	14,239	15,393	17,085
EBITDA %	13.4	15.3	15.7	15.8
Net Profit	6,735	7,976	9,218	10,690
EPS (INR)	17.8	21.0	24.3	28.2
EPS % Chg YoY	64.7	18.4	15.6	16.0
P/E (x)	34.2	28.9	25.0	21.5
EV/EBITDA (x)	19.8	16.3	15.1	13.6
RoCE (%)	10.5	12.9	12.9	13.1
RoE (%)	13.1	14.4	14.6	15.1

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### **Market Data**

230bn
2,752mn
CIEINDIA IN
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628 /401
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3.9

Price Performance (%)	3m	6m	12m
Absolute	25.4	22.9	14.4
Relative to Sensex	14.1	9.4	(6.8)

Earnings Revisions (%)	CY24E	CY25E
Revenue	(3.6)	(3.3)
EBITDA	(3.8)	(3.4)
EPS	(4.7)	(4.0)

### **Previous Reports**

30-05-2024: <u>Company Update</u> 03-05-2024: <u>Q1CY24 results review</u>



Exhibit 1: Q2CY24 result review (consolidated)

Consolidated (INR mn)	Q2CY24	Q2CY23	YoY	Q1CY24	QoQ
Net Sales	22,927	23,203	-1%	24,268	-6%
Cost of Materials	11,739	12,080	-3%	12,898	-9%
As % of sales	51.2%	52.1%	-86 bps	53.1%	-195 bps
Gross profit	11,188	11,124	1%	11,370	-2%
Gross margin	48.8%	47.9%	86 bps	46.9%	195 bps
Employees Cost	2,673	2,572	4%	2,615	2%
As % of sales	11.7%	11.1%	57 bps	10.8%	88 bps
Other expenditure	4,915	4,847	1%	5,149	-5%
As % of sales	21.4%	20.9%	55 bps	21.2%	22 bps
EBITDA	3,600	3,704	-3%	3,606	0%
EBITDA margin	15.7%	16.0%	-26 bps	14.9%	84 bps
Depreciation & Amortisation	836	833	0%	863	-3%
EBIT	2,764	2,872	-4%	2,742	1%
EBIT margin	12.1%	12.4%	-32 bps	11.3%	76 bps
Other Income	313	192	62%	517	-40%
Interest	211	221	-4%	220	-4%
PBT	2,866	2,843	1%	3,039	-6%
Tax	702	708	-1%	737	-5%
Adj PAT	2,164	2,136	1%	2,302	-6%

Source: I-Sec research, Company data

### Exhibit 2: Q2CY24 result summary: India

MCIE India (INR mn)	Q2CY24	Q2CY23	YoY	Q1CY24	QoQ
Net Sales	14,463	13,442	8%	14,388	1%
EBITDA	2,614	2,256	16%	2,684	-3%
EBITDA margin	18.1%	16.8%	129 bps	18.7%	-58 bps

Source: I-Sec research, Company data

### Exhibit 3: Q2CY24 result summary: Europe

MCIE Europe (INR mn)	Q2CY24	Q2CY23	YoY	Q1CY24	QoQ
Net Sales	7,604	8,558	-11%	8,941	-15%
EBITDA	1,292	1,644	-21%	1,435	-10%
EBITDA margin	17.0%	19.2%	-222 bps	16.0%	94 bps

Source: I-Sec research, Company data

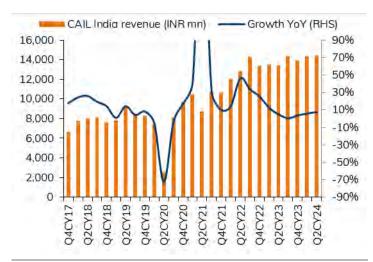
**Exhibit 4: Estimates revision** 

		CY24E			CY25E	
	Old	Revised	% change	Old	Revised	% change
Revenue (INR mn)	1,01,720	98,089	-3.6%	1,11,611	1,07,957	-3.3%
EBITDA (INR mn)	15,998	15,393	-3.8%	17,694	17,085	-3.4%
EBITDA margin (%)	15.7%	15.7%	-4 bps	15.9%	15.8%	-3 bps
PAT (INR mn)	9,670	9,218	-4.7%	11,140	10,690	-4.0%
EPS (INR)	25.5	24.3	-4.7%	29.4	28.2	-4.0%

Source: I-Sec research

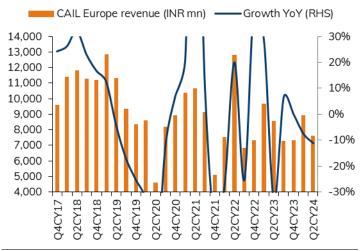
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# Exhibit 5: Expecting consolidated revenue CAGR to remain sub 10% in CY23-25E



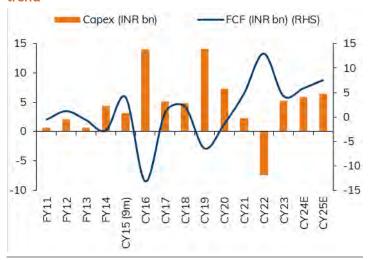
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# Exhibit 7: European operations continued to remain subdued in terms of revenue



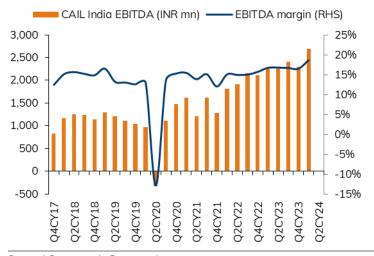
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# Exhibit 9: Strong FCF trajectory with ~6% capex/sales trend



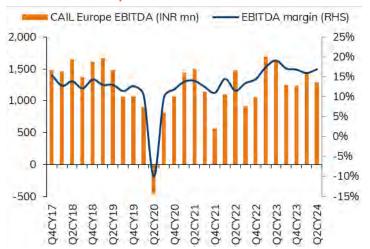
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Exhibit 6: CAIL's India EBITDA margin making new highs at 18%, helping earnings grow amid soft revenue growth



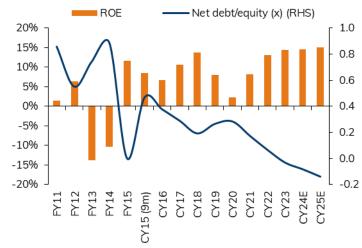
Source: I-Sec research, Company data

# **Exhibit 8:** Delivering steady margin in Europe despite subdued revenue performance



Source: I-Sec research, Company data

### Exhibit 10: Net debt free already with ~15% RoE



Source: I-Sec research. Company data



### **Downside risks**

Persistent sluggish demand in European car market and continued weakness in domestic 2W/tractors could impact scale and margin in CY24.

**Exhibit 11: Shareholding pattern** 

%	Dec'23	Mar'24	Jun'24
Promoters	65.7	65.7	65.0
Institutional investors	21.5	23.2	24.0
MFs and others	14.7	17.2	18.0
Fls/Banks	1.0	0.7	0.0
Insurance	0.2	0.2	0.0
FIIs	5.6	5.1	6.0
Others	12.8	11.1	11.0

**Exhibit 12: Price chart** 



Source: Bloomberg Source: Bloomberg



## **Financial Summary**

### **Exhibit 13: Profit & Loss**

(INR mn, year ending December)

	CY22A	CY23A	CY24E	CY25E
Net Sales	87,530	92,803	98,089	1,07,957
Operating Expenses	28,050	29,456	31,200	34,194
EBITDA	11,720	14,239	15,393	17,085
EBITDA Margin (%)	13.4	15.3	15.7	15.8
Depreciation & Amortization	2,962	3,222	3,302	3,471
EBIT	8,758	11,017	12,090	13,614
Interest expenditure	227	1,074	600	200
Other Non-operating	962	820	800	840
Income	902	820	800	040
Recurring PBT	9,493	10,763	12,290	14,254
Profit / Loss from Associates	-	-	-	-
Less: Taxes	2,401	2,782	3,073	3,563
PAT	7,092	7,981	9,218	10,690
Less: Minority Interest	(22)	5	-	-
Extraordinaries (Net)	379	-	-	-
Net Income (Reported)	7,092	7,981	9,218	10,690
Net Income (Adjusted)	6,735	7,976	9,218	10,690

Source Company data, I-Sec research

### **Exhibit 14: Balance sheet**

(INR mn, year ending December)

	CY22A	CY23A	CY24E	CY25E
Total Current Assets	36,790	30,690	37,597	45,203
of which cash & cash eqv.	859	2,387	5,992	10,919
Total Current Liabilities &	35,168	25,854	28,403	30,980
Provisions	35,100	25,654	20,403	30,960
Net Current Assets	1,622	4,836	9,194	14,223
Investments	5,745	8,195	8,195	8,195
Net Fixed Assets	56,662	58,641	61,224	64,230
ROU Assets	-	-	-	-
Capital Work-in-Progress	-	-	-	-
Total Intangible Assets	-	-	-	-
Other assets	-	-	-	-
Deferred Tax assets	(3,200)	(3,238)	(3,238)	(3,238)
Total Assets	60,830	68,434	75,375	83,410
Liabilities				
Borrowings	9,856	8,554	8,554	8,554
Deferred Tax Liability	-	-	-	-
Provisions	-	-	-	-
Other Liabilities	-	-	-	-
Equity Share Capital	3,793	3,794	3,794	3,794
Reserves & Surplus	47,181	56,086	63,028	71,062
Total Net Worth	50,974	59,880	66,821	74,856
Minority Interest	-	-	-	-
Total Liabilities	60,830	68,434	75,375	83,410

Source Company data, I-Sec research

### **Exhibit 15: Quarterly trend**

(INR mn, year ending December)

	Sep-23	Dec-23	Mar-24	Jun-24
Net Sales	22,794	22,404	24,268	22,927
% growth (YOY)	2.2	(0.3)	(0.5)	(1.2)
EBITDA	3,454	3,274	3,606	3,600
Margin %	15.2	14.6	14.9	15.7
Other Income	198	262	517	313
Adjusted Net Profit	1,867	1,770	2,302	2,164

Source Company data, I-Sec research

### **Exhibit 16: Cashflow statement**

(INR mn, year ending December)

	CY22A	CY23A	CY24E	CY25E
Operating Cashflow	5,536	9,513	11,767	14,059
<b>Working Capital Changes</b>	(4,540)	(1,686)	(753)	(103)
Capital Commitments	7,491	(5,202)	(5,885)	(6,477)
Free Cashflow	13,027	4,311	5,881	7,582
Other investing cashflow	(1,385)	(2,449)	-	-
Cashflow from Investing Activities	6,106	(7,651)	(5,885)	(6,477)
Issue of Share Capital	2	0	-	-
Interest Cost	-	-	-	-
Inc (Dec) in Borrowings	(5,014)	(1,301)	-	-
Dividend paid	(1,110)	(948)	(2,276)	(2,656)
Others	(6,258)	1,915	-	-
Cash flow from Financing Activities	(12,378)	(334)	(2,276)	(2,656)
Chg. in Cash & Bank balance	(736)	1,528	3,605	4,926
Closing cash & balance	859	2,387	5,992	10,919

Source Company data, I-Sec research

### **Exhibit 17:** Key ratios

(Year ending December)

	CY22A	CY23A	CY24E	CY25E
Per Share Data (INR)				
Reported EPS	17.8	21.0	24.3	28.2
Adjusted EPS (Diluted)	17.8	21.0	24.3	28.2
Cash EPS	25.6	29.5	33.0	37.3
Dividend per share (DPS)	2.5	5.0	6.0	7.0
Book Value per share (BV)	134.4	157.8	176.1	197.3
Dividend Payout (%)	14.1	23.8	24.7	24.8
Growth (%)				
Net Sales	29.4	6.0	5.7	10.1
EBITDA	24.5	21.5	8.1	11.0
EPS (INR)	64.7	18.4	15.6	16.0
Valuation Ratios (x)				
P/E	34.2	28.9	25.0	21.5
P/CEPS	23.7	20.6	18.4	16.3
P/BV	4.5	3.8	3.4	3.1
EV / EBITDA	19.8	16.3	15.1	13.6
EV / Sales	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.1
Profitability Ratios				
Gross Profit Margins (%)	45.4	47.1	47.5	47.5
EBITDA Margins (%)	13.4	15.3	15.7	15.8
EBIT Margins (%)	10.0	11.9	12.3	12.6
Net Profit Margins (%)	7.7	8.6	9.4	9.9
RoCE (%)	10.5	12.9	12.9	13.1
RoE (%)	13.1	14.4	14.6	15.1
Dividend Yield (%)	0.4	0.8	1.0	1.2
Operating Ratios				
Fixed Asset Turnover (x)	8.0	8.0	8.0	0.9
Inventory Turnover Days	50	46	45	45
Receivables Days	36	25	32	32
Payables Days	89	76	80	80
Effective Tax Rate (%)	25.3	25.8	25.0	25.0
Net Debt / Equity (x)	0.1	0.0	(0.1)	(0.1)
Net Debt / EBITDA (x)	0.3	(0.1)	(0.4)	(0.6)

Source Company data, I-Sec research



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