

Gaudium IVF and Women Health : Management Meet & Facility Visit

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Sector View: Positive

Company Description

Gaudium IVF and Women Health (GAUDIUMI) is a specialised healthcare company focussed on fertility treatment, assisted reproductive technology (ART) and comprehensive women's healthcare services. The company operates fertility centers offering IVF, IUI, reproductive medicine, gynecology, and maternity-related services. Through a patient-centric approach, advanced clinical expertise, and expanding center network, Gaudium aims to address the growing demand for women's healthcare and fertility services.

Company Info	
BB Code	GAUDIUMI IN EQUITY
Face value (INR)	5.0
52-w high/low (INR)	133 / 70
CMP (INR)	130
Market Cap (INR Bn)	9.5
Shares o/s (Mn)	72.8

Key Financials				
INR Bn	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26
Revenue	0.4	0.5	0.7	1.0
YoY (%)	18.9	9.1	47.9	46.5
EBITDA	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4
EBITDAM %	45.5	39.6	40.8	36.5
PAT	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
EPS (INR)	136.5	104.2	3.1	3.4
ROE %	60.9	37.1	40.4	15.8
ROCE %	54.3	38.6	39.7	19.8
PE(x)	NA	NA	NA	38.7
EV/EBITDA	NA	NA	NA	25.2

Shareholding Pattern (%)		
	Mar-26	Jun-26
Promoters	71.29	71.29
FIIIs	6.70	3.01
DIIIs	2.63	2.22
Public	19.39	23.47

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India's fertility market is witnessing robust growth and GAUDIUMI is well-positioned to capitalise on the increasing demand through an aggressive expansion strategy and differentiated clinical outcome. **We met the management of GAUDIUMI, Dr. Manika Khanna - Promoter & CMD and Mr. Rakesh Kumar Sharma - CFO. Additionally, we visited the company's Janakpuri hospital.**

GAUDIUMI plans to significantly expand its network in the next two years by increasing its footprint, **from 7 hubs and 28 spokes to approximately 26 hubs and nearly 100 spokes**. This strategy is aimed at strengthening the company's pan-India presence and making fertility treatment more accessible to patients across the country. The company also has a strong international presence, with **around 25% of its patient base coming from nearly 30 countries**. GAUDIUMI continues to demonstrate strong clinical outcome, achieving an **IVF first-cycle success rate of ~58% and a cumulative pregnancy success rate of ~85% within three treatment cycles**.

Expansion Strategy

- The company follows a **capital-efficient hub-and-spoke model** where fully equipped IVF hubs perform critical procedures while spoke centers mainly handle patient acquisition, counselling, diagnostics and initial treatment
- The management plans to expand, **from 7 hubs and 28 spokes to approximately 26 hubs and nearly 100 spokes within the next two years**, funded primarily through IPO proceeds. The objective is to strengthen its presence across India while improving accessibility of fertility treatment
- The plan is to start 10 hubs in FY27, of which **3 already started in Q1FY27 and introducing 25-bedded only-women hospital in Lucknow**
- The company is actively strengthening its international presence by expanding spoke centers in countries, such as **UK, France, and Nigeria**. These centers primarily serve as patient acquisition channels for medical tourism, bringing international patients to India for treatment
- ~25% of patients currently come from international patients across nearly 30 countries**. These international patients generate revenue nearly 3x of domestic patients, making medical tourism an important contributor to future profitability
- Each new IVF hub requires only about **INR 2.5 Cr** of investment; nearly **INR 1.5 Cr allocated for specialised equipment** and the remainder for interiors. Since the company designs laboratories internally, it saves substantial capital as compared to outsourcing lab construction.

Operational Performance

- The company delivers **~58% first-attempt IVF success rates** and **~85% cumulative pregnancy success within three treatment cycles**, placing it among the leading fertility providers globally and creating a strong competitive advantage through clinical excellence
- Over several years, the management **developed detailed SOPs** covering every aspect of IVF operations, including clinical protocols, embryology, laboratory design, nursing, counselling, administration, and housekeeping. This standardization allows consistent outcome across centers.
- The management highlighted that newly-established IVF hubs generally achieve **operational breakeven within three to six months**, requiring only about five treatment cycles monthly to cover operating expenses, making expansion relatively low-risk
- Unlike traditional IVF chains which invest heavily in every center, **spoke locations require negligible capital expenditure**. Existing gynaecologists are trained under company protocols and operate as exclusive fertility partners, allowing rapid market penetration, employing minimal investment
- Nearly **97% of business is generated directly from patients (B2C)** rather than doctor referrals. This reduces dependency on referral incentives and creates a stronger, more sustainable brand with healthier operating margin
- Every **patient follows a structured journey** involving counsellors, fertility experts, finance counsellors, pharmacy support, and continuous engagement.
- AI-based IVF Technologies:** The company recently introduced advanced AI tools named **SID** and **ERICA**, which assist embryologists in selecting the highest-quality sperm and embryos. Early implementation has already demonstrated an estimated **8–10% improvement in IVF success rate**
- The management claims to be among the **first fertility chains in India and Asia to deploy these advanced AI technologies commercially**, creating a meaningful technological differentiation over competitors

Growth Drivers

- The management estimates that, although infertility affects nearly **15–20% of couples**, only **~2% seek organised IVF treatment, at present**. Increasing awareness and accessibility provide a substantial long-term growth opportunity
- As awareness improves and affordability increases, the management expects significant **growth from non-metro markets** where demand for quality fertility treatment remains largely underserved
- **Government support for medical tourism, combined with the company's international reputation** and dedicated overseas patient management team, is expected to further accelerate international patient inflow
- The management highlighted that **existing hubs are still growing at ~30% annually**, significantly ahead of industry growth rate, providing organic growth even before new centers become operational.

Financial & Margin Highlights

- **High trade receivables:** The company's **consistently high trade receivables is a concerns about weak cash flow conversion and increasing working capital requirements**. Its dependence on extended patient credit and delayed treatment cycles ties up capital, reducing financial flexibility. **If receivables continue to grow alongside revenue, it could strain liquidity, elevate collection risks, and limit the company's ability to fund future expansion efficiently.**
- The **business operates with ~40% EBITDA margin**, supported by premium pricing, standardised operations, strong utilisation and the predominantly direct-to-consumer acquisition model
- The **spoke model requires negligible incremental capital expenditure**, while hub investments remain relatively modest. This enables faster scaling up without placing excessive pressure on the balance sheet
- The company **treats a large number of complex and multiple-failed IVF cases**. While standard treatment packages cost around INR 2–2.5 lakh, premium cases can generate significantly higher revenues, whereas **some packages cost up to INR 20 lakh**
- **International patients generate nearly 3x the revenue of domestic patients** owing to comprehensive treatment packages and additional services, making overseas expansion financially attractive
- The management believes **fertility treatment is an emotional decision rather than an impulse purchase**. Dedicated health counsellors, patient education, testimonials, and structured engagement are considered critical drivers of trust and conversion
- Unlike several fertility chains which rely on celebrity doctors or acquired practices, **the company intentionally created a brand-first model**, where standardised protocols ensure continuity even if individual doctors change
- **Treatment volumes typically soften during major festivals** and certain regional seasonal cycles, although the management indicated that the impact is temporary and average annual demand remains robust



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Historical share price chart: HCL Technologies Limited

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SELL	The security is expected to show downside of 10% or more over the next 12 months
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