## **Retail Equity Research**

# **Transrail Lighting Ltd.**

Nifty: 24,199 Sensex: 80,182

## Sector: Engineering & Construction

## Pioneering in Power Transmission and Distribution

Transrail Lighting Ltd. (TLL) is an Indian EPC (engineering, procurement and construction) company specializing in power transmission and distribution. It operates integrated manufacturing facilities for lattice structures, conductors, and monopoles. TLL has completed over 200 projects across 58 countries, showcasing extensive project execution capabilities. The company operates in four verticals: power transmission and distribution (83.4%), civil construction (9.3%), poles and lighting (4.4%), and railways (2.4%), with projects in India and internationally, primarily in Asia and Africa.

- ◆ CRISIL MI&A Consulting projects a 5.5-6.0% growth in power demand from FY24- 29. The distribution segment is expected to attract investments of ₹3-4 trillion between FY25 - 29, driven by rising electricity demand, government initiatives, a focus on sustainability, and the adoption of smart grid technologies.
- ◆ Transrail's revenue increased from ₹2,349.9cr in FY22 to ₹4,076.4cr in FY24, achieving a CAGR of 32%, primarily driven by higher EPC contract income and increased service revenue.
- ◆ The company's EBITDA grew from ₹64.8cr in FY22 to ₹233.1cr in FY24 with a CAGR of 51.8%. PAT increased to ₹462cr, reflecting a CAGR of 89.7% over the FY22-24 period.
- ◆ As of June 30, 2024, the order book stood at ₹10,213cr. Of this, 64% comprises international orders (High margin), while the remaining 36% are domestic orders. The order book to sales ratio for FY24 is 2.5x, ensuring healthy revenue visibility over the medium term.
- TLL's ROE stood at 20.5% in FY24, which is superior compared to its peers. The debt -to-equity ratio of the company has decreased from 0.8x in FY23 to 0.5x inQ1FY25.
- The company did a pre-IPO placement of Rs.50cr (Sept 2024) at a price of Rs. 484 per share and the fresh issue size is reduced to that extent in the IPO.
- ◆ At the upper price band of ₹432, TLL is available at a P/E of 24.9 (FY24), which is at a discount compared to its listed peers. The government support for the power transmission segment, strong thrust on sustainability, and rising adoption of smart grid technologies present significant opportunities for the company's future growth. With a robust order pipeline and consistent financial performance featuring industry-leading margins, the company is well-positioned for future success. We recommend subscribing to this issue for medium- to long-term investment.

#### **Purpose of IPO**

The IPO consists of fresh issue of ₹400cr and an OFS of ₹438.91cr. The proceeds from its fresh issuance will be utilised for (i) Funding incremental working capital requirements of the company (ii) Funding capital expenditure of the company (iii) General corporate purposes.

#### Key Risks

- Order Book is subject to cancellation, modification or delay which may materially and adversely affect the business.
- Company is exposed to foreign currency fluctuation risks, particularly in relation to import of raw materials, receivables from the foreign projects.

#### **Peer Valuation**

Company	MCap(₹ cr)	Sales (₹ cr)	EBITDA(%)	PAT (%)	EPS(₹)	RoE (%)	P/E(x)	EV/EBITDA	P/BV	Mcap/sales	CMP(₹)
Transrail Lighting Ltd	5,800	4,076	11.66	5.7	17.4	20.5	24.9	13.6	5.1	1.4	432
KEC International Ltd	31,561	19,595.3	6.2	1.8	13.5	8.8	88	17.8	7.4	1.6	1,185
Kalpataru Projects International Ltd	21,375	19,626.4	8.3	2.6	31.9	10.3	41.4	12.4	3.7	1.1	1,323
Skipper Ltd	6,255	3,282	9.7	2.3	6.5	9.0	92.6	11.8	7.0	1.9	603
Patel Engineering Ltd	4,869	4,278.4	16.1	6.8	3.5	9.6	16.6	8.7	1.4	1.1	58
Bajel Projects Ltd	3,284	1,140	0.9	0.4	0.4	1.5	800.2	224	5.8	2.9	287

Source: Geojit Research, Bloomberg; Valuations of Transrail are based on upper end of the price band (post issue), Financials as per FY24 consolidated



## Subscribe

IPO Note

18<sup>th</sup> December 2024

## Price Range: ₹410 - ₹432

Issue Details	
Date of opening	December 19, 2024
Date of closing	December 23, 2024
Total No. of shares offered (cr.)	1.94
Post Issue No. of shares (cr)	13.4
Face Value	₹2
Bid Lot	34 Shares
Minimum application for retail (upper price band for 1 lot)	₹ 14,688
Maximum application for retail (upper price band for 13 lot)	₹ 1,90,944
Listing	BSE,NSE
Lead Managers	Inga Ventures Pvt Ltd, Axis Capital Limited, Hdfc Bank Limited, Idbi
Registrar	Link Intime India Private Ltd

Issue size (upper price)	Rs.cr			
Fresh Issue	400			
OFS	4	38.9		
Total Issue	838.9			
Shareholding (%)	Pre-Issue	Post Issue		
Promoter & Promo. Group.	84.5	71		
Public & others	15.5	29		
Total	100.0	100.0		
Issue structure	Allocation (%)	Size Rs.cr		
Retail	35	286.9		
Non-Institutional	15	123		
QIB	50	410		
Emp. Reservation	-	19		
Total	100	838.9		

Y.E March (Rs cr) Consol.	FY23	FY24	Q1FY25
Sales	3,152.1	4,076.4	915.7
Growth YoY(%)	34.1	29.3	
EBITDA	293.1	475.2	119.7
Margin(%)	9.3	11.7	13.1
PAT Adj.	107.7	233.1	51.9
Growth (%)	66.3	116.4	-
EPS	8.0	17.4	3.9
P/E (x)	53.8	24.9	111.7
EV/EBITDA (x)	21.9	13.6	53.7
P/BV(x)	7.5	5.1	4.8



#### **Business Description:**

**Transrail Lighting Ltd (TLI)** is an Indian engineering, procurement and construction ("EPC") company. Company primarily focuses on power transmission and distribution business and integrated manufacturing facilities for lattice structures, conductors, and monopoles. Transrail has footprint in 58 countries like Bangladesh, Kenya, Tanzania, Niger, Nigeria, Mali, Cameroon, Finland, Poland, Nicaragua etc. including turnkey EPCs or supply projects. Company has presence in all the power transmission and distribution business, the company has other business verticals, such as, civil construction, poles and lighting, and railways.

- Power transmission and distribution: Transrail Supply as well as design, engineering, procurement and construction of transmission lines and distribution lines. Company have designed, engineered, procured and constructed 34,654 CKM transmission lines and 30,000 CKM distribution lines, respectively, both domestically and internationally. Company provide EPC services in relation to air insulated and gas insulated substations.
- Civil construction: The company provide EPC services including design in relation to bridges, tunnels, elevated roads and cooling towers. Civil construction services are majorly provided domestically.
- Poles and Lighting: Company has a diverse product manufacturing set-up, including high masts, street poles, luminaries, power transmission and distribution monopoles, stadium lighting, derrick structures, road gantries and signages, flag masts, solar streetlights, decorative poles etc. Transrail operate as both manufacturers as well as supply, installation, testing and commissioning service providers in the poles and lighting segment.
- Railway services: Company provides several services in relation to railways including overhead electrification, signaling and telecommunication services, earthwork, track linking and other composite works.

	(Amount in ₹ million, unless otherwise stated)							wise stated)	
Vertical		ree months ed June 30, 24		ancial Year ch 31, 2024				ancial Year rch 31, 2022	Financia l Year ended
	Revenue of operation s generated	% of total revenue of operation s	Revenue of operation s generated	% of total revenue of operation s	Revenue of operation s generated	% of total revenue of operation s	Revenue of operation s generated	% of total revenue of operation s	March 31, 2024- March 31, 2022 CAGR (%)
Power transmissio n and distribution	7,460.30	83.18	33,611.20	83.83	24,065.58	77.98	15,359.16	67.24	47.93
Civil construction	1,040.25	11.60	3,741.21	9.33	3,317.82	10.75	4,420.31	19.35	(8.00)
Railways	194.82	2.17	974.25	2.43	1,760.93	5.71	1,521.43	6.66	(19.98)
Poles and lighting	273.66	3.05	1,765.64	4.4	1,717.04	5.56	1,540.52	6.74	7.06
Total	8,969.03	100.00	40,092.30	100.00	30,861.37	100.00	22,841.42	100.00	27.01

#### The details of contribution to revenue from operations by each vertical is set out below:

Source: RHP, Geojit Research

#### Market opportunity

The estimated investment in the transmission sector is expected to cumulatively reach approximately ₹3.00 trillion for Financial Year 2025-2029. The distribution segment is expected to attract investments worth Rs 3-4 trillion over fiscals 2025 to 2029 vis-à-vis ~Rs 3.3 trillion between fiscal 2019-2024 led by the government's thrust on the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme, improving access to electricity and providing 24x7 power to all. Further, internationally, power sector investment in Latin America and the Caribbean is also expected to increase to meet rising electricity demand and to modernise and expand grid infrastructure. (Source: CRISIL Report).

Details of revenue from business by geographical regions.

(Amount in ₹ million, unless otherwise stated)

Geography of client	For the three months period ended June 30, 2024	For the Financial Year ended March 31, 2024	For the Financial Year ended March 31, 2023	For the Financial Year ended March 31, 2022
In India	4,494.59	16,619.17	14,388.38	14,170.34
Outside India	4,474.44	23,473.13	16,472.99	8,671.08
Total	8,969.03	40,092.30	30,861.37	22,841.42

Source: RHP, Geojit Research





#### Key strengths:

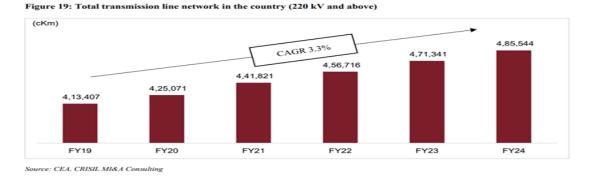
- Established presence and growth in power transmission and distribution vertical.
- The company has well established manufacturing facilities. These manufacturing facilities helps to reduce the dependence on third party suppliers for key products.
- Order Book has a healthy balance of international and domestic clients and has consistently witnessed growth over the past few years.
- Company provides leading-edge solutions in areas such as execution safety, workforce management and quality.

#### Key strategies:

- The company to Expand the EPC portfolio into other allied/ancillary infrastructure sectors.
- Transrail manufactures a very wide range of conventional overhead power conductors but have also successfully enhanced the offerings by adding high temperature conductors ("HTC") and HTLS conductors as new products.
- Company plans to further strengthen the product portfolio and more importantly increase the geographical footprint for the pole and lighting business vertical.

#### **Industry Outlook**

The power transmission and distribution system across India has expanded extensively. The total length of domestic transmission lines rose from 413,407 CKM in Financial Year ended March 31, 2019 to 485,544 CKM in Financial Year ended March 31, 2024. Further, India has the second-largest road network in the world, spanning 6.30 million KM. Large highways/expressways are the key demand drivers for the high mast lighting in India. With more than 20 expressways planned across the country and with award of approximately 5,000 KM of highways every year in the next five Financial Years, the demand for high masts is expected to be supported by road segment. (Source: CRISIL Report).



Source: RHP, Geojit Research

#### Promoter and promoter group

The Promoters of the company are Ajanma Holdings Private Limited, Digambar Chunnilal Bagde and Sanjay Kumar Verma. Ajanma Holdings Private Limited is a private limited company engaged in the business of buying, underwriting and investing in shares, stocks, debentures, bonds or securities as a holding and investment company.

#### **Brief Biographies of directors**

- Digambar Chunnilal Bagde is the Executive Chairman of the Company. He has over 40 years of experience in EPC industry.
- Randeep Narang is the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. He has over 35 years of experience in marketing and T&D.
- Sanjay Kumar Verma is the Non-Executive Director of the Company. He has approximately 8 years of experience in business administration and consulting, commodity trading and specialised technology.
- Srikant Chaturvedi is the Non-Executive Director of the Company. He has over 42 years of experience in chartered accountancy.
- Vita Jalaj Dani is the Non- Executive (Nominee) Director of the Company. She has over 12 years of experience in executive positions.
- Vinod Dasari is the Independent Director of the Company. He has several years of experience in executive position.
- Ashish Gupta is the Independent Director of the Company. He has over 30 years of experience in operations.
- Ravita Nirmal Punwani is the Independent Director of the Company. She has corporate exposure of ten years in microbiology and public relations and 26 years of experience in human resource consultancy.
- Ranjit Jatar is the Independent Director of the Company. He has nine years of experience in finance.
- Major General Dr. Dilawar Singh (Retd.) is the Independent Director of the Company. He has approximately 35 years of experience in defence services.





## **CONSOLIDATED FINANCIALS**

## **PROFIT & LOSS**

Y.E March (Rs cr)	FY23	FY24	Q1FY25
Sales	3,152	4,076.4	915.7
% change	34.1%	29.3%	-
EBITDA	293.1	475.2	119.7
% change	42%	62%	-
Depreciation	45.8	50.3	12.6
EBIT	247.3	424.9	107.1
Interest	119.6	162.6	43.8
Other Income	19.8	53.4	13.9
Exceptional items	-	-	-
PBT	147.5	315.7	77.2
% change	63%	114.1%	-
Тах	40.7	84.9	25.7
Tax Rate (%)	28%	27%	-
Reported PAT	107.7	233.1	51.9
Adj	-	-	-
Adj. PAT	107.7	233.1	51.9
% change	66.3%	116.4%	-
Post issue No. of shares (cr)	13.4	13.4	13.4
Adj EPS (Rs)	8.0	17.4	3.9
% change	66.3%	116.4%	-

## **CASH FLOW**

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Y.E March (Rs cr)	FY23	FY24	Q1FY25
PBT Adj.	147.5	315.70	77.20
Non-operating & non cash adj.	134.7	171.0	35
Changes in W.C	-125.6	-341.2	36.1
C.F.Operating	143	35	132
Capital expenditure	-54	-29	-23
Change in investment	-	-4.5	-
Sale of investment	-	3.3	0.07
Other invest.CF	-50.6	-48.1	-52.18
C.F - investing	-104.5	-78.3	-75.3
Issue of equity	-	140	-
Issue/repay debt	135.8	38.3	-39.8
Dividends paid	-	-	-
Other finance.CF	-106.7	-150.3	-38.3
C.F - Financing	29.1	27.9	-78.1
Change. in cash	67.4	-14.9	-21.4
Opening Cash	57.5	124.7	109.85
Closing cash	124.9	109.8	88.5

### **BALANCE SHEET**

Y.E March (Rs cr)	FY23	FY24	Q1FY25
Cash	198.1	223.8	244.7
Accounts Receivable	644.8	1026.1	914
Inventories	310.9	378.2	465.4
Other Cur. Assets	1,789	2,498.3	2,688.3
Investments	-	-	-
Deff. Tax Assets	-	-	-
Net Fixed Assets	360.4	347.4	354.7
CWIP	4.1	5.7	7.0
Intangible Assets	18.5	26.4	24.4
Other Assets	116	109.1	132
Total Assets	3,445	4,620	4,835
Current Liabilities	1,872.3	2,633.1	2,807.9
Provisions	112.3	107	106.4
Debt Funds	621.1	667.2	625.4
Other Fin. Labilities	46.2	46.2	53.3
Deferred Tax liability	21.6	27.6	38.2
Equity Capital	771.4	1,139.1	1,204.3
Reserves & Surplus	-	-	-
Shareholder's Fund	771.4	1,139.1	1,204.3
Total Liabilities	3,445	4,620	4,836
BVPS (Rs)	57.5	84.8	89.7

## RATIOS

Y.E March	FY23	FY24	Q1FY25
Profitab. & Return			
EBITDA margin (%)	9.3	11.7	13.1
EBIT margin (%)	7.8	10.4	11.7
Net profit mgn.(%)	3.4	5.7	5.7
ROE (%)	14	20.5	4.3
ROCE (%)	15.4	22	4.4
W.C & Liquidity			
Receivables (days)	74	75	96
Inventory (days)	50	46	66
Payables (days)	151	149	167
Current ratio (x)	1.5	1.5	1.5
Quick ratio (x)	0.5	0.5	0.4
Turnover & Levg.			
Net asset T.O (x)	9.2	11.5	5.2
Total asset T.O (x)	1.0	1.0	0.2
Int. covge. ratio (x)	2.1	2.6	2.4
Adj. debt/equity (x)	0.8	0.6	0.5
Valuation ratios			
EV/Sales (x)	2.0	1.6	7.0
EV/EBITDA (x)	21.9	13.6	53.7
P/E (x)	53.8	24.9	111.7
P/BV (x)	7.5	5.1	4.8



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