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Margins maintained despite soft US

DRRD's 3Q Revenue and EBITDA were in line while PAT missed estimates on account of higher amortization. Overall it reported 16%/14%/1% YoY growth for Revenue/EBITDA/PAT during the quarter. Within segments, the US was subdued (flat YoY) due to lower gRevlimid sales and market share loss in recently launched products. India grew 14%, however adjusted for vaccine portfolio it grew 5%YoY. Overall topline growth was supported by superior performance in both Europe and EM. Adjusted for NRT, these segments grew at 22 & 12% YoY respectively. Despite lower gRevlimid sales, EBITDA margins remained healthy at 27.5% in 3Q. During the earnings call, the company re-iterated its confidence in overcoming the gRevlimid slump post FY26 led by Semaglutide opportunity in Canada & RoW as well as Abatacept from Jan'27. Margins are likely to be maintained at ~25% with flexibility on SG&A as well as R&D spend. We believe the street is under appreciating the near term Semaglutide opportunity in Canada as well as 18 other markets which are opening up from CY26. DRRD remains best placed among generic players to benefit from this. Overall the stock remains attractive, vs. large cap peers, trading at 25x/19x FY26/27 core EPS. Post 3Q, we maintain our estimates and BUY rating with a TP of INR 1,723.

- US delivers sedate performance: US business reported tepid sales of INR 33.8bn (6% miss) flat YoY. The sedate performance was due to lower gRevlimid sales and price erosion. During the quarter, the company launched 4 new products. The company received a CRL for its Iron Sucrose product; this is likely to delay the product's launch. As of Dec 31, 2024, 79 generic filings were approvals pending from the U.S. FDA.
- NRT integration a priority: This was the first quarter DRRD reported sales for Haleon's global Nicotine Replacement Therapy ('NRT') portfolio. The company reported sales of INR 6bn for the quarter. The management will prioritise on integrating the business, post which growth could accelerate. Key growth drivers remain 1. Focus on brand building 2. Increasing geographic reach and 3. Innovation on product development and lifecycle management. Recent initiatives like Nestle JV, biosimilars, innovation, licensing deals, etc. pinpoint towards DRRD's focus on growing its new businesses. With domestic growth catching up with market growth and Haleon brand acquisitions enhancing ex-Revlimid EPS, we believe there is an opportunity to unlock value here.
- Vaccine portfolio helps drive India growth: Domestic sales grew 14%YoY (2% miss) to INR 13.5bn. Growth was supported by the Sanofi vaccine portfolio, adjusted for the acquisition; it grew in ~5%. Organic growth was dragged by low volume pick-up in certain brands in Cardiac and GI. The management believe GI should bounce back soon, while Cardiac may need an additional quarter to recover. We believe India business will continue to deliver IPM-beating growth over the next few years (~12% CAGR). The company launched 6 new during the quarter (22 launches YTD)
- Europe stellar, EMs strong: EM grew of 12% YoY to INR 14.4bn with Russia growing 19% YoY driven by higher volumes, price increase and new product launches, partially offset by adverse forex movement. Revenue from RoW territories grew 7% YoY to INR

Financial Summary					(INR mn)
Y/E March	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Net Sales	2,45,879	2,79,164	3,23,926	3,73,110	3,65,399
Sales Growth (%)	14.7	13.5	16.0	15.2	-2.1
EBITDA	70,479	82,587	87,784	1,06,709	88,427
EBITDA Margin (%)	28.7	29.6	27.1	28.6	24.2
Adjusted Net Profit	35,348	33,371	25,312	42,987	57,241
Diluted EPS (INR)	42.4	40.0	30.3	51.5	68.6
Diluted EPS Growth (%)	18.7	-5.6	-24.1	69.8	33.2
ROIC (%)	20.0	23.6	22.4	27.9	21.5
ROE (%)	17.6	14.7	9.8	14.6	17.2
P/E (x)	30.4	32.2	42.5	25.0	18.8
P/B (x)	5.1	4.4	3.9	3.4	3.1
EV/EBITDA (x)	15.4	12.8	11.8	9.4	11.0
Dividend Yield (%)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Source: Company data, JM Financial. Note: Valuations as of 23/Jan/2025



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Recommendation and Price Target	
Current Reco.	BUY
Previous Reco.	BUY
Current Price Target (12M)	1,723
Upside/(Downside)	33.6%
Previous Price Target	1,737
Change	-0.8%

Key Data – DRRD IN	
Current Market Price	INR1,289
Market cap (bn)	INR1,075.9/US\$12.4
Free Float	62%
Shares in issue (mn)	834.4
Diluted share (mn)	834.4
3-mon avg daily val (mn)	INR2,698.5/US\$31.2
52-week range	1,421/1,120
Sensex/Nifty	76,520/23,205
INR/US\$	86.5

Price Performar	nce		
%	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	-3.9	-6.1	13.6
Relative*	-1.3	-1.3	4.5

* To the BSE Sensex

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4.9bn driven new product launches and partially offset by adverse forex movement. Europe grew ~22% ex-NRT portfolio driven by new product launches and momentum in the base business, partly offset by price erosion. The management believe this run-rate is sustainable going ahead. PSAI grew 5%YoY to INR 8.2bn with driven by increase in volumes, new launches and favourable forex, partially offset by adverse price variance.

- **Biosimilars:** The biosimilars opportunity is going to be meaningful from 2027, with the launch of Abatacept (early CY27 opportunity) which is currently undergoing Phase 3 trials. This represents a significant growth opportunity for the company, with potential revenue of ~USD 100mn by FY28 and a further scale up in years after that. The company received marketing authorisation for Rituximab in UK, additionally the Denosumab has been filed in USA and Europe. The company will likely see Rituximab and Denosumab USA launch in FY26.
- Nestle JV: The management re-iterated that the deal (JV with Nestle) is one for the long-term and will see meaningful topline realisation only after a few years. This is primarily due to the time needed for the company to build scale and brand recognition for the new brands to be introduced through the JV but they believe the stickiness of this business is a key strength of the segment. The company aim to scale this business and aim to become one of the largest Nutraceutical players.
- GLP-1 opportunity: The management is confident; they can leverage the company's superior R&D and manufacturing ability to seize the GLP-1 opportunity. They plan on being a Day-1 launch across most markets in Semaglutide. The key markets in 2026 are Canada, Brazil and India. Among these markets, Canada presents the greatest opportunity, with limited competition and a substantial TAM of around USD 2bn. We anticipate that DRRD could generate up to USD 200mn in revenue in FY27. Additionally, DRRD's backward integration, established API facilities, and formulation production capabilities will further strengthen its position as a reliable and cost-effective supplier of semaglutide.

Key financials:

- Revenue/Adj. EBITDA/APAT of INR 83.6bn/22.9bn/14bn grew +16%/+8%/-6% YoY respectively and were +7%/+6/in line vs. our expectations and +2%/-5%/-13% vs. Street expectations.
- Gross margin was 59% (vs. 58% YoY; vs. 60% QoQ);
- Adj. EBITDA margin declined to 27.5% vs. 28% YoY/27.5% QoQ (JMFe: 27.9%).
- During the quarter there was a milestone income of INR 1.3bn for USFDA approval of DFD 29. The management indicated that the company will receive royalty payments going ahead.
- Capex for the quarter was INR 7.1bn while Cash flow was INR -2bn.
- The R&D expenses were at 8% of sales
- Net cash surplus as of 30th Sep'24 was INR 16bn.
- ETR guidance for FY25 remains ~25%

Exhibit 1	. Recent initiatives				
Date	Notable events in Specialty/Specialty generics				
Jan-24	Launched in-house PRIMCYV (Breast Cancer Drug taken from Pfizer) in India				
Feb-24	Acquired Mayne Pharma US generic portfolio				
Jun-24	Completed Phase 1 studies of Toclizumab Biosimilar				
Jul-24	Submitted Trastuzumab dossier in US, UK and Europe				
Nov-24	Launched Nerivio (US FDA approved Path breaking Migraine treatment) in India				
Dec-24	Enters into exclusive agreement for Coya 302 (ALS product)				
Jan-24	Announces the acquisition of MenoLabs in US (women healthcare & Nutra)				
Jan-24	Forayed into the consumer health market of UK with the launch of allergy medication, Histallay				
Mar-24	Launches Versavo (Bevacizumab biosimilar) in UK				
Mar-24	In licensed first in class Cethaquine for Hypovolemic shock in India				
Mar-24	Exclusive distribution partnership for Sanofi's Vaccines brands in India				
Apr-24	Partnered with Bayer to distribute Vericiguat, a heart failure management drug, in India				
Apr-24	Launched migraine management wearable device, Nerivio®, in Germany and South Africa				
Apr-24	Launched 'DailyBloom IBS' digital integrated care plan to manage Irritable Bowel Syndrome				
Apr-24	Announced JV with Nestle for health science nutraceutical portfolio				
May-24	Acquired Haleon's global consumer OTC brands for NRT				
Jun-24	Licensingin agreement with Zydus for co-marketing of Pertuzumab biosimilar				
Jul-24	Non-exclusive patent licensing agreement with Takeda to commercialise Vonoprazan, a novel gastrointestinal drug in India				
Oct-24	Voluntary licensing agreement with Gilead Sciences to manufacture and commercialise Lenacapavir in India and other countries				
Oct-24	Launches Elobixibat (BixiBat®) a first-in-class drug to treat chronic constipation in India				

Source: Company



Source: Bloomberg, JM Financial

Exhibit 3. 30	QFY25 review									
Dr. (INR mn)	Reddy's	P&L Q3 FY24	Q3 FY25E	% YoY	Q3 FY25E	% Delta vs JMFe	Q3FY25E (cons.)	% Delta vs cons	Q2 FY25	% QoQ
Net Sales		72,148	83,586	16%	78,117	7%	81,864	2%	80,162	4%
Cost of goods	sold	29,945	34,534	15%	30,500	13%			32,393	7%
Gross Profit		42,203	49,052	16%	47,617				47,769	
% Margin		58%	59%	19 bps	61%				60%	
SG&A (excl. am	nort)	16,458	19,398	18%	18,050	7%			19,032	2%
R&D		5,565	6,658	20%	7,800	-15%			7,271	-8%
Impairment cha	arges	-110	4		-8				-924	
EBITDA		20180	22996	14%	21767	6%	22,800	1%	21466	
% Margin		28.0%	27.5%		27.9%		28%	-34 bps	26.8%	
Adjusted EBITD	A**	20180	22996	14%	21767	6%	22,800	1%	22066	4%
% Margin		28.0%	27.5%	-46 bps	27.9%	-35 bps	27.9%	-34 bps	27.5%	-1 bps
D&A		3,770	4,719	25%	3,950	19%			3,975	19%
Equity in affilia	tes	27	42	56%	60				61	-31%
Other Income/(-967	-439	-55%	-900				-984	-55%
Net Finance Exp		(963)	20		(100)				(1555)	
Profit Before Ta	ях	18257	18742	3%	18869				19167	-2%
Tax		4468	4704		5000				5752	
Extraordinary (i	ncome)/ expense	83	(953)		6				693	
Adj. Net Profit		13872	14,036	1%	13875	1%	15,073	-7%	13666	3%
% Net Profit M	argin	19.2%	16.8%		17.8%				17.0%	
Adj. EPS		16.6	16.8		16.6				15.9	
% Cost Ratios		Q3 FY24	Q3 FY25E	% YoY	Q3 FY25E	% Delta vs JMFe	Q3FY25E (cons.)	% Delta vs cons	Q2 FY25	% QoQ
COGS		41.5	41.3	-19 bps	39.0	227 bps			40.4	91 bps
SG&A		22.8	23.2	40 bps	23.1	10 bps			23.7	-53 bps
R&D		7.7	8.0	25 bps	10.0	-202 bps			9.1	-110 bps
Sales Break-up		Q3 FY24	Q3 FY25E	% YoY	Q3 FY25E	% Delta vs JMFe	Q3FY25E (cons.)	% Delta vs cons	Q2 FY25	% QoQ
Global Generic	s	63,095	73,752	17%	68,517	8%	(71,576	3%
North America		33,492	33,834	1%	36,017	-6%			37,281	-9%
Europe		4,970	12,096	143%	5,700	112%			5,770	110%
India		11,800	13,464	14%	13,700	-2%			13,971	-4%
EM		12,833	14,358		12,500				14,554	
PSAI		7,839	8,219	5%	8,000	3%			8,407	-2%
Prop products	and Others	1,214	1,614	33%	700	131%			179	802%

Source: Company, Bloomberg, JM Financial

Financial Tables (Consolidated)

Income Statement					(INR mn)
Y/E March	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Net Sales	2,45,879	2,79,164	3,23,926	3,73,110	3,65,399
Sales Growth	14.7%	13.5%	16.0%	15.2%	-2.1%
Other Operating Income	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue	2,45,879	2,79,164	3,23,926	3,73,110	3,65,399
Cost of Goods Sold/Op. Exp	1,06,536	1,15,557	1,31,514	1,49,244	1,57,122
Personnel Cost	0	0	0	0	0
Other Expenses	68,864	81,020	1,04,628	1,17,157	1,19,851
EBITDA	70,479	82,587	87,784	1,06,709	88,427
EBITDA Margin	28.7%	29.6%	27.1%	28.6%	24.2%
EBITDA Growth	44.2%	17.2%	6.3%	21.6%	-17.1%
Depn. & Amort.	13,335	14,858	18,262	18,842	19,001
EBIT	57,144	67,729	69,521	87,867	69,426
Other Income	2,853	3,994	2,500	5,500	7,000
Finance Cost	0	0	-2,225	373	301
PBT before Excep. & Forex	59,997	71,723	74,246	92,995	76,125
Excep. & Forex Inc./Loss(-)	0	0	0	0	0
PBT	59,997	71,723	74,246	92,995	76,125
Taxes	15,300	16,186	20,090	23,293	19,080
Extraordinary Inc./Loss(-)	0	0	0	0	0
Assoc. Profit/Min. Int.(-)	370	147	162	178	196
Reported Net Profit	45,067	55,684	54,318	69,879	57,241
Adjusted Net Profit	35,348	33,371	25,312	42,987	57,241
Net Margin	14.4%	12.0%	7.8%	11.5%	15.7%
Diluted Share Cap. (mn)	834.4	834.4	834.4	834.4	834.4
Diluted EPS (INR)	42.4	40.0	30.3	51.5	68.6
Diluted EPS Growth	18.7%	-5.6%	-24.1%	69.8%	33.2%
Total Dividend + Tax	0	0	0	0	0
Dividend Per Share (INR)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Balance Sheet					(INR mn)
Y/E March	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Shareholders' Fund	2,11,188	2,42,466	2,72,378	3,16,876	3,48,734
Share Capital	832	832	832	832	832
Reserves & Surplus	2,10,356	2,41,634	2,71,546	3,16,044	3,47,902
Preference Share Capital	0	0	0	0	0
Minority Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Total Loans	14,845	13,041	11,237	9,433	7,629
Def. Tax Liab. / Assets (-)	-8,144	-8,144	-8,144	-8,144	-8,144
Total - Equity & Liab.	2,17,889	2,47,363	2,75,471	3,18,165	3,48,219
Net Fixed Assets	96,392	90,537	84,175	76,334	68,334
Gross Fixed Assets	1,49,593	1,57,593	1,67,593	1,77,593	1,87,593
Intangible Assets	34,664	35,664	36,664	37,664	38,664
Less: Depn. & Amort.	92,365	1,07,220	1,24,582	1,43,424	1,62,425
Capital WIP	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,501	4,502
Investments	4,318	4,318	4,318	4,318	4,318
Current Assets	1,76,216	2,16,509	2,59,527	3,22,538	3,62,923
Inventories	49,539	53,734	61,154	70,145	73,847
Sundry Debtors	80,225	85,502	92,733	1,06,813	1,04,606
Cash & Bank Balances	1,733	27,550	49,802	79,287	1,11,839
Loans & Advances	0	0	0	0	0
Other Current Assets	44,719	49,723	55,839	66,294	72,631
Current Liab. & Prov.	59,037	63,998	72,548	85,025	87,355
Current Liabilities	25,906	27,900	31,427	35,345	37,086
Provisions & Others	33,130	36,098	41,122	49,680	50,270
Net Current Assets	1,17,180	1,52,511	1,86,979	2,37,513	2,75,568
Total – Assets	2,17,890	2,47,366	2,75,472	3,18,165	3,48,220

Source: Company, JM Financial

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Cash Flow Statement					(INR mn)
Y/E March	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Profit before Tax	60,367	71,870	74,408	93,173	76,321
Depn. & Amort.	12,636	14,855	17,362	18,842	19,001
Net Interest Exp. / Inc. (-)	3,846	0	-2,225	373	301
Inc (-) / Dec in WCap.	-28,742	-7,416	-9,908	-18,511	-2,709
Others	0	3	900	0	0
Taxes Paid	-15,619	-16,545	-20,493	-23,745	-19,586
Operating Cash Flow	32,489	62,767	60,044	70,131	73,327
Capex	-7,204	-9,000	-11,000	-11,001	-11,001
Free Cash Flow	25,285	53,767	49,044	59,130	62,326
Inc (-) / Dec in Investments	8,529	-2,098	-2,308	-2,539	-2,793
Others	0	0	0	0	0
Investing Cash Flow	1,325	-11,098	-13,308	-13,540	-13,794
Inc / Dec (-) in Capital	0	0	0	0	0
Dividend + Tax thereon	-24,406	-24,406	-24,406	-25,382	-25,382
Inc / Dec (-) in Loans	-19,000	-1,804	-1,804	-1,804	-1,804
Others	-3,527	358	1,726	79	205
Financing Cash Flow	-46,933	-25,852	-24,484	-27,107	-26,981
Inc / Dec (-) in Cash	-13,119	25,817	22,252	29,484	32,553
Opening Cash Balance	14,852	1,733	27,550	49,802	79,287
Closing Cash Balance	1,733	27,550	49,802	79,287	1,11,839

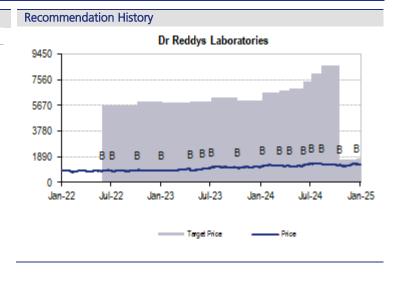
Dupont Analysis	Analysis				
Y/E March	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Net Margin	14.4%	12.0%	7.8%	11.5%	15.7%
Asset Turnover (x)	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.1
Leverage Factor (x)	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0
RoE	17.6%	14.7%	9.8%	14.6%	17.2%

Key Ratios					
Y/E March	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
BV/Share (INR)	253.1	290.6	326.4	379.8	418.0
ROIC	20.0%	23.6%	22.4%	27.9%	21.5%
ROE	17.6%	14.7%	9.8%	14.6%	17.2%
Net Debt/Equity (x)	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3
P/E (x)	30.4	32.2	42.5	25.0	18.8
P/B (x)	5.1	4.4	3.9	3.4	3.1
EV/EBITDA (x)	15.4	12.8	11.8	9.4	11.0
EV/Sales (x)	4.4	3.8	3.2	2.7	2.7
Debtor days	119	112	104	104	104
Inventory days	74	70	69	69	74
Creditor days	49	47	45	45	46

Source: Company, JM Financial

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Date	Recommendation	Target Price	% Chg.
22-Jun-22	Buy	5,685	
28-Jul-22	Buy	5,685	0.0
29-Oct-22	Buy	5,960	4.8
26-Jan-23	Buy	5,890	-1.2
11-May-23	Buy	5,980	1.5
25-Jun-23	Buy	5,980	0.0
26-Jul-23	Buy	6,260	4.7
29-Oct-23	Buy	6,055	-3.3
31-Jan-24	Buy	6,585	8.8
31-Mar-24	Buy	6,780	3.0
7-May-24	Buy	6,935	2.3
27-Jun-24	Buy	7,390	6.6
28-Jul-24	Buy	8,010	8.4
4-Sep-24	Buy	8,565	6.9
6-Nov-24	Buy	1,655	-80.7
10-Jan-25	Buy	1,737	5.0



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