

Ipca Laboratories (IPCA IN)

Rating: ACCUMULATE | CMP: Rs1,425 | TP: Rs1,525

May 31, 2025

Q4FY25 Result Update

☑ Change in Estimates | ☑ Target | ■ Reco

Change in Estimates

	Cu	rrent	Pre	vious	
	FY26E	FY27E	FY26E	FY27E	
Rating	ACCU	MULATE	ACCU	MULATE	
Target Price	1,	525	1,700		
Sales (Rs. m)	98,531	1,10,039	1,01,596	1,14,953	
% Chng.	(3.0)	(4.3)			
EBITDA (Rs. m)	19,906	23,296	21,042	25,247	
% Chng.	(5.4)	(7.7)			
EPS (Rs.)	42.0	50.6	43.8	54.9	
% Chng.	(4.2)	(7.9)			

Key Financials - Consolidated

Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Sales (Rs. m)	77,050	89,396	98,531	1,10,039
EBITDA (Rs. m)	12,882	16,931	19,906	23,296
Margin (%)	16.7	18.9	20.2	21.2
PAT (Rs. m)	6,551	9,427	10,647	12,827
EPS (Rs.)	25.8	37.2	42.0	50.6
Gr. (%)	39.0	43.9	12.9	20.5
DPS (Rs.)	2.0	4.0	5.0	6.0
Yield (%)	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.4
RoE (%)	10.8	14.2	14.3	14.9
RoCE (%)	12.4	16.2	18.2	19.8
EV/Sales (x)	4.8	4.1	3.6	3.2
EV/EBITDA (x)	28.5	21.5	18.0	15.1
PE (x)	55.2	38.3	34.0	28.2
P/BV (x)	5.7	5.2	4.5	3.9

Key Data	IPCA.BO IPCA IN
52-W High / Low	Rs.1,758 / Rs.1,052
Sensex / Nifty	81,451 / 24,751
Market Cap	Rs.361bn/ \$ 4,223m
Shares Outstanding	254m
3M Avg. Daily Value	Rs.346.85m

Shareholding Pattern (%)

Promoter's	44.72
Foreign	10.75
Domestic Institution	35.73
Public & Others	8.80
Promoter Pledge (Rs bn)	-

Stock Performance (%)

	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	1.7	(7.6)	14.0
Relative	0.2	(9.5)	3.4

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Muted FY26 revenue growth guidance

Quick Pointers:

- Guided for 8-10% revenue growth in FY26 with OPM improvement of 100bps
- Impairment charges in Q4FY25 stood at Rs 2.1bn.

Ipca Labs (IPCA) reported EBITDA of Rs4.1bn (up 35% YoY), was in line with our estimates. However, mgmt. FY26 guidance of 8-10% revenue growth was below our expectations (12-13%). Resultant, our FY26E and FY27E EPS stands reduced by 4-8%. API and generic business growth were muted in FY25; recovery will be gradual. Domestic formulation business, which now contributes 40% of revenues and \sim 55% of EBITDA, continued to outperform and grow at healthy levels. Turnaround in Unichem remains on track with margins improving from 6% at time of acquisition to 12.5% in FY25. At CMP, the stock is trading at 17x EV/EBITDA and 29x PE on FY27E adjusted for Unichem stake. We maintain our ACCUMULATE with revised TP of Rs1,525/share; valuing at 18x EV/EBITDA.

Domestic formulation and institutional segment aided growth: IPCA's revenues came in at Rs 22.5bn, up 10.5% YoY in line with our est. Domestic formulations remained healthy at 11% YoY (we est 12%) to Rs 7.6bn. Export formulation was up 11% YoY at Rs 5.2bn in line with our estimate. Branded business increased by 3% YoY while generics growth was at 7% YoY. Institutional businesses witnessed strong growth of 33% YoY. API revenues showed muted growth up 2% YoY to Rs 3.4bn. Export API was down 3% YoY whereas domestic API increased 18% YoY. Revenues from subsidiaries, including Unichem came at Rs6.1bn.

In line EBITDA, PAT beat aided by lower tax: Consolidated gross margins improved 220bps YoY to 68.5%. There was forex gain to the tune of Rs 190mn booked under other expenses. Adj for forex; other expenses were up 9% YoY. Staff cost was up 7% YoY. EBITDA adj for forex gain came in at Rs 4.1bn; in line with our est. OPM came in at 18.2%, up 320bps YoY, down 170bps QoQ. Unichem margins came at 14.3% (down 170bps QoQ). Adj for Unichem; EBITDA growth was at 17% YoY. OPM at 19.6%. Tax came in lower at 18%. Resultant PAT came in at Rs2.73bn; up 39% YoY.

Key Concall takeaways: Domestic: Market share improved to 2.1% (from 1.8% in FY24). Contribution from metro cities increased from 32.6% in FY22 to 37.6% in FY25. Chronic segment grew 17.9% (vs 9.8% industry growth). Current mix: 66% acute, 34% chronic. MR strength at 7000. Plans to add 400-500 in FY26. PCPM at 0.4mn per month, expects 8% gradual increase YoY. Unichem: EBITDA margins improved to 12.6% (4.9% FY24). API integration with IPCA in process (expects benefits from FY26). Additional product filings (3-4) in FY26. No immediate need for new capex. Guided for ~10% growth with further margin expansion. US: Total sales was to the tune of Rs650mn of which Rs230mn been sold through Unichem. Guided for Rs1bn revenues in FY26.. Shipped 3-4 products which should go to 6-7 products in FY26. Export formulations: South Africa biz de grew by 65% YoY due to loss of tender business while Canada business was flat YoY in FY25. CIS

growth was moderate at 2% YoY due to currency fluctuations. Australia, New Zealand markets faced de growth due to inventory rationalization. Guided for 10% growth in generic business including international business for FY26. **Others:** No major impact from US tariffs yet. Stabilisation expected in API prices with expected volume and price growth in FY26. R&D spend likely to increase from 3.25% to 4%. 20+ products in development for global markets. FY26 capex guidance at Rs 4bn. Capex is dedicated largely for 4 projects; formulation unit at Devas, Injectable facility in North Carolina, API/intermediate facility at Nagpur and Monoclonal antibody plant at Pithampur. **FY26 guidance**- Overall consolidated revenue growth of 8-10% with 100-120 bps OPM expansion

Exhibit 1: 4QFY25 Result Overview (Rs mn): In line EBITDA, growth aided by domestic formulation

Y/e March	Q4FY25	Q4FY24	YoY gr. (%)	Q3FY25	QoQ gr. (%)	FY25	FY24	YoY gr. (%)
Net Sales	22,467	20,330	10.5	22,454	0.1	89,396	77,074	16.0
Raw Material	7,083	6,859	3.3	6,682	6.0	27,786	25,758	7.9
% of Net Sales	31.5	33.7		29.8		31.1	33.4	
Personnel Cost	5,008	4,660	7.5	4,854	3.2	19,840	17,084	16.1
% of Net Sales	22.3	22.9		21.6		22.2	22.2	
Others	6,278	5,765	8.9	6,457	(2.8)	24,839	21,350	16.3
% of Net Sales	27.9	28.4		28.8		27.8	27.7	
Total Expenditure	18,369	17,284	6.3	17,993	2.1	72,464	64,192	12.9
EBITDA	4,098	3,046	34.5	4,461	(8.1)	16,932	12,882	31.4
Margin (%)	18.2	15.0		19.9		18.9	16.7	
Depreciation	1,001	981	2.0	985	1.7	3,978	3,572	11.4
EBIT	3,096	2,065	50.0	3,476	(10.9)	12,953	9,310	39.1
Other Income	258	189	36.5	201	28.4	928	1,248	(25.6)
Forex	191	173		170		497	330	
Interest	215	294	(26.8)	168	28.0	849	1,383	(38.6)
РВТ	3,331	2,133	56.1	3,339	(0.3)	13,529	9,504	42.3
Extra-Ord. Inc./Exps.	2,051	1,367		-		2,051	1,078	
Total Taxes	622	737	(15.6)	906	(31.3)	3,436	3,135	9.6
ETR (%)	18.7	34.5		27.1		25.4	33.0	
Reported PAT	658	29	2,160.5	2,433	(73.0)	8,042	5,292	52.0
Minority Interest	20	567		(292)		499	(203)	
Total Comprehensive Income	678	596	13.8	2,141	(68.3)	7,544	5,495	37.3

Source: Company, PL

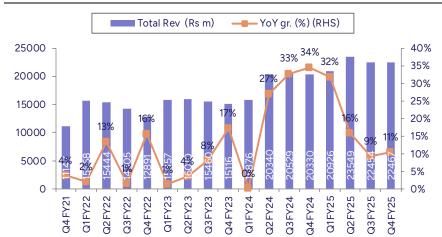


Exhibit 2: Continued growth momentum from domestic formulation

Major sources of revenues	Q4FY25	Q4FY24	YoY gr. (%)	Q3FY25	QoQ gr. (%)	FY25	FY24	YoY gr. (%)
Domestic	8,547	7,664	11.5	9,723	(12.1)	38,306	34,141	12.2
Formulations	7,641	6,898	10.8	8,772	(12.9)	34,551	30,972	11.6
APIs	906	766	18.3	952	(4.8)	3,755	3,169	18.5
Exports	7,743	7,314	5.9	6,809	13.7	28,090	27,077	3.7
Formulations	5,235	4,737	10.5	4,582	14.3	19,186	17,753	8.1
APIs	2,508	2,577	(2.7)	2,228	12.6	8,904	9,324	(4.5)
Subsidiaries	6,083	5,224		5,827		22,617	15,386	
Net Sales	22,372	20,202	10.7	22,359	0.1	89,012	76,604	16.2

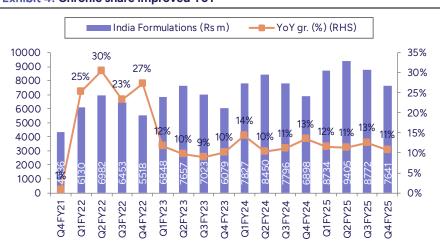
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Exhibit 3: Growth fueled by domestic formulation & Unichem integration



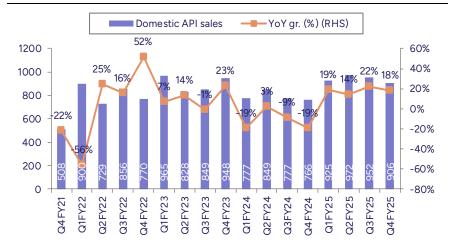
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Exhibit 4: Chronic share improved YoY



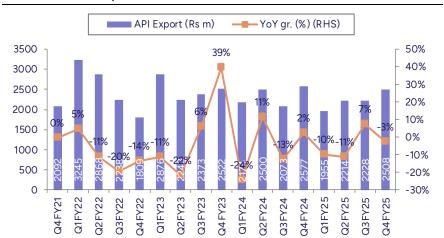
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Exhibit 5: Higher revenues YoY



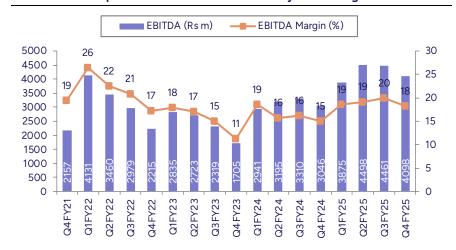
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Exhibit 6: Muted export API business



Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 7: Better product mix & Unichem efficiency aided margins



Source: Company, PL



Financials

Incomo	Statement	(Dcm)
income	Statement	(RS M)

Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Net Revenues	77,050	89,396	98,531	1,10,039
YoY gr. (%)	23.4	16.0	10.2	11.7
Cost of Goods Sold	30,996	33,332	36,503	41,008
Gross Profit	46,054	56,064	62,029	69,030
Margin (%)	59.8	62.7	63.0	62.7
Employee Cost	17,084	19,840	21,935	24,110
Other Expenses	16,088	19,292	20,188	21,625
EBITDA	12,882	16,931	19,906	23,296
YoY gr. (%)	34.4	31.4	17.6	17.0
Margin (%)	16.7	18.9	20.2	21.2
Depreciation and Amortization	3,572	3,978	4,217	4,512
EBIT	9,310	12,953	15,689	18,784
Margin (%)	12.1	14.5	15.9	17.1
Net Interest	1,383	849	700	500
Other Income	1,577	1,258	1,100	1,400
Profit Before Tax	9,504	13,362	16,089	19,684
Margin (%)	12.3	14.9	16.3	17.9
Total Tax	3,135	3,436	4,505	5,512
Effective tax rate (%)	33.0	25.7	28.0	28.0
Profit after tax	6,370	9,926	11,584	14,172
Minority interest	-	-	-	-
Share Profit from Associate	181	(499)	(938)	(1,345)
Adjusted PAT	6,551	9,427	10,647	12,827
YoY gr. (%)	39.0	43.9	12.9	20.5
Margin (%)	8.5	10.5	10.8	11.7
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	6,551	9,427	10,647	12,827
YoY gr. (%)	39.0	43.9	12.9	20.5
Margin (%)	8.5	10.5	10.8	11.7
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	6,551	9,427	10,647	12,827
Equity Shares O/s (m)	254	254	254	254
EPS (Rs)	25.8	37.2	42.0	50.6

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs m)

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs i	n)			
Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Non-Current Assets				
Gross Block	64,262	65,372	73,372	81,372
Tangibles	64,262	65,372	73,372	81,372
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Acc: Dep / Amortization	19,634	23,612	27,829	32,341
Tangibles	19,634	23,612	27,829	32,341
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Net fixed assets	44,628	41,760	45,543	49,031
Tangibles	44,628	41,760	45,543	49,031
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Capital Work In Progress	3,429	6,218	6,218	6,218
Goodwill	906	906	906	906
Non-Current Investments	3,036	253	253	253
Net Deferred tax assets	(3,062)	(2,781)	(2,781)	(2,781)
Other Non-Current Assets	-	-	-	-
Current Assets				
Investments	5,584	7,634	7,634	7,634
Inventories	24,696	25,604	27,259	29,832
Trade receivables	16,865	18,738	20,444	21,918
Cash & Bank Balance	2,968	3,442	5,828	10,554
Other Current Assets	6,252	10,746	10,746	10,746
Total Assets	1,10,971	1,17,436	1,27,072	1,39,446
Equity				
Equity Share Capital	254	254	254	254
Other Equity	63,068	69,231	79,350	91,764
Total Networth	63,322	69,485	79,604	92,018
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term borrowings	5,804	5,432	5,432	5,432
Provisions	-	-	-	-
Other non current liabilities	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities				
ST Debt / Current of LT Debt	8,071	7,585	5,085	2,585
Trade payables	7,761	8,462	9,541	10,654
Other current liabilities	9,003	9,295	9,295	9,295
Total Equity & Liabilities	1,10,971	1,17,437	1,27,072	1,39,446

Source: Company Data, PL Research



Cash	Flow	(Rs m)	

Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
PBT	10,692	13,802	16,389	19,284
Add. Depreciation	3,572	3,978	4,217	4,512
Add. Interest	(1,383)	(849)	(700)	(500)
Less Financial Other Income	1,577	1,258	1,100	1,400
Add. Other	444	1,659	938	1,345
Op. profit before WC changes	13,326	18,591	20,844	24,641
Net Changes-WC	(916)	(1,765)	(2,388)	(3,046)
Direct tax	(2,963)	(3,613)	(4,505)	(5,512)
Net cash from Op. activities	9,447	13,213	13,951	16,084
Capital expenditures	(19,891)	(8,275)	(8,000)	(8,000)
Interest / Dividend Income	-	-	-	-
Others	-	-	-	-
Net Cash from Invt. activities	(19,891)	(8,275)	(8,000)	(8,000)
Issue of share cap. / premium	-	-	-	-
Debt changes	(3,569)	(933)	(2,500)	(2,500)
Dividend paid	(507)	(1,015)	(1,465)	(1,758)
Interest paid	(135)	79	400	900
Others	(30)	(3,476)	-	-
Net cash from Fin. activities	(4,241)	(5,344)	(3,565)	(3,358)
Net change in cash	(14,685)	(406)	2,386	4,726
Free Cash Flow	5,341	5,458	5,951	8,084

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Quarterly Financials (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	Q1FY25	Q2FY25	Q3FY25	Q4FY25
Net Revenue	20,926	23,549	22,454	22,467
YoY gr. (%)	31.8	15.8	9.4	10.5
Raw Material Expenses	6,435	7,586	6,682	7,083
Gross Profit	14,491	15,963	15,772	15,384
Margin (%)	69.2	67.8	70.2	68.5
EBITDA	3,875	4,498	4,461	4,098
YoY gr. (%)	31.7	40.8	34.8	34.5
Margin (%)	18.5	19.1	19.9	18.2
Depreciation / Depletion	989	1,004	985	1,001
EBIT	2,886	3,495	3,476	3,096
Margin (%)	13.8	14.8	15.5	13.8
Net Interest	241	226	168	215
Other Income	258	179	371	449
Profit before Tax	2,904	3,448	3,679	3,331
Margin (%)	13.9	14.6	16.4	14.8
Total Tax	914	994	906	622
Effective tax rate (%)	31.5	28.8	24.6	18.7
Profit after Tax	1,990	2,454	2,773	2,708
Minority interest	67	160	292	(20)
Share Profit from Associates	-	-	-	-
Adjusted PAT	1,922	2,295	2,481	2,729
YoY gr. (%)	16.6	58.2	121.8	39.0
Margin (%)	9.2	9.7	11.1	12.1
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	1,922	2,295	2,481	2,729
YoY gr. (%)	16.6	58.2	121.8	39.0
Margin (%)	9.2	9.7	11.1	12.1
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	1,922	2,295	2,481	2,729
Avg. Shares O/s (m)	-	-	-	-
EPS (Rs)	7.6	9.0	9.8	2.7

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Key Financial Metrics

Rey I mancial Metrics				
Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Per Share(Rs)				
EPS	25.8	37.2	42.0	50.6
CEPS	39.9	52.8	58.6	68.3
BVPS	249.6	273.9	313.8	362.7
FCF	21.1	21.5	23.5	31.9
DPS	2.0	4.0	5.0	6.0
Return Ratio(%)				
RoCE	12.4	16.2	18.2	19.8
ROIC	9.1	12.2	13.8	15.5
RoE	10.8	14.2	14.3	14.9
Balance Sheet				
Net Debt : Equity (x)	0.1	0.0	0.0	(0.1)
Net Working Capital (Days)	160	146	141	136
Valuation(x)				
PER	55.2	38.3	34.0	28.2
P/B	5.7	5.2	4.5	3.9
P/CEPS	35.7	27.0	24.3	20.8
EV/EBITDA	28.5	21.5	18.0	15.1
EV/Sales	4.8	4.1	3.6	3.2
Dividend Yield (%)	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.4

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Key Operating Metrics

Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Domestic Formulations	30,972	34,551	38,352	42,570
Domestic API	3,169	3,755	4,055	4,460
Export Formulations	17,753	19,186	21,981	25,087
Export API	9,324	8,904	9,438	10,571

Source: Company Data, PL Research

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Price Chart Recommendation History No. Date Rating TP (Rs.) Share Price (Rs.) 2000 08-Apr-25 1,700 1,316 1800 1 Accumulate 1600 2 14-Feb-25 Accumulate 1,700 1,491 1400 3 08-Jan-25 Accumulate 1,700 1,736 1200 1000 4 18-Nov-24 Accumulate 1,700 1,537 800 5 07-Oct-24 Reduce 1,491 1,250 600 6 15-Aug-24 Reduce 1,250 1,349 400 200 08-Jul-24 7 Reduce 1,193 1,150 Aug-22 Nov-24 Feb-25 May-25 May-23 Aug-23 Nov-23 Feb-24 May-24 Aug-24

Analyst Coverage Universe

2 A 3 A 4 C 5 C	Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Aster DM Healthcare Aurobindo Pharma Cipla Divi's Laboratories Dr. Reddy's Laboratories Eris Lifesciences	BUY BUY BUY BUY Accumulate Reduce	8,100 620 1,440 1,730 6,800 1,225	6,683 551 1,191 1,520 6,280
3 A 4 C 5 C	Aurobindo Pharma Cipla Divi's Laboratories Or. Reddy's Laboratories Eris Lifesciences	BUY BUY Accumulate Reduce	1,440 1,730 6,800	1,191 1,520 6,280
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7 E				1,150
		BUY	1,740	1,444
8 F	Fortis Healthcare	BUY	785	672
9 F	HealthCare Global Enterprises	BUY	620	560
10 li	ndoco Remedies	Hold	325	233
11 l _l	pca Laboratories	Accumulate	1,700	1,316
12 J	J.B. Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals	BUY	2,030	1,641
13 J	Jupiter Life Line Hospitals	BUY	1,720	1,422
14 K	Crishna Institute of Medical Sciences	BUY	725	656
15 L	upin	BUY	2,400	2,073
16 N	Max Healthcare Institute	BUY	1,300	1,142
17 N	Narayana Hrudayalaya	BUY	1,950	1,743
18 R	Rainbow Children's Medicare	BUY	1,725	1,358
19 S	Sun Pharmaceutical Industries	BUY	2,000	1,719
20 S	Sunteck Realty	BUY	650	401
21 T	orrent Pharmaceuticals	Accumulate	3,670	3,233
22 Z	Zydus Lifesciences	Accumulate	970	884

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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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