## Positive outlook; recovery expected in FY25

Q4FY24 Result Update \| Sector: FMCG | May 06, 2024
Revenue growth remains mixed: Britannia reported mixed revenue growth for Q4FY24 with an increase of $1.1 \%$ YoY but a decline of $4.4 \%$ QoQ to Rs $4,069 \mathrm{cr}$. The company is facing stiff competition however their initiatives such as increasing spends on brands, expanding distribution reach and price competitiveness is driving market share as well as the overall growth for the company. For FY24, price hikes led to revenue growth of $2.9 \%$ YoY to Rs $16,769 \mathrm{cr}$.

Flat Margins: Its gross profit grew by $1.1 \%$ YoY but declined by $2.2 \%$ QoQ by Rs $1,827 \mathrm{cr}$ due to muted topline performance. Further, raw material cost saw an increase of $1.2 \%$ as compared last year but sequentially it declined by $6.1 \%$. Thus, leading to flat gross margin on YoY basis while improvement of 102bps QoQ to $44.9 \%$. Further, its EBITDA declined by $1.7 \% / 4.1 \%$ YoY/QOQ to Rs 787 cr while margin declined by 56 bps YoY but was flat sequentially to $19.4 \%$ due to increase in other expenses which includes advertisements spends as well. Adjusted PAT was down by $3.8 \% / 3.4 \%$ YoY/ QoQ to Rs 537 cr with PAT margin at $13.2 \%$, decline of 67 bps YoY but marginal increase of l3bps QoQ. For FY24, its Gross and EBITDA profit grew by 8.5\% / $12 \%$ YoY and also margins improved to $43.4 \%$ (improvement of 224 ps YoY) and at $18.9 \%$ (increase of 154 bps ), respectively.

Management plan \& strategy: Going ahead for FY25, management remains cautiously optimistic as near term challenges to persist for a few quarters while 2HFY25 to see improvement led by improving demand conditions, better monsoon and election outcome. Further, their focus remains on growing topline and anticipates achieving double digit volume growth, also forecast commodity inflation to be at manageable levels.

Key highlights: 1) Commodity inflation expected at around 3\% for FY25. 2) Gained market share post challenging HIFY24. 3) Growth drivers ahead are to focus on innovations, Adjacent business, cost programs and distribution reach. 4) Have a direct reach of 27.9 lakh outlets and rural distribution at 30K RPDs. 5) Focused states of Hindi belt areas are growing faster as compared to others. 6) Focusing on route to market strategy 2.0 by concentrating on data analytical and AI. 7) Connecting youth via modern marketing techniques such as digital \& social media. 8) Amongst segment biscuit to be the core priority. 9) Price action and promotion activity continued for brands such as Good Day, Marie Gold, Milk Bikis, 50-50, Treat, Gol-Maal \& Pure Magic. 10) Innovation \& renovation continued for the quarter and fresh launches were Good day fruit \& nuts, Toastea cake rusk and Bourbon Milk Shake. 11) For Cheese, differentiate products continue to gain traction. 12) Winkin Cow drinks gaining traction on the back of ongoing summer season. 13) Commodity fluctuation to be closely monitored going ahead.

Outlook \& Valuation: Britannia posted a soft quarter, however management remains positive on the growth prospect going ahead. We believe their strategy of investing behind brands \& innovating products along with scaling adjacent categories and expanding distribution reach as well as managing cost bodes well for overall growth. Moreover, they have plans to drive volume led growth as well as add new product categories, focus on premium products along with expanding across new age distribution channels to gain market share. Meanwhile, on the financial front, we expect its revenue/EBITDA to grow $10.0 \% / 13.1 \%$ CAGR over FY24-26E. Thus, maintaining our Accumulate rating on Britannia we have revised our target price upwards to Rs 5,633.

## Financial Summary - consolidated

| Particulars, Rs cr | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Net revenue | 16,301 | 16,769 | 18,111 | 20,284 |
| EBITDA | 2,831 | 3,170 | 3,532 | 4,057 |
| EBITDAM (\%) | 17.4 | 18.9 | 19.5 | 20.0 |
| APAT | 2,316 | 2,134 | 2,421 | 2,820 |
| APATM (\%) | 14.2 | 12.7 | 13.4 | 13.9 |
| EPS (Rs) | 96.4 | 88.8 | 100.8 | 117.4 |
| PE (x) | 52.6 | 57.1 | 50.3 | 43.2 |
| RoE (\%) | 65.5 | 54.1 | 53.1 | 50.5 |


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|  | Particulars, Rs cr | Q4FY24 | Q4FY23 | Y-o-Y (\%) | Q3FY24 | Q-o-Q (\%) |
| Revenue growth was mixed | Net Sales | 4,069 | 4,023 | 1.1 | 4,256 | (4.4) |
|  | Cost of Raw Materials | 2,056 | 2,023 | 1.6 | 2,129 | (3.4) |
|  | Purchase of Finished Goods | 193 | 190 | 2.0 | 239 | (19.0) |
|  | (Increase) / Decrease In Stocks | (7) | 3 | - | 21.5 | - |
|  | Raw material cost | 2,243 | 2,216 | 1.2 | 2,389 | (6.1) |
|  | Gross Profit | 1,827 | 1,807 | 1.1 | 1,867 | (2.2) |
|  | Gross Margins (\%) | 44.9 | 44.9 | -3bps | 43.9 | 102bps |
|  | Employee Cost | 162 | 171 | (5.0) | 198 | (18.4) |
|  | Other Expense | 877 | 836 | 5.0 | 848 | 3.5 |
|  | Total Expenditure | 3,282 | 3,222 | 1.9 | 3,435 | (4.5) |
| EBITDA margin decline because of | EBITDA | 787 | 801 | (1.7) | 821 | (4.1) |
| increase in other expense | EBITDA Margins (\%) | 19.4 | 19.9 | -56bps | 19.3 | 6bps |
|  | Depreciation | 80 | 65 | 22.3 | 78 | 2.4 |
|  | EBIT | 708 | 736 | (3.8) | 743 | (4.8) |
|  | Other Income | 57 | 56 | 1.7 | 51 | 13.4 |
|  | Interest | 26 | 35 | (24.2) | 31 | (15.0) |
|  | PBT (Before profit share) | 738 | 757 | (2.5) | 762 | (3.2) |
|  | Share of profits | (3.8) | 4.0 | - | (1.3) | - |
|  | Exceptional item | - | - | - | (2.9) | - |
|  | PBT | 735 | 761 | (3.5) | 758 | (3.1) |
|  | Tax | 198 | 204 | (2.7) | 203 | (2.3) |
|  | Reported PAT (after except.) | 537 | 558 | (3.8) | 556 | (3.4) |
|  | PAT Margin (\%) | 13.2 | 13.9 | -67bps | 13.1 | 13bps |
|  | EPS (Rs) | 22.3 | 23.2 | (4.0) | 23.1 | (3.6) |

Source : RBL Research

## Story in charts

| Net Sales grew by 1.1\% YoY but declined by 4.4\% Q०Q | Expenditure increased by 1.9\% YoY but decreased by 4.5\% Q०Q |
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Source: RBL Research

| EBITDA de-grew by 1.7\% YoY \& 4.1\% QoQ | PAT declined by 3.8\% YoY \& 3.4\% QoQ |
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Source : RBL Research

EBITDA margin down by 56bps YoY but higher by 6bps Q०Q
PAT margin declined by 67bps YoY but increased by 13bps Q०Q



P\&L Account - consolidated

| Particulars, Rs cr | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net sales | 16,301 | 16,769 | 18,111 | 20,284 |
| Expenditure |  |  |  |  |
| Raw material consumed | 8,327 | 8,547 | 9,127 | 10,182 |
| Purchase of stock in trade | 1,337 | 941 | 1,054 | 1,167 |
| (Increase) / Decrease In Stocks | (73) | 4 | 51 | 92 |
| Total RM Cost | 9,591 | 9,492 | 10,233 | 11,440 |
| Gross Profit | 6,709 | 7,277 | 7,878 | 8,844 |
| Gross Profit Margin (\%) | 41.2 | 43.4 | 43.5 | 43.6 |
| Employee cost | 658 | 709 | 797 | 852 |
| Other expenses | 3,220 | 3,399 | 3,550 | 3,935 |
| Total expenditure | 13,470 | 13,599 | 14,579 | 16,227 |
| EBITDA | 2,831 | 3,170 | 3,532 | 4,057 |
| EBITDAM (\%) | 17.4 | 18.9 | 19.5 | 20.0 |
| Depreciation | 226 | 300 | 305 | 313 |
| PBIT | 2,605 | 2,869 | 3,226 | 3,744 |
| Other income | 216 | 214 | 235 | 264 |
| Interest expenses | 169 | 164 | 167 | 171 |
| PBT | 2,652 | 2,920 | 3,294 | 3,837 |
| Tax | 716 | 779 | 873 | 1,017 |
| PAT | 1,935 | 2,140 | 2,421 | 2,820 |
| PATM (\%) | 11.9 | 12.8 | 13.4 | 13.9 |
| Exceptional | 381.0 | (6.1) | - | - |
| PAT (after exceptional) | 2,316 | 2,134 | 2,421 | 2,820 |
| PATM (\%) | 14.2 | 12.7 | 13.4 | 13.9 |
| EPS (Rs) | 96.4 | 88.8 | 100.8 | 117.4 |

Source: RBL Research

## Balance Sheet - consolidated

| Particulars, Rs cr | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Share Capital | 24 | 24 | 24 | 24 |
| Reserves \& Surplus | 3,510 | 3,917 | 4,537 | 5,555 |
| Total Shareholder's Fund | 3,534 | 3,942 | 4,561 | 5,579 |
| Minority Interest | 30 | 25 | 25 | 25 |
| Long term borrowings | 1,552 | 905 | 923 | 941 |
| Short term borrowing | 1,429 | 1,136 | 1,159 | 1,182 |
| Total Debt | 2,981 | 2,041 | 2,082 | 2,124 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 70 | 95 | 95 | 95 |
| Long term provision | 26 | 31 | 31 | 31 |
| Long term liabilities | 75 | 86 | 86 | 86 |
|  | 170 | 211 | 211 | 211 |
| Current Liabilities |  |  |  |  |
| Trade payables | 1,449 | 1,627 | 1,725 | 1,925 |
| Short term provisions | 513 | 559 | 604 | 609 |
| Current liabilities | 675 | 668 | 722 | 808 |
|  | 2,637 | 2,855 | 3,051 | 3,342 |
| Total liabilities | 9,353 | 9,074 | 9,930 | 11,280 |
| Assets |  |  |  |  |
| Net Block | 2,527 | 2,641 | 2,760 | 2,884 |
| Current WIP | 105 | 188 | 188 | 188 |
| Goodwill | 128 | 130 | 130 | 130 |
| Non current investment | 1,523 | 1,070 | 1,156 | 1,295 |
| Long term L\&A | 150 | - | - | - |
| Non-current assets | 72 | 84 | 91 | 102 |
| Tax assets | 101 | 112 | 112 | 112 |
|  | 4,606 | 4,225 | 4,436 | 4,710 |
| Current Assets |  |  |  |  |
| Current investments | 1,801 | 1,697 | 1,832 | 2,052 |
| Inventories | 1,193 | 1,181 | 1,250 | 1,395 |
| Trade receivables | 329 | 393 | 425 | 476 |
| Cash \& Bank | 198 | 446 | 765 | 1,279 |
| Short term L\&A | 560 | 460 | 497 | 556 |
| Current assets | 665 | 671 | 725 | 812 |
|  | 4,746 | 4,849 | 5,494 | 6,570 |
| Total assets | 9,353 | 9,074 | 9,930 | 11,280 |

## Cashflow - consolidated

| Particulars, Rs cr | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Profit before tax | 3,027 | 2,917 | 3,294 | 3,837 |
| Add: Depreciation | 226 | 300 | 305 | 313 |
| Add: Interest cost | 169 | 164 | 167 | 171 |
| Others | (576) | (204) | (200) | (200) |
| Operating profit before WC | 2,846 | 3,177 | 3,567 | 4,121 |
| Changes in WC | 406 | 161 | (2) | (62) |
| Direct taxes | (726) | (765) | (873) | $(1,017)$ |
| Cash flow from operating | 2,526 | 2,573 | 2,692 | 3,041 |
| Net cash used in Investing |  |  |  |  |
| Purchase of fixed assets | (590) | (562) | (424) | (437) |
| Purchase/Sales of FA \& Invt. | $(1,240)$ | 580 | (221) | (359) |
| Others | 312 | 457 | 170 | 170 |
| Cash flow from Investing | $(1,517)$ | 476 | (475) | (626) |
| Cash flow from Financing |  |  |  |  |
| Borrowings | 518 | (934) | 41 | 42 |
| Dividend (Incl dividend tax) | $(1,359)$ | $(1,732)$ | $(1,802)$ | $(1,802)$ |
| Interest cost | (196) | (164) | (167) | (171) |
| Others | 9 | 0 | - | - |
| Cash flow from Financing | $(1,028)$ | $(2,830)$ | $(1,929)$ | $(1,931)$ |
| Net cash Inflow/Outflow | (19) | 218 | 288 | 484 |
| Opening Cash | 109 | 103 | 323 | 611 |
| Closing Cash | 90 | 321 | 611 | 1,096 |
| Overdraft \& Others | 12 | 2 | - | - |
| Bank Balance | 96 | 124 | 153 | 183 |
| Closing Cash \& Bank | 198 | 446 | 765 | 1,279 |

## Key ratios - consolidated

| Particulars | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Per share Data |  |  |  |  |
| EPS | 96.4 | 88.8 | 100.8 | 117.4 |
| Book value per share (Rs) | 147.1 | 164.0 | 189.8 | 232.2 |
| Dividend per share | 56.6 | 72.1 | 75.0 | 75.0 |
| Dividend Yield (\%) | 1.1 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| Dividend Payout (\%) | 58.7 | 81.2 | 74.4 | 63.9 |
| Profitability Ratios |  |  |  |  |
| EBITDAM (\%) | 17.4 | 18.9 | 19.5 | 20.0 |
| EBITM (\%) | 16.0 | 17.1 | 17.8 | 18.5 |
| NPM (\%) | 14.2 | 12.7 | 13.4 | 13.9 |
| RoCE (\%) | 31.1 | 31.1 | 34.0 | 35.3 |
| RoE (\%) | 65.5 | 54.1 | 53.1 | 50.5 |
| Efficiency Data |  |  |  |  |
| Debt-Equity Ratio | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| Interest Cover Ratio | 15.4 | 17.5 | 19.3 | 21.9 |
| Fixed Asset Ratio | 7.9 | 6.5 | 6.7 | 7.2 |
| Debtors (Days) | 7.4 | 8.6 | 8.6 | 8.6 |
| Inventory (Days) | 52.3 | 50.4 | 50.0 | 50.0 |
| Payable (Days) | 63.5 | 69.5 | 69.0 | 69.0 |
| WC (Days) | -3.8 | -10.5 | -10.4 | -10.4 |
| Valuation |  |  |  |  |
| P/E | 52.6 | 57.1 | 50.3 | 43.2 |
| P/BV | 34.5 | 30.9 | 26.7 | 21.8 |
| EV/EBIDTA | 44.0 | 39.0 | 34.9 | 30.3 |
| EV/Sales | 7.6 | 7.4 | 6.8 | 6.1 |

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