

BDL: Execution Recovery Begins; Multi-programme Ramp-up Ahead

Aug 16, 2026 | CMP: INR 1,398 | Target Price: INR 1,600

BUY

Expected Share Price Return: 14.5% | Dividend Yield: 0.5% | Potential upside: 15.0%

Sector View: Positive

Change in Estimates	✓
Change in Target Price	✓
Change in Recommendation	✗

Company Info

BB Code	BDL IN EQUITY
Face Value (INR)	5.0
52-wk High/Low (INR)	1,654/1,086
Mkt Cap (Bn)	INR 512.5/\$ 5.4
Shares o/s (Mn)	366.6
3M Avg. Daily Volume (NSE)	1,297,417

Change in CIE Estimates

	FY27E			FY28E		
INR Bn	New	Old	Dev. (%)	New	Old	Dev. (%)
Revenue	39.5	37.0	6.7	65.1	61.0	6.7
EBITDA	7.4	7.0	6.7	12.3	11.5	6.7
EBITDAM %	18.8	18.8	-	18.9	18.9	-
PAT	8.8	8.3	6.4	14.6	13.7	6.4
EPS (INR)	24.1	22.7	6.4	39.8	37.4	6.4

Actual vs CIE Estimates

INR Mn	Q1FY27A	CIE Est.	Dev. %
Revenue	5,657	3,466	63.2
EBITDA	831	107	680.0
EBITDAM %	14.7	3.1	1,161 bps
PAT	1,188	710	67.4

Key Financials

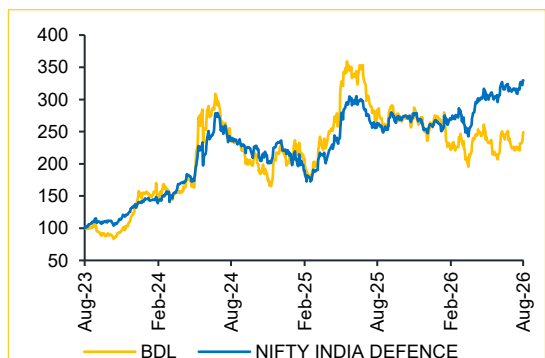
INR Mn	FY25	FY26	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
Revenue	33,451	24,418	39,496	65,105	97,561
YoY Growth (%)	41.2	(27.0)	61.7	64.8	49.9
EBITDA	4,724	2,234	7,425	12,305	18,537
EBITDAM (%)	14.1	9.1	18.8	18.9	19.0
Adjusted PAT	5,496	4,203	8,845	14,576	21,867
EPS (INR)	15.0	11.5	24.1	39.8	59.6
ROE %	13.7	9.9	18.0	23.9	27.4
ROCE %	7.4	5.3	10.4	15.0	19.2
PE(x)	93.2	121.9	57.9	35.2	23.4
Price to BV (x)	12.8	12.1	10.4	8.4	6.4

Shareholding Pattern (%)

	Jun-26	Mar-26	Dec-25
Promoters	74.93	74.93	74.93
FIIIs	1.69	2.02	2.29
DIIIs	11.53	10.97	10.94
Public	11.85	12.10	11.83

Relative Performance (%)

	3Yr.	2Yr.	1Yr.
NIFTY INDIA DEFENCE	229.7	39.8	25.7
BDL	149.1	6.1	(11.4)



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Execution Recovery Begins; Multi-programme Ramp-up Ahead

BDL delivered a **strong recovery in Q1FY27**, with revenue from operations rising **131% YoY, significantly above our estimate**, as execution improved sharply from the weak FY26 base. **We believe the Q1 numbers are an early indication that the FY26 execution bottleneck is beginning to ease**, although quarterly performance will remain lumpy, given the milestone-based nature of missile deliveries. Importantly, the sharp improvement in revenue alongside a significant inventory build suggests that **BDL is positioning inventory ahead of a stronger execution cycle rather than merely benefitting from a one-off shipment**.

More importantly, we see the next leg of BDL's growth being driven by the **transition of multiple missile programmes from development/procurement into volume production**. The immediate trigger, in our view, is **QRSAM**, where **CCS approval is the key remaining procedural step and an order is expected in the near term**. However, we assume the revenue contribution will build gradually, as the initial QRSAM order is likely to have a **6-7 year execution cycle**. Beyond QRSAM, continued execution of **MRSAM/LRSAM, Astra, Akash/Akash-NG, VL-SRSAM, Nag/HELINA and MPATGM** should provide **multiple revenue streams across FY27-29E**. We, therefore, believe the key change from FY26 is that **BDL is moving towards a broader, multi-programme production cycle, which should reduce its dependence on the timing of any single programme and support a more sustained revenue recovery**.

We remain constructive on BDL's multi-year growth trajectory, supported by the recovery in execution, a strong missile pipeline and increasing indigenisation across strategic weapon systems. **We expect FY27-29E to mark a sharp earnings recovery as the low FY26 base normalises and multiple programmes progressively enter production**, with QRSAM providing an additional growth driver as volumes scale up. Accordingly, we **raise our TP to INR 1,600**, valuing the stock at **40x FY28E EPS**, reflecting our confidence in the company's **multi-year growth opportunity and improving execution visibility**. We maintain our **'BUY'** rating on the stock.

Strong Revenue Growth, EBITDA Improves Sharply

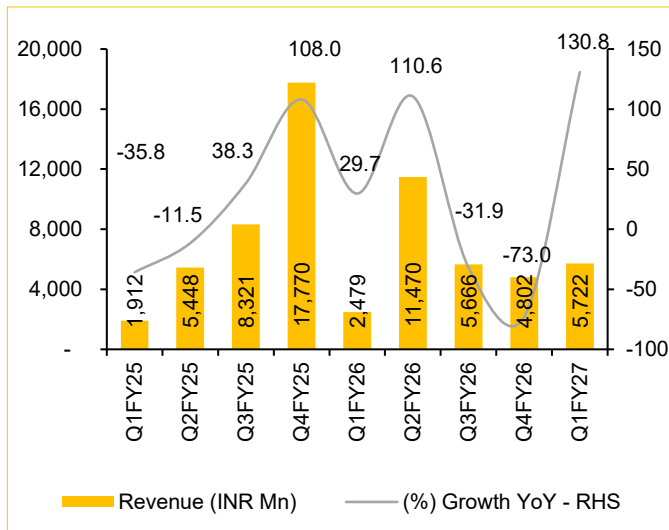
- Revenue for Q1FY27 up by 144.8% YoY & up by 15.8% QoQ at INR 5,657 Mn (vs CIE est. of INR 3,466 Mn)
- EBITDA stood at INR 831 Mn, up 50.3% QoQ (vs CIE est. of INR 107 Mn). EBITDA margin stood at 14.7%, expanding by 3,432 bps YoY (vs CIE est. of 3.1%)
- PAT for Q1FY27 up by 547.4% YoY and up by 4.9% QoQ at INR 1,188 Mn (vs CIE est. of INR 710 Mn). PAT margin stood at 21.0%, expanding by 1,306 bps YoY (vs CIE est. 20.5%)

Particulars (INR Mn)	Q1FY27	Q1FY26	YoY (%)	Q4FY26	QoQ (%)
Revenue	5,722	2,479	130.8	4,802	19.2
Material Expenses	2,774	592	368.3	1,806	53.6
Gross Profit	2,948	1,887	56.3	2,996	(1.6)
Employee Expenses	1,364	1,320	3.3	1,035	31.7
Other Expenses	754	1,021	(26.2)	1,408	(46.5)
EBITDA	831	(454)	(283.1)	553	50.3
Other Income	1,034	869	19.1	1,192	(13.2)
Depreciation	202	177	14.7	198	2.0
EBIT	1,663	238	597.7	1,546	7.5
Interest Cost	6	7	(8.4)	7	(4.5)
PBT	1,656	231	616.0	1,539	7.6
Tax	468	48	879.2	407	15.1
RPAT	1,188	183	547.4	1,132	4.9
Adj EPS (INR)	1,188	183	547.4	1,132	4.9

Margin Analysis	Q1FY27	Q1FY26	YoY (bps)	Q4FY26	QoQ (bps)
Gross Margin (%)	51.5	76.1	(2,458)	62.4	(1,087)
Emp. Exp. % of Sales	23.8	53.2	(2,940)	21.6	228
Other Exp. % of Sales	13.2	41.2	(2,801)	29.3	(1,615)
EBITDA Margin (%)	14.5	(18.3)	3,282	11.5	300
Tax Rate (%)	28.3	20.7	760	26.4	183
APAT Margin (%)	20.8	7.4	1,336	23.6	(282)

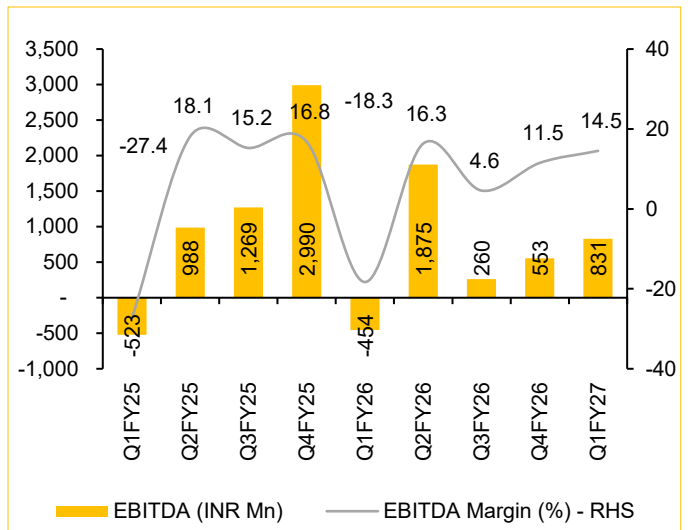
Source: BDL, Choice Institutional Equities

Revenue up 130.8% on a YoY basis



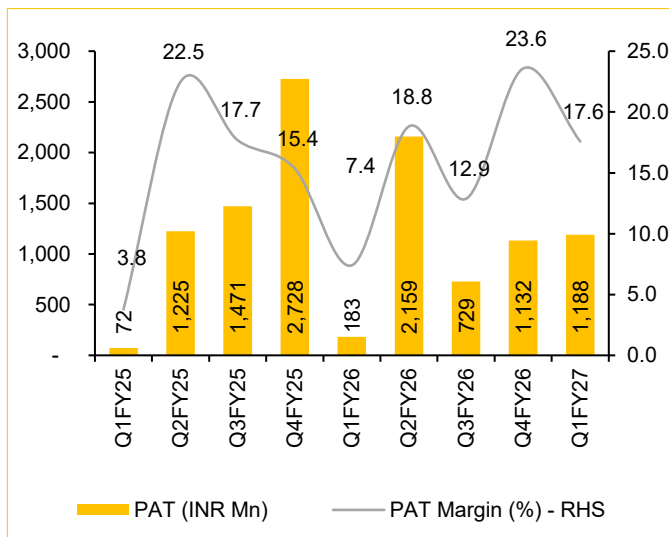
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EBITDA up 50.3% on a QoQ basis



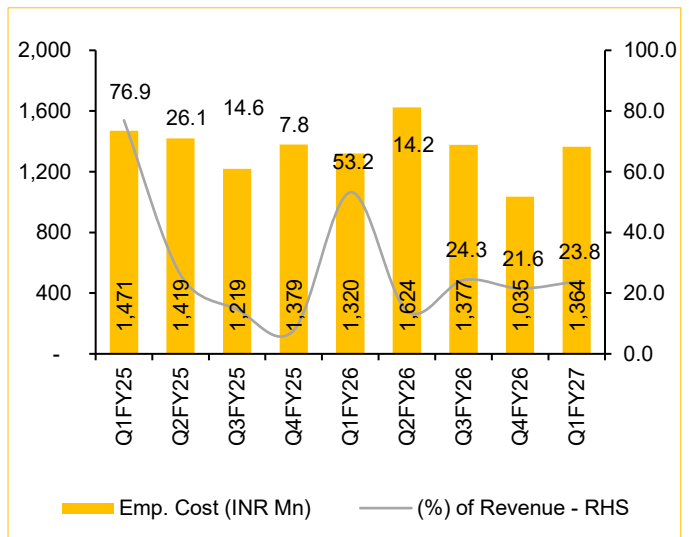
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PAT witnessed a 6.5x jump on a YoY basis



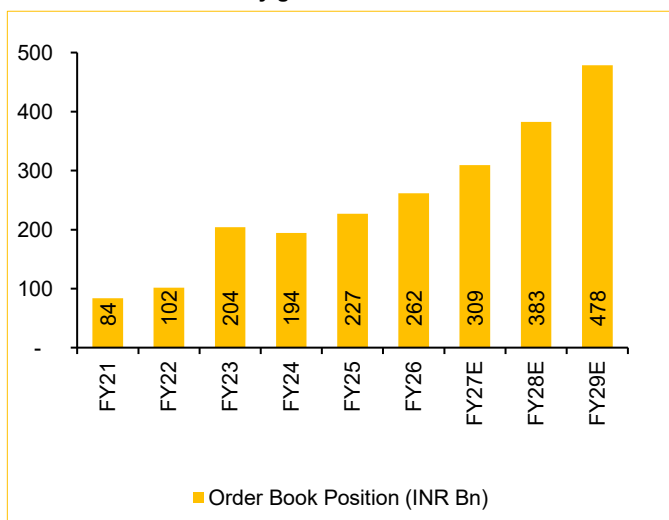
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Employee cost trend



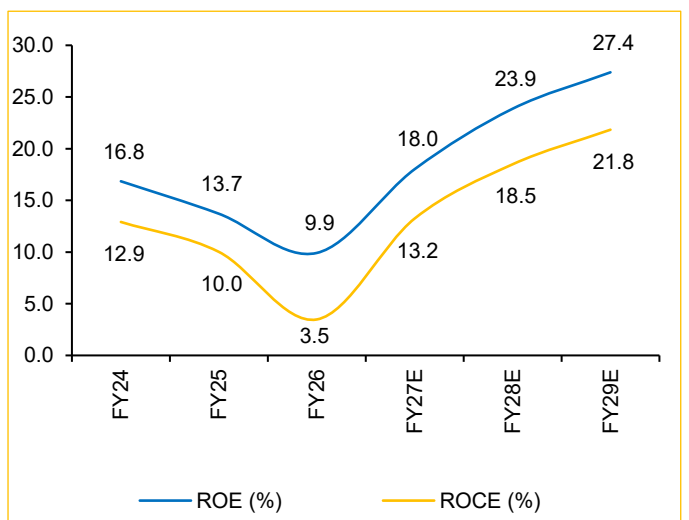
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Order book to see healthy growth over FY27-29E



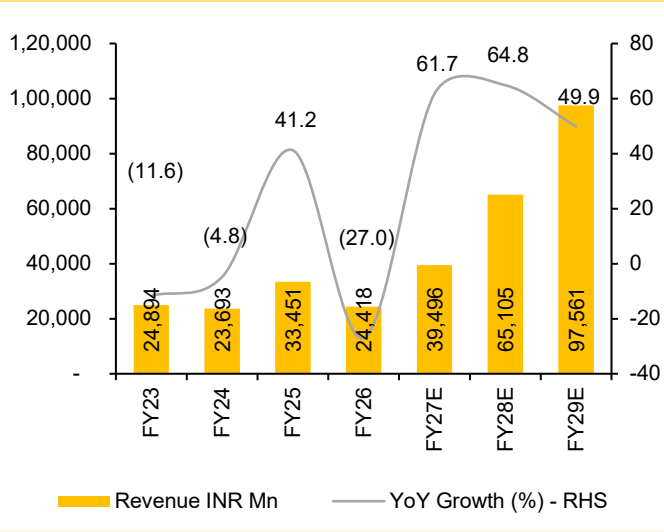
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ROE & ROCE trend



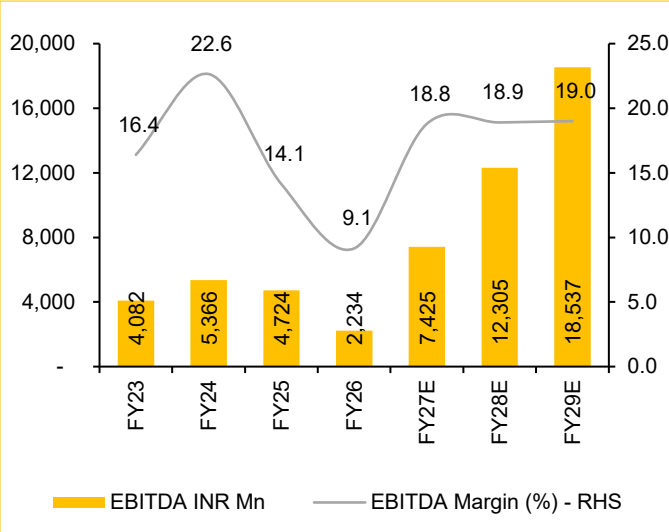
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Revenue expected to expand ~58.2% CAGR over FY26–29E



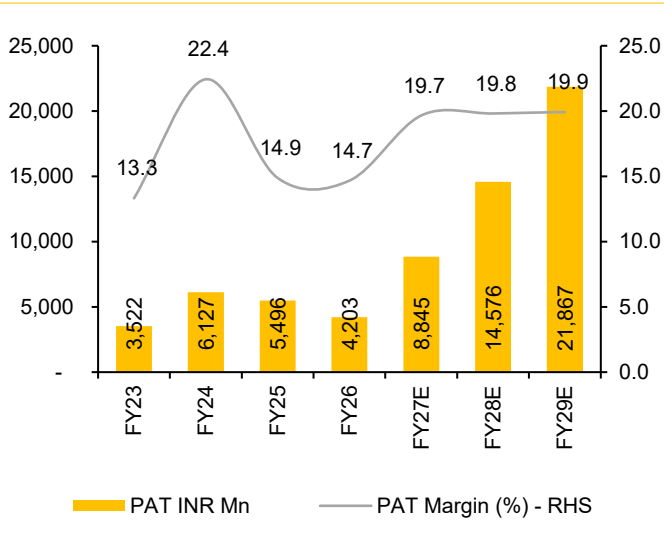
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EBITDA margin anticipated to improve significantly



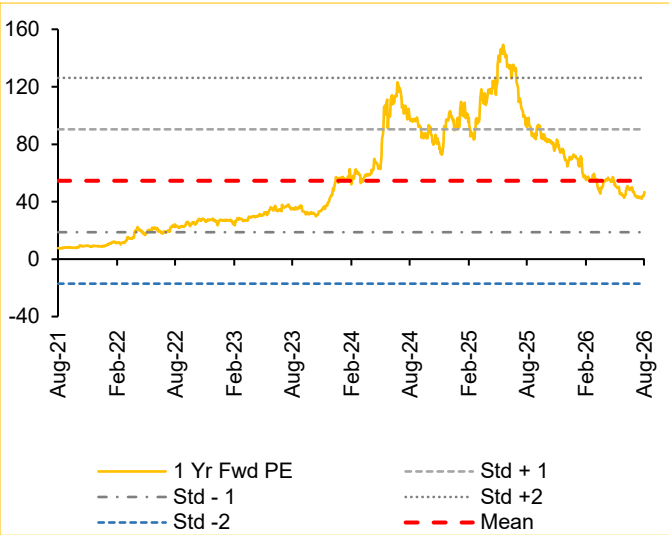
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PAT anticipated to expand 73.3% CAGR over FY26–29E



Source: BDL, Choice Institutional Equities

One-year forward PE band



Source: BDL, Choice Institutional Equities

Income Statement (Consolidated – INR Mn)

Particulars	FY26	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
Revenue	24,418	39,496	65,105	97,561
Gross Profit	12,193	21,999	36,198	54,146
EBITDA	2,234	7,425	12,305	18,537
Other Income	4,238	5,490	8,464	12,195
Depreciation	759	923	1,013	1,103
EBIT	2,200	7,386	12,246	18,459
Interest Expense	34	39	59	78
PBT	5,678	11,953	19,697	29,551
Reported PAT	4,203	8,845	14,576	21,867
EPS (INR)	11.5	24.1	39.8	59.6

Ratio Analysis	FY26	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
Growth Ratios				
Revenue (%)	(27.0)	61.7	64.8	49.9
EBITDA (%)	(52.7)	232.4	65.7	50.6
PAT (%)	(23.5)	110.4	64.8	50.0
Margin Ratios				
EBITDA Margins (%)	9.1	18.8	18.9	19.0
PAT Margins (%)	14.7	19.7	19.8	19.9
Performance Ratios				
OCF/EBITDA (x)	2.7	1.1	0.7	0.6
ROE (%)	9.9	18.0	23.9	27.4
ROCE (%)	5.3	10.4	15.0	19.2
Turnover Ratio (Days)				
Inventory	691	330	310	290
Debtors	63	65	65	65
Payables	424	170	160	150
Cash Conversion Cycle (Days)	331	225	215	205
Leverage Ratio				
Net Debt to Equity (x)	(1.1)	(1.0)	(0.8)	(0.7)
Valuation Metrics				
Outstanding Shares (Mn)	366.6	366.6	366.6	366.6
Price (INR)	1398.0	1398.0	1398.0	1398.0
Market Cap (INR Bn)	512.5	512.5	512.5	512.5
PE (x)	121.9	57.9	35.2	23.4
EV (INR Bn)	465.4	464.1	462.7	459.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	208.4	62.5	37.6	24.8
Book Value (INR/Share)	115.7	133.9	166.6	217.8
Price/BV (x)	12.1	10.4	8.4	6.4

Source: BDL, Choice Institutional Equities

Balance Sheet (Consolidated – INR Mn)

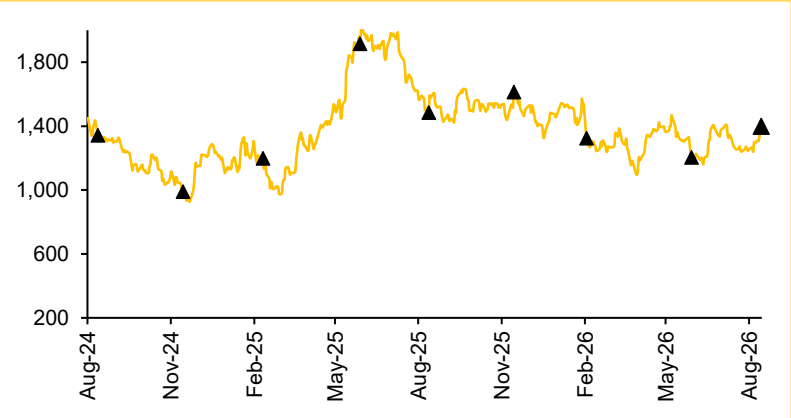
Particulars	FY26	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
Net Worth	42,410	49,099	61,088	79,851
Total Debt	0	0	0	0
Other Long-term Liab.	36,747	35,551	35,812	34,151
Trade Payables	28,348	18,395	28,539	40,094
Other Current Liabilities	35,110	49,370	77,474	1,05,366
Total Liabilities	1,42,615	1,52,415	2,02,913	2,59,462
Net Fixed Assets	7,495	8,071	8,558	8,955
Capital WIP	1,741	2,370	2,604	1,951
Intangible Assets	2,532	2,615	2,702	2,758
Other Non-curr. Asset	3,277	4,779	7,201	9,795
Inventories	46,256	35,709	55,294	77,514
Trade Receivables	4,229	7,034	11,594	17,374
Cash & Bank Balance	47,093	48,359	49,802	53,228
Other Current Assets	29,991	43,479	65,159	87,887
Total Assets	1,42,615	1,52,415	2,02,913	2,59,462
Capital Employed	79,157	84,650	96,900	1,14,002
Net Debt	(47,093)	(48,359)	(49,802)	(53,228)
FCFF	3,753	6,871	6,569	10,267

Particulars	FY26	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
Cash Flows from Operations	6,040	8,371	8,069	11,767
Cash Flows from Investing	3,196	(3,713)	(4,243)	(3,498)
Cash Flows from Financing	(1,942)	(3,391)	(2,384)	(4,843)

DuPont Analysis	FY26	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
Tax Burden	74.0%	74.0%	74.0%	74.0%
Interest Burden	258.1%	161.8%	160.8%	160.1%
EBIT Margin	9.0%	18.7%	18.8%	18.9%
Asset Turnover	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4
Equity Multiplier	3.4	3.1	3.3	3.2
ROE	9.9%	18.0%	23.9%	27.4%

Source: BDL, Choice Institutional Equities

Historical Price Chart: Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL)



Date	Rating	Target Price
Aug 12, 2024	REDUCE	1,501
Nov 16, 2024	BUY	1,445
Feb 10, 2025	HOLD	1,190
May 28, 2025	REDUCE	1,785
Aug 12, 2025	BUY	1,965
Nov 14, 2025	BUY	1,965
Feb 01, 2026	BUY	1,965
May 29, 2026	BUY	1,500
Aug 16, 2026	BUY	1,600

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BUY	The security is expected to generate upside of 15% or more over the next 12 months
ADD	The security is expected to show upside returns from 5% to less than 15% over the next 12 months
REDUCE	The security is expected to show upside or downside returns by 5% to -5% over the next 12 months
SELL	The security is expected to show downside of 5% or more over the next 12 months
Mid & Small Cap*	
BUY	The security is expected to generate upside of 20% or more over the next 12 months
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REDUCE	The security is expected to show upside or downside returns by 5% to -10% over the next 12 months
SELL	The security is expected to show downside of 10% or more over the next 12 months
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POSITIVE (P)	Fundamentals of the sector look attractive over the next 12 months
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