

Black Box | BUY

Bookings reaffirm revival hopes

Black Box's 1Q revenue growth (-3% YoY) missed expectations (JMFe: +2%). Tariff-linked delays further weighed on a seasonally soft quarter. Unchanged guidance suggests the slowdown in transitory though. Management expects Q2 to be better followed by a strong H2. Importantly, composition of deal wins, strong deal pipeline and robust order inflow guidance suggest Black Box's refreshed GTM/Sales strategy is working. Two-thirds of Black Box's USD 176mn order wins in 1Q were from high value contracts, a key focus area. Order pipeline remains strong at USD 2bn+. Management guided for USD 1bn order inflow in FY26 (+35% YoY; JMFe), spread across Data Centre (USD 200-250mn) and enterprises, indicating improving win-ratio. With 4-6 months' transition phase and 9-12 months of execution timeline, this will set the company up for a strong FY27. Focus on top accounts and larger deal sizes should drive S&M leverage too, though pipeline build-up might keep the near-term margin expansion under check. We therefore build lower end of FY26's revenue/margin guidance. Still, our EPS CAGR over FY25-28E remains healthy at 32%. In that context, valuations - at 23x FY27E EPS - appear reasonable. BUY.

- **1QFY26 – Misses expectations:** Black Box's Q1FY26 revenue declined 2.6%YoY missing JMFe: +2.4%YoY. Revenue was impacted by delayed equipment procurement at select clients due to tariff related uncertainty. Among segments, others/consulting led with 44% YoY growth, TPS grew 6% while system integration declined 6%YoY. Reported EBITDA margins stood at 8.4%, (+30bps YoY), missing JMFe: 9.0%. Margins were impacted by lower fixed-cost absorption given lower revenues. PAT rose 28% YoY to INR 474mn vs JMFe: 36%YoY. It won USD 176mn of orders, taking order backlog to USD 518mn (USD 504mn in 4Q25). Notable wins include a leading US financial services giant, large OTT player and a prominent US public services org. The company also won two significant DC orders from a large hyperscaler and a top-10 global colo provider.
- **Outlook- USD 1bn+ order wins in FY26:** BBOX expects Q2 growth to be better than Q1 before accelerating in H2, as recent deal wins ramp and tariff related delays normalise. Strong pipeline - USD 2bn+ - and improved win rates underpin their strong order-booking outlook as well. Management targets USD 1bn+ (+35% YoY) in cumulative order wins for FY26 and expects to exit FY26 with an order backlog of USD700mn+. This should set them up for a strong FY27. Data centre orders will contribute 20-25% of this with visibility improving across hyperscalers and colo providers. Margins are expected to recover as growth returns and SG&A reduces with tail rationalisation. These reflect in unchanged FY26 guidance - 13-17% YoY revenue growth, 9-9.2% EBITDA margin and 29%-39% YoY PAT growth. That said, a back-ended recovery is always a risk.
- **EPS changes (3%)-3%; Maintain BUY:** Our revenue. est. see limited changes of (0.8%)-1% over FY26-28E as guidance remains unchanged. Q1 miss drives 16-28bps cuts to our margin est. for FY26-28E leading to (3%)-3% EPS change. We project 32% EPS CAGR over FY25-28E. Our target PER of 30x (unchanged), in that context is reasonable. Our target price rolls forward to INR 710 (from INR 670). Reiterate BUY.

| Financial Summary | | | | | (INR mn) |
|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|
| Y/E March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E | FY28E |
| Net Sales | 62,816 | 59,669 | 67,415 | 78,957 | 92,692 |
| Sales Growth (%) | -0.1 | -5.0 | 13.0 | 17.1 | 17.4 |
| EBITDA | 4,262 | 5,374 | 6,011 | 7,371 | 9,067 |
| EBITDA Margin (%) | 6.8 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 9.3 | 9.8 |
| Adjusted Net Profit | 1,377 | 2,048 | 2,659 | 3,625 | 4,733 |
| Diluted EPS (INR) | 8.2 | 12.1 | 15.6 | 21.3 | 27.9 |
| Diluted EPS Growth (%) | 478.9 | 48.0 | 29.2 | 36.4 | 30.5 |
| ROIC (%) | 52.3 | 45.6 | 35.5 | 35.6 | 38.7 |
| ROE (%) | 35.4 | 33.0 | 29.8 | 30.1 | 29.1 |
| P/E (x) | 60.6 | 41.0 | 31.7 | 23.2 | 17.8 |
| P/B (x) | 17.4 | 11.1 | 8.2 | 6.1 | 4.5 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 20.1 | 16.4 | 14.7 | 11.7 | 9.3 |
| Dividend Yield (%) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

Source: Company data, JM Financial. Note: Valuations as of 13/Aug/2025



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Recommendation and Price Target

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|----------------------------|-------|
| Current Reco. | BUY |
| Previous Reco. | BUY |
| Current Price Target (12M) | 710 |
| Upside/(Downside) | 49.7% |
| Previous Price Target | 670 |
| Change | 6.0% |

Key Data – BBOX IN

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|--------------------------|------------------|
| Current Market Price | INR474 |
| Market cap (bn) | INR84.2/US\$1.0 |
| Free Float | 24% |
| Shares in issue (mn) | 169.1 |
| Diluted share (mn) | 169.9 |
| 3-mon avg daily val (mn) | INR133.1/US\$1.5 |
| 52-week range | 716/321 |
| Sensex/Nifty | 80,598/24,631 |
| INR/US\$ | 87.6 |

Price Performance

| % | 1M | 6M | 12M |
|-----------|------|------|------|
| Absolute | -5.6 | 3.8 | -6.5 |
| Relative* | -3.6 | -2.2 | -8.2 |

* To the BSE Sensex

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Key highlights from the call

- **Demand:** Management highlighted that order inflow for Q1FY26 remained steady at USD 176mn, with nearly two-thirds contributed by high-value deals. They noted that revenue for the quarter declined 3% YoY, impacted by client-side delays in equipment procurement due to tariff-related uncertainties, particularly in the US. Leadership mentioned that the delays have pushed revenue recognition into future quarters, though these projects remain in execution. Management indicated that the demand environment remains robust, aided by AI-driven infrastructure refresh cycles and strong activity across data center, workplace, and networking verticals.
- **Outlook:** Leadership expects revenue to ramp from Q2 onwards as delayed Q1 orders begin execution. Hence, they expect Q2 to be significantly better than Q1. Management is targeting USD 1bn in order bookings for FY26 and aims to exit the year with a USD 700mn backlog. They highlighted that the average lead times for revenue recognition have extended to 4–6 months due to the shift towards larger strategic deals. However, management indicated that the current pipeline of over USD 2bn, along with improved conversion across verticals, positions the company well for H2 acceleration. They cited the new GTM structure and vertical-focused leadership as key enablers in expanding wallet share and driving growth in annuity-led engagements.
- **Margins:** Management reported that EBITDA for Q1FY26 remained flat YoY at INR 1.16bn, with margins improving 30bps YoY to 8.4%. Management attributed sequential decline to lower fixed cost absorption. Leadership highlighted that fixed costs absorption will be better in the coming quarters as revenues increase. They noted that PAT growth was aided by lower tax and reduced exceptional items, with PAT margin expanding 80bps YoY to 3.4%. Despite near-term pressures, management reaffirmed its full-year EBITDA margin guidance of 9-9.2%.
- **GTM strategy:** Management highlighted that the revamped go-to-market strategy - built around vertical-led leadership, horizontal solution alignment, and deeper client engagement has started to yield tangible results. They noted that under the new structure, the company is now engaging in larger, multi-country deals and expanding wallet share within existing clients. The company mentioned that their strategy has driven higher quality of client conversations and improved positioning across verticals like airports, healthcare, and hyperscaler infrastructure.
- **Client rationalisation:** Leadership reiterated that the company continues to focus on client rationalisation by cutting down low-value, one-time transactional accounts. They highlighted that the long tail has now reduced to under 1,000 accounts, down from 2,000+ two years ago. Management explained that these accounts were subscale, with deal sizes typically under USD 50,000 and high SG&A overheads relative to revenue contribution. The company noted that the strategic focus going forward is to build deeper, long-term relationships with top 100-200 clients across each vertical and pivot toward larger, multi-year engagements.
- **Bookings and orderbook:** The Company mentioned key wins, including a very large financial services project in the US, a workplace engagement for a global OTT player in LATAM, and data center orders in the US from a Global hyperscaler and a top-10 co-location provider. Management highlighted that the orderbook stood at USD 518mn at the end of Q1FY26, up from USD 504mn in FY25. The company expects deal closures to accelerate from Q2, supported by a healthy pipeline of over USD 2bn. Management clarified that the pipeline figure is dynamic and continuously replenished as deals convert, with visibility improving across hyperscaler, airport, and enterprise accounts. They noted that their focus on larger deal sizes and multi-country contracts has improved win rates and led to greater predictability in the booking funnel.
- **Data centre opportunity:** Management highlighted that data center-related orders are expected to contribute 20–25% of FY26 order inflows, with average execution timelines ranging between 6–9 months. They noted that while contribution was slightly lower over the last few quarters, recent wins signal strong momentum. Management shared that Black Box holds preferred vendor status with several large clients and executes both

directly and through master contractors, depending on the site and geography. They also highlighted their relationship with Meta – dealing directly with them as well as working with their large vendors. The company noted that relationships are expanding beyond initial build-outs to include support, with 10–15% of workforce typically retained for ongoing service, positioning the company as a long-term strategic partner rather than a transactional vendor.

Exhibit 1. 1QFY26 result summary

| | 1Q26A | 1Q25A | Change (YoY) | 4Q25A | Change (QoQ) | Estimate (JMFe) | Variance (vs. JMFe) | JMFe - YoY |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------|
| USD-INR* | 85.5 | 83.43 | 2.5% | 86.38 | -1.0% | 85.40 | 0.1% | 2.4% |
| CC Revenue Growth (QoQ) | -9% | -10.8% | 148bp | 0.5% | -977bp | 0.0% | -932bp | 1080bp |
| Revenue (USD mn)* | 162 | 171 | -5% | 179 | -9% | 171 | -5% | 0.0% |
| Revenue (INR mn) | 13,867 | 14,234 | -3% | 15,446 | -10% | 14,573 | -5% | 2.4% |
| EBITDA (INR mn) –ex FX | 1,048 | 1,187 | -12% | 1,428 | -27% | 1,312 | -20% | 10.5% |
| EBITDA margin | 7.6% | 8.3% | -78bp | 9.2% | -169bp | 9.0% | -144bp | 66bp |
| EBIT (INR mn) | 782 | 924 | -15% | 1,153 | -32% | 998 | -22% | 8.1% |
| EBIT margin | 5.6% | 6.5% | -85bp | 7.5% | -182bp | 6.9% | -121bp | 36bp |
| PAT (INR mn) | 474 | 371 | 28% | 605 | -22% | 504 | -6% | 36.0% |
| EPS (INR) | 2.79 | 2.21 | 26% | 3.57 | -22% | 2.98 | -6% | 34.7% |

*USD/INR rate estimated based on averages. USD revenues calculated from estimated conversion rates. Source: Company, JM Financial estimates

Exhibit 2. Guidance remains unchanged

| | FY25 actual | FY26 guidance | |
|-----------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | Earlier | Revised |
| Revenue - INRmn | 59,670 | 67,500-70,000 | 67,500-70,000 |
| -YoY growth | | 13.1%-17.3% | 13.1%-17.3% |
| EBITDA - INRmn | 5,310 | 6,050-6,450 | 6,050-6,450 |
| -YoY growth | | 13.9%-21.4% | 13.9%-21.4% |
| EBITDA margin | 8.90% | 9.0%-9.2% | 9.0%-9.2% |
| -YoY change | | 10bps - 30 bps | 10bps - 30 bps |
| PAT -INRmn | 2,050 | 2,650-2,850 | 2,650-2,850 |
| -YoY growth | | 29.3%-39.0% | 29.3%-39.0% |
| PAT margin | 3.40% | 3.8%-4.1% | 3.8%-4.1% |
| -YoY change | | 40bps - 70 bps | 40bps - 70 bps |

Source: Company, JM Financial

1QFY26 result review

Exhibit 3. Key financials

| INR mn | 1Q25 | 2Q25 | 3Q25 | 4Q25 | FY25 | 1Q26 |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| USD/INR* | 83.43 | 83.78 | 84.86 | 86.38 | 84.60 | 85.40 |
| Revenue from operations (USD mn)* | 171 | 179 | 177 | 179 | 705 | 162 |
| Growth YoY | -10.8% | -6.0% | -11.1% | 0.5% | -7.0% | -4.8% |
| Revenue from Operations | 14,234 | 14,972 | 15,017 | 15,446 | 59,669 | 13,867 |
| Growth YoY | -9.4% | -4.9% | -9.3% | 4.3% | -5.0% | -2.6% |
| Gross profit | 4,390 | 4,520 | 4,480 | 4,550 | 17,940 | 4,280 |
| Gross profit margin | 30.8% | 30.2% | 29.8% | 29.5% | 30.1% | 30.9% |
| Gain on foreign currency translation | -40 | 30 | -100 | 40 | -70 | 110 |
| Total other expenses | 3,200 | 3,190 | 3,050 | 3,120 | 12,560 | 3,230 |
| Reported EBITDA | 1,150 | 1,360 | 1,330 | 1,470 | 5,310 | 1,160 |
| Reported EBITDA margin | 8.1% | 9.1% | 8.9% | 9.5% | 8.9% | 8.4% |
| EBITDA ex-FX transaction | 1,187 | 1,326 | 1,433 | 1,428 | 5,374 | 1,048 |
| EBITDA margin | 8.3% | 8.9% | 9.5% | 9.2% | 9.0% | 7.6% |
| Depreciation and amortization | 263 | 283 | 312 | 275 | 1,133 | 266 |
| EBIT | 924 | 1,043 | 1,121 | 1,153 | 4,242 | 782 |
| EBIT margin | 6.5% | 7.0% | 7.5% | 7.5% | 7.1% | 5.6% |
| Finance cost | 339 | 323 | 313 | 472 | 1,447 | 336 |
| Other income | 11 | 10 | 14 | 15 | 50 | 17 |
| PBT | 595 | 731 | 823 | 696 | 2,845 | 464 |
| PBT margin | 4.2% | 4.9% | 5.5% | 4.5% | 4.8% | 3.3% |
| Share of net profit from associate | 4 | -1 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 0 |
| Gain/ (loss) on foreign currency translation | -44 | 24 | -98 | 41 | -77 | 115 |
| Exceptional items | -153 | -207 | -134 | -163 | -657 | -126 |
| Total tax expense | 32 | 35 | 32 | -27 | 71 | -22 |
| PAT | 371 | 511 | 561 | 605 | 2,048 | 474 |
| PAT margin | 2.6% | 3.4% | 3.7% | 3.9% | 3.4% | 3.4% |
| Growth YoY | 54.9% | 60.0% | 37.2% | 47.8% | 48.7% | 27.9% |
| Basic EPS | 2.21 | 3.04 | 3.33 | 3.57 | 12.16 | 2.80 |
| Diluted EPS | 2.20 | 3.04 | 3.28 | 3.54 | 12.11 | 2.79 |

Source: Company, JM Financial

Exhibit 4. Order backlog details

| USDmn | 1Q25 | 2Q25 | 3Q25 | 4Q25 | 1Q26 |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Order backlog | | | | | |
| Managed services + T&M | 158 | 160 | 170 | 180 | 190 |
| Maintenance contract | 135 | 130 | 134 | 185 | 157 |
| Projects | 167 | 147 | 141 | 121 | 150 |
| Products | 15 | 18 | 20 | 18 | 20 |
| Total | 475 | 455 | 465 | 504 | 517 |
| % share | | | | | |
| Managed services + T&M | 33% | 35% | 37% | 36% | 37% |
| Maintenance contract | 28% | 29% | 29% | 37% | 30% |
| Projects | 35% | 32% | 30% | 24% | 29% |
| Products | 3% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 4% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Net New Order | | | | | |
| Opening Order | 470 | 475 | 455 | 465 | 504 |
| Less: Consumed | -171 | -179 | -177 | -179 | -162 |
| Ending Order book | 475 | 455 | 465 | 504 | 517 |
| Net New Order | 176 | 159 | 187 | 218 | 175 |

Source: Company, JM Financial

Two-thirds of new order inflow came from high value deals, a key focus area of Black Box's renewed sales strategy

Exhibit 5. Revenue by Geography

| | 1Q25 | 2Q25 | 3Q25 | 4Q25 | 1Q26 |
|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Geographies | | | | | |
| North America | 77% | 77% | 68% | 62% | 65% |
| India | 6% | 6% | 6% | 10% | 6% |
| Europe | 8% | 8% | 8% | 12% | 10% |
| MEA | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 4% |
| APAC | 5% | 5% | 14% | 12% | 12% |
| Latin America | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 3% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Geographies - Revenue (INRmn) | | | | | |
| North America | 10,960 | 11,452 | 10,223 | 9,603 | 9,062 |
| India | 854 | 892 | 901 | 1,536 | 824 |
| Europe | 1,139 | 1,190 | 1,201 | 1,845 | 1,373 |
| MEA | 285 | 297 | 300 | 309 | 549 |
| APAC | 712 | 744 | 2,091 | 1,845 | 1,648 |
| Latin America | 285 | 297 | 300 | 309 | 412 |
| Total | 14,234 | 14,872 | 15,017 | 15,446 | 13,867 |
| Geographies - Revenue (YoY) | | | | | |
| North America | -8.2% | -4.3% | -15.5% | -22.3% | -17.3% |
| India | -9.4% | -5.5% | -9.3% | 72.9% | -3.5% |
| Europe | -19.5% | -16.0% | -39.1% | 742.4% | 20.6% |
| MEA | -39.6% | -37.0% | -39.5% | -30.4% | 92.9% |
| APAC | -9.4% | -5.5% | 152.6% | 149.2% | 131.5% |
| Latin America | 81.2% | 88.9% | 81.4% | 108.7% | 44.7% |
| Total | -9.4% | -5.5% | -9.3% | 4.3% | -2.6% |

Source: Company, JM Financial

Exhibit 6. Revenue by client cohort

| | 1Q25 | 2Q25 | 3Q25 | 4Q25 | 1Q26 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Top client cohorts - Share % | | | | | |
| Top 10 | 52% | 51% | 49% | 49% | 47% |
| Top 11-20 | 8% | 7% | 8% | 7% | 9% |
| Top 21-30 | 4% | 4% | 4% | 5% | 5% |
| Top 31-50 | 6% | 5% | 6% | 5% | 7% |
| Top 51-100 | 7% | 8% | 7% | 8% | 8% |
| Top 101-200 | 7% | 8% | 5% | 8% | 5% |
| Non-Top 200 | 16% | 17% | 21% | 18% | 19% |
| Top client cohorts - Revenue (INRmn) | | | | | |
| Top 10 | 7,259 | 7,336 | 7,358 | 7,260 | 6,518 |
| Top 11-20 | 996 | 1,198 | 1,051 | 1,390 | 1,248 |
| Top 21-30 | 569 | 599 | 751 | 772 | 693 |
| Top 31-50 | 712 | 898 | 751 | 1,081 | 971 |
| Top 51-100 | 1,139 | 1,048 | 1,201 | 1,236 | 1,109 |
| Top 101-200 | 1,139 | 749 | 1,201 | 772 | 693 |
| Non-Top 200 | 2,420 | 3,144 | 2,703 | 2,935 | 2,635 |
| Top client cohorts - Revenue (YoY) | | | | | |
| Top 10 | -1.7% | -0.9% | -5.4% | 4.3% | -10.2% |
| Top 11-20 | -9.4% | 8.7% | -9.3% | 34.1% | 25.3% |
| Top 21-30 | -27.5% | -23.9% | -9.3% | 4.3% | 21.8% |
| Top 31-50 | -24.5% | -4.9% | -24.4% | 21.7% | 36.4% |
| Top 51-100 | -19.5% | -26.0% | -19.4% | 19.2% | -2.6% |
| Top 101-200 | -9.4% | -32.1% | -9.3% | -34.8% | -39.1% |
| Non-Top 200 | -14.5% | 5.1% | -9.3% | -0.9% | 8.9% |

Source: Company, JM Financial

Decline in top-10 account was partially attributable to client specific delays in procurement due to tariff uncertainty. This is likely to normalise in Q2

Exhibit 7. Verticals share

| | 1HFY25 | 9MFY25 | FY25 | 1QFY26 |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|------|--------|
| Verticals | | | | |
| Technology | 32% | 31% | 28% | 22% |
| Financial services | 20% | 22% | 22% | 22% |
| Healthcare | 11% | 11% | 10% | 10% |
| Consumer and public services | 12% | 12% | 12% | 22% |
| Commercial and Industrial | 12% | 13% | 18% | 12% |
| Distribution and others | 12% | 11% | 10% | 12% |

Source: Company, JM Financial

Maintain BUY with a revised TP of 710

We have revised our USD revenue estimates by (0.8%)-1.0% over FY26-28E. Revenue estimates see little change as guidance remains intact. Our FY26E INR revenue is at the lower end of guidance and INR depreciation drives 0.6%-3% increases to our INR revenue estimates. Others/consulting estimates are raised 8.1%-40% on strong Q1 performance, while TPS (1.3%-1.4% over FY26-28E) and System integration (-1.3%-0.4% over FY26-28E) see limited changes. We have lowered our EBTIDA margin estimates by 16-28bps over FY26-28E driven by increase to our other expense estimates. These revisions result in PAT revision of (2.7%)-2.7% over FY26-28E. PAT for FY26E is lowered more than EBITDA due to increase in exceptional items estimates. We continue to value Black Box at 30x 12m fwd earnings. Maintain BUY with a revised TP of 710 (from 670 earlier).

Exhibit 8. What has changed

| | Old | | | New | | | Change | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| | FY26E | FY27E | FY28E | FY26E | FY27E | FY28E | FY26E | FY27E | FY28E |
| Exchange rate (INR/USD)* | 85.71 | 85.80 | 85.80 | 86.94 | 87.50 | 87.50 | 1.4% | 2.0% | 2.0% |
| Consolidated revenue (USD mn)* | 782 | 902 | 1,049 | 775 | 902 | 1,059 | -0.8% | 0.0% | 1.0% |
| Growth in USD revenues (YoY) | 10.9% | 15.4% | 16.3% | 9.9% | 16.4% | 17.4% | -92bp | 100bp | 108bp |
| Consolidated revenue (INR mn) | 67,017 | 77,399 | 90,030 | 67,415 | 78,957 | 92,692 | 0.6% | 2.0% | 3.0% |
| Growth in INR revenues (YoY) | 12.3% | 15.5% | 16.3% | 13.0% | 17.1% | 17.4% | 67bp | 163bp | 108bp |
| Gross profit (INRmn) | 20,105 | 23,220 | 27,009 | 20,424 | 23,687 | 27,808 | 1.6% | 2.0% | 3.0% |
| Gross profit margin -% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.3% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30bp | 0bp | 0bp |
| EBITDA INR mn | 6,084 | 7,359 | 9,061 | 6,009 | 7,371 | 9,067 | -1.2% | 0.2% | 0.1% |
| EBITDA margin | 9.1% | 9.5% | 10.1% | 8.9% | 9.3% | 9.8% | -16bp | -17bp | -28bp |
| EBIT (INR Mn) | 4,799 | 5,969 | 7,549 | 4,828 | 6,072 | 7,653 | 0.6% | 1.7% | 1.4% |
| EBIT margin | 7.2% | 7.7% | 8.4% | 7.2% | 7.7% | 8.3% | 0bp | -2bp | -13bp |
| PAT (INR mn) | 2,746 | 3,549 | 4,675 | 2,657 | 3,625 | 4,733 | -3.2% | 2.1% | 1.2% |
| Diluted EPS | 16.1 | 20.8 | 27.4 | 15.6 | 21.3 | 27.9 | -2.7% | 2.7% | 1.8% |

Note: USD/INR rate assumed based on averages. Source: JM Financial estimates

Exhibit 9. Black Box – PER 12M fwd



Source: Company, JM Financial

Financial Tables (Consolidated)

| Income Statement (INR mn) | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Y/E March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E | FY28E |
| Net Sales | 62,816 | 59,669 | 67,415 | 78,957 | 92,692 |
| Sales Growth | -0.1% | -5.0% | 13.0% | 17.1% | 17.4% |
| Other Operating Income | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Revenue | 62,816 | 59,669 | 67,415 | 78,957 | 92,692 |
| Cost of Goods Sold/Op. Exp | 17,993 | 18,391 | 46,991 | 55,270 | 64,884 |
| Personnel Cost | 25,007 | 22,792 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Expenses | 15,555 | 13,112 | 14,413 | 16,316 | 18,740 |
| EBITDA | 4,262 | 5,374 | 6,011 | 7,371 | 9,067 |
| EBITDA Margin | 6.8% | 9.0% | 8.9% | 9.3% | 9.8% |
| EBITDA Growth | 56.0% | 26.1% | 11.8% | 22.6% | 23.0% |
| Depn. & Amort. | 1,143 | 1,133 | 1,181 | 1,299 | 1,414 |
| EBIT | 3,119 | 4,242 | 4,830 | 6,072 | 7,653 |
| Other Income | 192 | 50 | 28 | 13 | 17 |
| Finance Cost | 1,413 | 1,447 | 1,777 | 2,056 | 2,289 |
| PBT before Excep. & Forex | 1,898 | 2,845 | 3,080 | 4,030 | 5,380 |
| Excep. & Forex Inc./Loss(-) | -334 | -726 | -313 | -1 | -1 |
| PBT | 1,564 | 2,119 | 2,768 | 4,029 | 5,379 |
| Taxes | 187 | 71 | 108 | 403 | 646 |
| Extraordinary Inc./Loss(-) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Assoc. Profit/Min. Int.(-) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Reported Net Profit | 1,377 | 2,048 | 2,659 | 3,625 | 4,733 |
| Adjusted Net Profit | 1,377 | 2,048 | 2,659 | 3,625 | 4,733 |
| Net Margin | 2.2% | 3.4% | 3.9% | 4.6% | 5.1% |
| Diluted Share Cap. (mn) | 168.3 | 169.1 | 169.9 | 169.9 | 169.9 |
| Diluted EPS (INR) | 8.2 | 12.1 | 15.6 | 21.3 | 27.9 |
| Diluted EPS Growth | 478.9% | 48.0% | 29.2% | 36.4% | 30.5% |
| Total Dividend + Tax | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dividend Per Share (INR) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

Source: Company, JM Financial

| Cash Flow Statement (INR mn) | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Y/E March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E | FY28E |
| Profit before Tax | 1,564 | 2,119 | 3,078 | 4,031 | 5,382 |
| Depn. & Amort. | 1,143 | 1,133 | 1,181 | 1,299 | 1,414 |
| Net Interest Exp. / Inc. (-) | 1,164 | 1,197 | 1,777 | 2,056 | 2,289 |
| Inc (-) / Dec in WCap. | -3,014 | -5,509 | -3,420 | -2,323 | -2,999 |
| Others | 201 | 209 | -339 | -15 | -18 |
| Taxes Paid | 235 | -24 | -108 | -403 | -646 |
| Operating Cash Flow | 1,295 | -876 | 2,169 | 4,645 | 5,422 |
| Capex | 47 | -411 | -600 | -700 | -800 |
| Free Cash Flow | 1,341 | -1,287 | 1,569 | 3,945 | 4,622 |
| Inc (-) / Dec in Investments | 14 | -55 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Others | -54 | 0 | 28 | 15 | 18 |
| Investing Cash Flow | 7 | -466 | -572 | -685 | -782 |
| Inc / Dec (-) in Capital | 3 | 1,346 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dividend + Tax thereon | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Inc / Dec (-) in Loans | 453 | 2,564 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Others | -2,006 | -1,988 | -1,777 | -2,056 | -2,289 |
| Financing Cash Flow | -1,550 | 1,922 | -1,777 | -2,056 | -2,289 |
| Inc / Dec (-) in Cash | -249 | 580 | -181 | 1,904 | 2,351 |
| Opening Cash Balance | 1,999 | 2,141 | 2,138 | 1,957 | 3,860 |
| Closing Cash Balance | 2,141 | 2,138 | 1,957 | 3,860 | 6,211 |

Source: Company, JM Financial

| Balance Sheet (INR mn) | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Y/E March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E | FY28E |
| Shareholders' Fund | 4,809 | 7,587 | 10,246 | 13,873 | 18,609 |
| Share Capital | 336 | 339 | 339 | 339 | 339 |
| Reserves & Surplus | 4,473 | 7,249 | 9,907 | 13,535 | 18,270 |
| Preference Share Capital | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Minority Interest | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Loans | 3,973 | 6,537 | 6,537 | 6,537 | 6,537 |
| Def. Tax Liab. / Assets (-) | -246 | -231 | -231 | -231 | -231 |
| Total - Equity & Liab. | 8,537 | 13,893 | 16,551 | 20,179 | 24,915 |
| Net Fixed Assets | 8,082 | 7,685 | 7,104 | 6,506 | 5,892 |
| Gross Fixed Assets | 7,895 | 8,339 | 8,939 | 9,639 | 10,439 |
| Intangible Assets | 3,341 | 3,354 | 3,354 | 3,354 | 3,354 |
| Less: Depn. & Amort. | 3,154 | 4,007 | 5,188 | 6,487 | 7,901 |
| Capital WIP | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Investments | 321 | 328 | 328 | 328 | 328 |
| Current Assets | 19,356 | 22,477 | 26,084 | 32,399 | 39,483 |
| Inventories | 2,464 | 2,097 | 2,401 | 2,812 | 3,301 |
| Sundry Debtors | 3,863 | 5,671 | 6,464 | 7,571 | 8,888 |
| Cash & Bank Balances | 2,141 | 2,138 | 1,957 | 3,860 | 6,211 |
| Loans & Advances | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Current Assets | 10,888 | 12,572 | 15,262 | 18,155 | 21,082 |
| Current Liab. & Prov. | 19,222 | 16,597 | 16,965 | 19,053 | 20,787 |
| Current Liabilities | 11,035 | 8,748 | 8,733 | 9,898 | 10,556 |
| Provisions & Others | 8,188 | 7,850 | 8,233 | 9,155 | 10,231 |
| Net Current Assets | 134 | 5,880 | 9,119 | 13,346 | 18,696 |
| Total - Assets | 8,537 | 13,893 | 16,552 | 20,179 | 24,915 |

Source: Company, JM Financial

| Dupont Analysis | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Y/E March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E | FY28E |
| Net Margin | 2.2% | 3.4% | 3.9% | 4.6% | 5.1% |
| Asset Turnover (x) | 5.5 | 4.0 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.6 |
| Leverage Factor (x) | 2.9 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 1.6 |
| RoE | 35.4% | 33.0% | 29.8% | 30.1% | 29.1% |

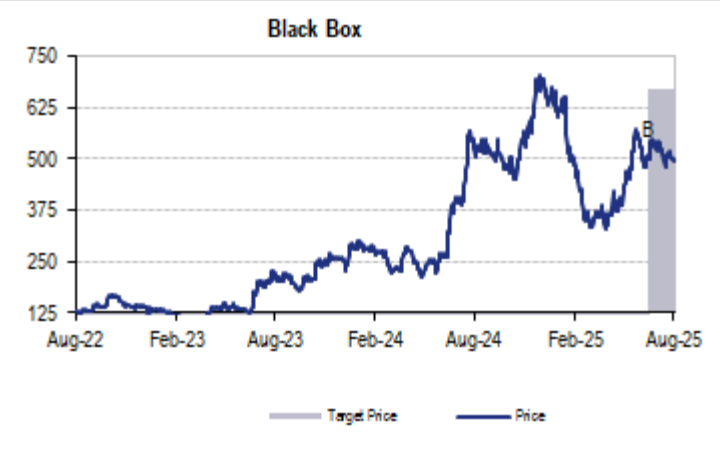
| Key Ratios | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Y/E March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E | FY28E |
| BV/Share (INR) | 28.6 | 44.9 | 60.3 | 81.7 | 109.5 |
| ROIC | 52.3% | 45.6% | 35.5% | 35.6% | 38.7% |
| ROE | 35.4% | 33.0% | 29.8% | 30.1% | 29.1% |
| Net Debt/Equity (x) | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| P/E (x) | 60.6 | 41.0 | 31.7 | 23.2 | 17.8 |
| P/B (x) | 17.4 | 11.1 | 8.2 | 6.1 | 4.5 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 20.1 | 16.4 | 14.7 | 11.7 | 9.3 |
| EV/Sales (x) | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 0.9 |
| Debtor days | 22 | 35 | 35 | 35 | 35 |
| Inventory days | 14 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| Creditor days | 45 | 37 | 33 | 34 | 32 |

Source: Company, JM Financial

History of Recommendation and Target Price

| Date | Recommendation | Target Price | % Chg. |
|-----------|----------------|--------------|--------|
| 27-Jun-25 | Buy | 670 | |

Recommendation History



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|-----------------------|---|
| Rating | Meaning |
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