### Lumax Auto Tech: Robust Order Book Fuels Growth

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BUY

Sector View: Neutral

August 11, 2025 CMP: INR 1,045 | Target Price: INR 1,300

Expected Share Price Return: 24.4% I Dividend Yield: 0.5% I Potential Upside: 24.9%

| Change in CIE Estimates  |                 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 3M Avg. Daily Volume     | 3,46,392        |
| Shares o/s (Mn)          | 68.2            |
| Mkt Cap (Bn)             | INR 71.2/ \$0.8 |
| 52 W High/Low (INR)      | 1,232/453       |
| Face Value (INR)         | 2.0             |
| BB Code                  | LMAX IN EQUITY  |
| Company Info             |                 |
| Change in Recommendation | X               |
| Change in Target Price   | <b>✓</b>        |
| Change in Estimates      | ~               |

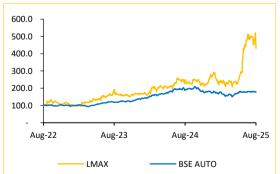
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|-------------------------|-------|------|----------|------|-------|----------|--|
|                         | FY26E |      |          |      | FY27E |          |  |
| INR Bn                  | New   | Old  | Dev. (%) | New  | Old   | Dev. (%) |  |
| Revenue                 | 44.1  | 45.0 | (2.1)    | 51.0 | 54.0  | (5.4)    |  |
| EBITDA                  | 5.7   | 6.0  | (3.6)    | 7.1  | 7.4   | (3.5)    |  |
| EBITDAM%                | 13.0  | 13.2 | (21)bps  | 13.9 | 13.6  | 28bps    |  |
| PAT                     | 2.2   | 2.8  | (21.8)   | 3.1  | 3.7   | (16.7)   |  |
| EPS                     | 32.1  | 41.1 | (21.9)   | 45.8 | 55.0  | (16.7)   |  |

| Actual vs CIE Estimates |          |          |        |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| INR Mn                  | Q1FY26A  | CIE est. | Dev.%  |  |  |  |  |
| Revenue                 | 10,263.7 | 8,920.0  | 15.1   |  |  |  |  |
| EBITDA                  | 1,248.8  | 1,159.6  | 7.7    |  |  |  |  |
| EBITDAM %               | 12.2     | 13.0     | (83)   |  |  |  |  |
| PAT                     | 414.3    | 514.5    | (19.5) |  |  |  |  |

| Key Financials |      |      |       |       |       |
|----------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| INR Bn         | FY24 | FY25 | FY26E | FY27E | FY28E |
| Revenue        | 28.2 | 36.4 | 44.1  | 51.0  | 58.1  |
| YoY (%)        | 52.7 | 28.9 | 21.3  | 15.7  | 13.9  |
| EBITDA         | 3.7  | 4.6  | 5.7   | 7.1   | 8.5   |
| EBITDAM %      | 13.0 | 12.8 | 13.0  | 13.9  | 14.6  |
| Adj PAT        | 1.3  | 1.8  | 2.2   | 3.1   | 4.0   |
| EPS            | 19.1 | 26.1 | 32.1  | 45.8  | 58.0  |
| ROE %          | 21.1 | 24.5 | 24.5  | 26.9  | 27.3  |
| ROCE %         | 15.2 | 17.8 | 18.7  | 22.5  | 24.7  |
| PE(x)          | 54.7 | 40.1 | 32.5  | 22.8  | 18.0  |
| EV/EBITDA      | 21.0 | 16.9 | 13.8  | 11.0  | 8.9   |
|                |      |      |       |       |       |

| Shareholding Pattern (%) |        |        |        |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|--|--|
|                          | Jun-25 | Mar-25 | Dec-24 |  |  |  |  |
| Promoters                | 55.98  | 55.98  | 55.98  |  |  |  |  |
| FIIs                     | 7.04   | 5.31   | 5.91   |  |  |  |  |
| DIIs                     | 16.31  | 16.09  | 16.09  |  |  |  |  |
| Public                   | 20.67  | 22.62  | 22.02  |  |  |  |  |

| Relative Performanc | e (%) |       |       |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| YTD                 | 3Y    | 2Y    | 1Y    |
| BSE Auto            | 76.8  | 48.4  | (6.9) |
| LMAX                | 330.9 | 125.3 | 76.5  |



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Strong Order Book and Product Expansion to Drive Growth: LMAX boasts a robust order book of INR 1,500 crores, providing strong visibility over the next few years. Approximately 10% of this order book is projected to materialize in FY26, 40% in FY27, 40% in FY28, and the remaining 10-12% in FY29. New order wins include cockpits for Mahindra's Thar Roxx, BE6, and XEV9e, and gear shifters/antennas for Honda's Amaze. 40% of the order book rests within Future & Clean Mobility solutions, aligning with the company's midterm plan to accelerate presence in EVs and greener fuel technologies. We believe LMAX's focus on high-growth, technology-driven segments, positions LMAX for sustainable growth in the evolving mobility landscape.

**View and Valuation:** We revise our FY26/27 EPS estimates downwards by 21.9%/16.7%, accounting for higher interest, depreciation and taxes. We arrive at a revised target price of **INR 1,300**; valuing the company at 25x (maintained) on the average FY27/28E EPS, while introducing FY28E estimates, maintaining our 'BUY' rating.

#### LMAX reported a mixed performance compared to the estimates

- Revenue was up 35.8% YoY and down 9.4% QoQ to INR 10,264Mn (vs CIE est. at INR 8,920Mn).
- EBITDA was up 41.9% YoY and down 20.3% QoQ to INR 1,249Mn (vs CIE est. at INR 1,160Mn). EBITDA margin was up 52bps YoY and was down 166bps QoQ to 12.2% (vs CIE est. at 13.0%).
- APAT was up 30.7% YoY and down 29.0% QoQ to INR 414Mn (vs CIE est. at INR 515Mn).

Full Control of IAC India to Drive Earnings & Strengthen Operations: The acquisition of the remaining 25% stake in IAC India was completed in May, making it a 100% subsidiary of LMAX. In Q1 FY26, IAC India contributed INR 3,700 Mn in revenue, reflecting a 45-50% year-on-year growth, largely due to its dominant position and premiumisation content within Mahindra & Mahindra's PV segment. IAC's newly inaugurated Chakan manufacturing facility is fully operational and gaining strong traction with key OEM customers. We believe this acquisition enhances LMAX's capability to meet rising demand, supported by seven new Mahindra models anticipated over the years and efforts to gain traction with other OEMs like Maruti Suzuki and Tata Motors.

| LMAX (INR Mn)       | Q1FY26   | Q1FY25  | YoY (%) | Q4FY25   | QoQ (%) |
|---------------------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|
| Net Sales           | 10,263.7 | 7,559.3 | 35.8    | 11,328.8 | (9.4)   |
| Material Expenses   | 6,634.8  | 4,805.4 | 38.1    | 7,355.5  | (9.8)   |
| Employee Expenses   | 1,390.9  | 1,078.2 | 29.0    | 1,345.4  | 3.4     |
| Other Opex Expenses | 989.2    | 795.5   | 24.4    | 1,061.5  | (6.8)   |
| EBITDA              | 1,248.8  | 880.2   | 41.9    | 1,566.4  | (20.3)  |
| Depreciation        | 384.5    | 295.2   | 30.3    | 371.3    | 3.6     |
| EBIT                | 864.3    | 585.1   | 47.7    | 1,195.1  | (27.7)  |
| Other Income        | 108.9    | 174.3   | (37.6)  | 93.0     | 17.0    |
| Interest Cost       | 230.8    | 194.4   | 18.7    | 212.0    | 8.9     |
| PBT                 | 742.4    | 565.0   | 31.4    | 1,076.1  | (31.0)  |
| RPAT                | 540.0    | 416.5   | 29.6    | 796.7    | (32.2)  |
| Minority Interest   | 125.7    | 99.5    | 26.2    | 212.9    | (41.0)  |
| APAT                | 414.3    | 317.0   | 30.7    | 583.8    | (29.0)  |
| Adj EPS (INR)       | 6.1      | 4.7     | 30.7    | 8.6      | (29.0)  |

| LMAX                     | Q1FY26 | Q1FY25 | YoY (Bps) | Q4FY25 | QoQ (Bps) |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| Gross margin (%)         | 35.4   | 36.4   | (107)     | 35.1   | 28        |
| Employee Exp. % of Sales | 13.6   | 14.3   | (71)      | 11.9   | 168       |
| EBITDA margin (%)        | 12.2   | 11.6   | 52        | 13.8   | (166)     |
| Tax Rate (%)             | 27.3   | 26.3   | 98        | 26.0   | 130       |
| PAT margin (%)           | 5.3    | 5.5    | (25)      | 7.0    | (177)     |

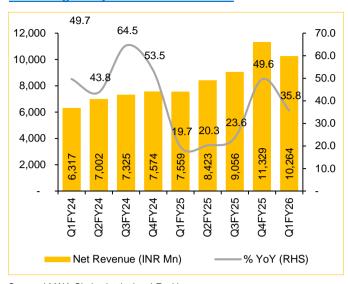
Source: LMAX, Choice Institutional Equities

#### **Management Call - Highlights**

- The automotive industry in Q1FY26 saw a mixed performance with flat demand across most segments.
- Premiumization across product categories improved the revenue mix for OEMs and suppliers.
- Diversification across passenger vehicles, two-wheelers, threewheelers, and commercial vehicle segments helped cushion the impact of a muted domestic environment.
- The decline in margins compared to Q1FY25 and Q4FY25 was due to the profitability impact of tooling revenue and the deferment of customer price corrections.
- Greenfuel expected to be accretive to the Group average over the medium term, operating at around 18% EBITDA.
- Greenfuel positioned to grow in alignment with the national shift towards alternate fuel platforms and rising OEM adoption.
- Secured a confirmed order for tubes and fittings product, localizing this for the first time in India, aiming for significant market share.
- Incorporated two new wholly-owned subsidiaries, Lumax Autocomp Private Limited and Lumax Auto Solutions Private Limited in July, aligned with the vision to capture emerging growth opportunities.
- IAC India Acquisition: Completed the acquisition of the remaining 25% stake in May, making it a 100% subsidiary.
- IAC India Revenue (Q1 FY26): INR370 crores, up almost 45-50% from Q1 FY25, primarily due to strong growth in Mahindra & Mahindra PV segment.
- Robust order book of INR 15,000 Mn with strong visibility across the next three fiscal years.
- Capex guidance for FY26 remains at INR 1,800-2,000 Mn.

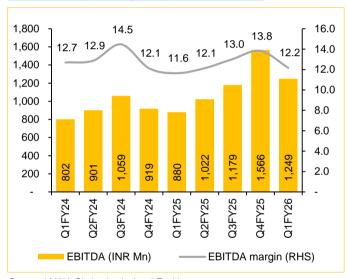
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#### Revenue grew by 35.8% on a YoY basis



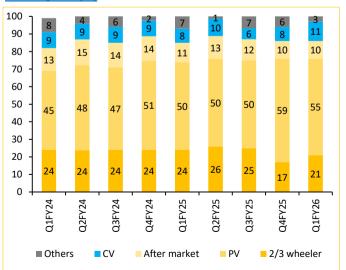
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#### **EBITDAM** improved by 52bps on a YoY basis



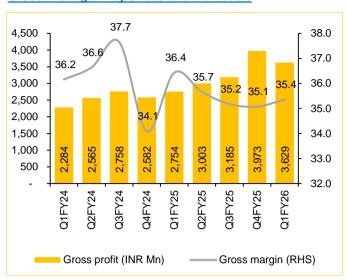
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#### **Industry Mix (%)**



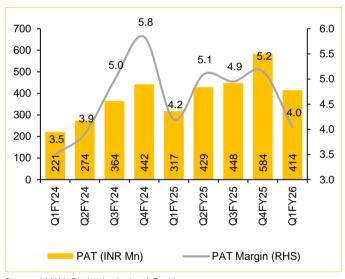
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#### Gross Profit grew by 31.8% on a YoY basis



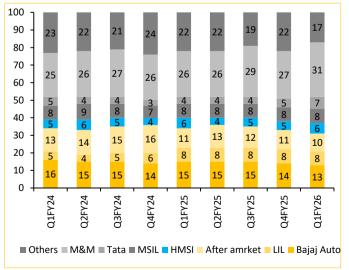
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#### PAT grew by 30.7% on YoY basis



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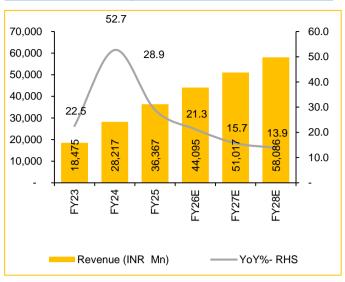
#### Client Mix (%)



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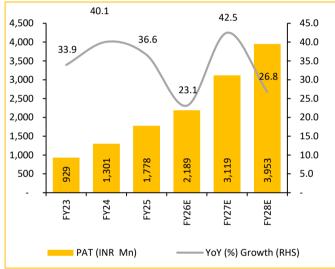
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#### Revenue expected to grow at 18.4% CAGR over FY25-28E



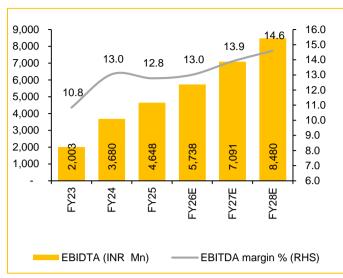
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#### PAT expected to grow at 32.4% CAGR over FY25-27E



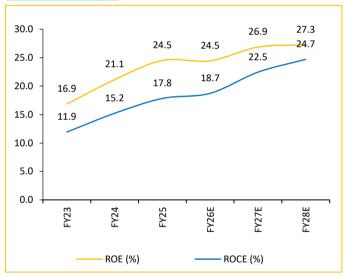
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#### EBITDA expected to grow at 23.5% CAGR over FY25-28E



Source: LMAX, Choice Institutional Equities

#### ROE & ROCE in (%)



Source: LMAX, Choice Institutional Equities

#### 1 Year Forward PE Band



Source: LMAX, Choice Institutional Equities

# Choice Institutional Equities

#### Income Statement (INR Mn)

| Income Statement (INR Mn) |        |        |        |        |          |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| Particular                | FY24   | FY25   | FY26E  | FY27E  | FY28E    |  |  |  |  |
| Revenue                   | 28,217 | 36,367 | 44,095 | 51,017 | 58,086   |  |  |  |  |
| Gross profit              | 10,190 | 12,916 | 15,730 | 18,366 | 21,027   |  |  |  |  |
| EBITDA                    | 3,680  | 4,648  | 5,738  | 7,091  | 8,480    |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation              | 1,180  | 1,286  | 1,636  | 1,781  | 1,905    |  |  |  |  |
| EBIT                      | 2,500  | 3,361  | 4,102  | 5,310  | 6,575    |  |  |  |  |
| Other Income              | 450    | 510    | 529    | 640    | 720      |  |  |  |  |
| Interest Expense          | 684    | 790    | 925    | 925    | 925      |  |  |  |  |
| Extraordinary Item        | -      | -      | -      | -      | <u>-</u> |  |  |  |  |
| Reported PAT              | 1,669  | 2,292  | 2,704  | 3,669  | 4,651    |  |  |  |  |
| Adjusted PAT after MI     | 1,301  | 1,778  | 2,189  | 3,119  | 3,953    |  |  |  |  |
| EPS                       | 19.1   | 26.1   | 32.1   | 45.8   | 58.0     |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio Analysis            | FY24   | FY25   | FY26E  | FY27E  | FY28E    |  |  |  |  |
| Growth Ratios (%)         |        |        |        |        |          |  |  |  |  |
| Revenue                   | 52.7   | 28.9   | 21.3   | 15.7   | 13.9     |  |  |  |  |
| EBITDA                    | 83.7   | 26.3   | 3 23.5 | 23.6   | 19.6     |  |  |  |  |
| PAT                       | 49.7   | 37.3   | 18.0   | 35.7   | 26.8     |  |  |  |  |
| Margins (%)               |        |        |        |        |          |  |  |  |  |
| EBITDA                    | 13.0   | 12.8   | 13.0   | 13.9   | 14.6     |  |  |  |  |
| PAT                       | 5.9    | 6.3    | 6.1    | 7.2    | 8.0      |  |  |  |  |
| Profitability (%)         |        |        |        |        |          |  |  |  |  |
| ROE                       | 21.1   | 24.5   | 24.5   | 26.9   | 27.3     |  |  |  |  |
| ROCE                      | 15.2   | 17.8   | 18.7   | 22.5   | 24.7     |  |  |  |  |
| ROIC                      | 12.1   | 14.5   | 14.4   | 18.4   | 22.4     |  |  |  |  |
| Working Capital           |        |        |        |        |          |  |  |  |  |
| Inventory Days            | 50     | 57     | 57     | 57     | 57       |  |  |  |  |
| Debtor Days               | 75     | 80     | 78     | 78     | 78       |  |  |  |  |
| Payable Days              | 98     | 106    | 100    | 98     | 98       |  |  |  |  |
| Cash Conversion Cycle     | e 27   | 31     | 35     | 37     | 37       |  |  |  |  |
| Valuation metrics         |        |        |        |        |          |  |  |  |  |
| PE(x)                     | 54.7   | 40.1   | 32.5   | 22.8   | 18.0     |  |  |  |  |
| EV/EBITDA (x)             | 21.0   | 16.9   | 13.8   | 11.0   | 8.9      |  |  |  |  |
| Price to BV (x)           | 9.0    | 7.6    | 6.4    | 5.2    | 4.2      |  |  |  |  |
| EV/OCF (x)                | 29.2   |        |        |        |          |  |  |  |  |
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Source: LMAX, Choice Institutional Equities

#### **Balance Sheet (INR Mn)**

| Particular                         | FY24   | FY25   | FY26E  | FY27E  | FY28E  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|--|
| Net worth                          | 7,896  | 9,347  | 11,057 | 13,657 | 17,052 |  |  |  |
| Minority Interest                  | 2,237  | 3,585  | 4,100  | 4,651  | 5,348  |  |  |  |
| Deferred Tax                       | 278    | 635    | 441    | 510    | 581    |  |  |  |
| Total Debt                         | 6,990  | 7,927  | 8,727  | 8,727  | 8,727  |  |  |  |
| Other Liabilities &<br>Provisions  | 1,185  | 1,206  | 1,764  | 1,939  | 2,207  |  |  |  |
| Total Net Worth &<br>Liabilities   | 18,586 | 22,701 | 26,090 | 29,484 | 33,916 |  |  |  |
| Net Fixed Assets                   | 9,909  | 12,933 | 13,297 | 13,016 | 12,611 |  |  |  |
| Capital Work in<br>Progress        | 358    | 692    | 393    | 481    | 522    |  |  |  |
| Investments                        | 4,287  | 4,119  | 5,259  | 6,307  | 7,514  |  |  |  |
| Cash & Bank Balance                | 751    | 796    | 596    | 2,012  | 4,525  |  |  |  |
| Loans & Advances &<br>Other Assets | 755    | 604    | 1,102  | 1,224  | 1,394  |  |  |  |
| Net Current Assets                 | 2,524  | 3,555  | 5,442  | 6,444  | 7,350  |  |  |  |
| Total Assets                       | 18,586 | 22,701 | 26,090 | 29,484 | 33,916 |  |  |  |
|                                    |        |        |        |        |        |  |  |  |

| Cash Flows (INR Mn)        | FY24    | FY25    | FY26E   | FY27E   | FY28E   |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Cash Flows From Operations | 2,654   | 2,905   | 3,374   | 5,369   | 6,570   |
| Cash Flows From Investing  | (2,492) | (2,161) | (3,338) | (2,758) | (2,918) |
| Cash Flows From Financing  | (398)   | (533)   | (239)   | (1,199) | (1,143) |

| DuPont Analysis (INR Mn) | FY24  | FY25  | FY26E | FY27E | FY28E |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| ROE                      | 21.1% | 24.5% | 24.5% | 26.9% | 27.3% |
| Net Profit Margin        | 5.9%  | 6.3%  | 6.1%  | 7.2%  | 8.0%  |
| Asset Turnover           | 1.5   | 1.6   | 1.7   | 1.7   | 1.7   |
| Financial Leverage       | 2.4   | 2.4   | 2.4   | 2.2   | 2.0   |

#### **Historical Price Chart: LMAX**



| Date              | Rating | Target Price |
|-------------------|--------|--------------|
| February 15, 2024 | BUY    | 457          |
| May 31, 2024      | BUY    | 552          |
| August 14, 2024   | BUY    | 587          |
| November 15, 2024 | SELL   | 483          |
| February 17, 2025 | BUY    | 851          |
| May 30,2025       | BUY    | 1,375        |
| August 11,2025    | BUY    | 1,300        |

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| Large | Cap' |
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| BUY   |      |

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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\*

The security is expected to generate upside of 20% or more over the next 12 months

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

#### Other Ratings

NOT RATED (NR) The stock has no recommendation from the Analyst

UNDER REVIEW (UR) The stock is under review by the Analyst and rating may change

#### Sector View

POSITIVE (P) Fundamentals of the sector look attractive over the next 12 months

NEUTRAL (N) Fundamentals of the sector are expected to be in statis over the next 12 months CAUTIOUS (C) Fundamentals of the sector are expected to be challenging over the next 12 months

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