Q2FY25 Result Update | Retail

Focus on profitable growth

ABFRL reported numbers in line with estimates

- Revenue (consolidated) grew by 13% YoY to Rs 36,439mn while revenue grew 6% on a QoQ basis
- Gross Margins were @ 56.47% as against 53.39% YoY and 56.55% QoQ
- EBIDTA margins stood at 9.92% as against 10.02% YoY driven by Panaloons
- Loss for Q2FY25 at Rs 2,147mn vs loss of 2,003mn/-2,149mn in Q2FY24/Q1FY25.

Outlook:

- H2 to be better on the back of festivity and very high number of weddings. Green shoots already seen at end of Q2 especially for the ethnic wear
- High single digit growth seen during Diwali, Poojo and start of wedding season
- Target of EBITDA margins of Lifestyle brands at a minimum of 18% in the medium term
- TCNS fully amalgamated w.e.f 1st September and the demerger should be completed by end of FY25.
- Store expansion target: 25 to 30 store opening of Pantaloons in FY25, 100 stores in lifestyle in H2 and a more measured approach towards other brands
- Net debt target: ~3500crs by end of FY25 (~400 to 500crs debt to be reduced in H2)

Financial Summary					
Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Netsales	124,179	139,959	158,249	177,610	199,940
EBIDTA	14,936	14,526	18,979	22,427	25,314
EPS (Rs) (post dilution)	(0.63)	(7.25)	(5.54)	(4.55)	(3.36)
P/E (x)	(526)	(46)	(60)	(73)	(98)
P/B (x)	9.4	8.3	9.6	11.1	12.6
EV/EBITDA (x)	24.3	25.6	19.7	16.6	14.6
D/E	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.2	1.5
RoCE (%)	8.6	5.7	3.5	6.1	7.9
RoE (%)	1.2	(3.7)	(11.4)	(10.4)	(8.3)

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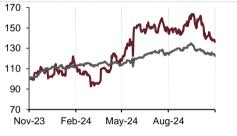
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Rating	TP (Rs)	Up/Dn (%)
BUY	348	18
Market data		
Current price	Rs	294
Market Cap (Rs.Bn)	(Rs Bn)	315
Market Cap (US\$ Mn)	(US\$Mn)	3,730
Face Value	Rs	10
52 Weeks High/Low	Rs	364.5 / 198.45
Average Daily Volume	('000)	3,476
BSE Code		524091
Bloomberg Source: Bloomberg		ABFRL.IN
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Aditya Birla Fashion and Retail Ltd

- Nifty Index

Source: Bloomberg

% Shareholding	Sep-24	Jun-24
Promoters	55	55
Public	44	44
Others	1	1
Total	100	100
Source: BSE		

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Segmental & Concall KTA's

Segmental					
Part iculars Rs Mns	Q2FY25	Q1FY25	QoQ	Q2FY24	YoY
A. Aditya Birla Lifestyle Brands Limited					
1. Lifestyle Brands	16,360	14,820	10%	15,860	3%
2. Other Brands	3,390	3,170	7%	3,170	7%
B. Proposed Demerged Entity (ABFRL)					
1. Pantaloons	10,820	11,010	-2%	10,490	3%
2. Ethnic (incl TCNS)	4,540	3,500	30%	1,440	215%
3. TMRW	1,750	1,430	22%	850	106%
4. Others	1,260	1,140	11%	1,210	4%
EBITDA Margins					
A. Aditya Birla Lifestyle Brands Limited	15.30%	15.70%		16.30%	
1. Lifestyle Brands	18.5%	18.8%		21.4%	
2. Other Brands	0.3%	1.3%		-8.8%	
B. Proposed Demerged Entity (ABFRL)	8.1%	6.9%		6.4%	
1. Pantaloons	15.0%	17.6%		9.3%	
2. Ethnic	-3.1%	-15.5%		-12.3%	
3. TMRW	-21.8%	-32.2%		-45.3%	
4. Others	31.4%	22.0%		40.0%	

A. Aditya Birla Lifestyle Brands Limited (ABLBL)

1. Lifestyle Brands

- Revenue was primarily impacted due to one of their large trading partners shutting down operations
- YoY EBITDA margins was lower due to a one time gain in the base quarter.
- In the long term operating margins target is to be atleast at 18%
- Wholesale business was down by 11% YoY and retail business up 3% YoY
- Opened 29 high quality stores in key markets and exited from unviable markets

2. Other business

I. Youth Western Wear

 American Eagle grew by 31% YoY || || 69 stores across 30+cities

II. Sportswear and Innerwear

 Reebok LTL growth at 10% in Q2 || Present across 169 stores || Focus is to aggressively add stores in the coming few years Van Heusen Retail L2L growth @3% in Q2|| E-com up 24% YoY||Available at +35800 outlets|| Athleisure grew after sustained degrowth in previous quarters || Added Q-commerce channel for the athleisure and the response has been positive so far || Innerwear performance to improve in coming quarters

B. Proposed Demerged ABFRL

I. Pantaloons

- Retail LTL @1.3% for Q2FY25
- EBITDA grew 65% YoY due to effective markdown management, superior merchandising & various control measures
- Style Up: 5 stores opened in Q1, now present at 35.
 Peformance has been encouraging
- Pantaloons segment EBIT is under pressure due to scale up of Style Up. Core Pantaloons is free cashflow generating segment (excludes Style Up)
- 25 to 30 stores addition for FY25. Focus is on metro/large towns & cities || Cautious on expansion in smaller towns || Store size, product quality and look/feel has been altered to attract more customers

II. Ethnic Brands

- JAYPORE: Revenue grew 15% YoY in Q2 led by Retail LTL growth of 6%
- Shantanu & Nikhil: Revenue growth of 10% ||Pret label "S&N" grew by ~24% YoY. 20 stores as on date
- Sabyasachi: Apparel and accessories saw strong growth
- TASVA: Retail LTL 26% || Sales up by 79% in Q2 || 3 stores added in Q2 ||
- TCNS: Revenue at 13% of LY due to better store productivity and end to end merchandising || Retail LTL at 3% || EBITDA positive in Q2
- MASABA: Sales up 123% YoY|| Beauty brand "Lovechild" at ~10x of LY||
- Tarun Tahiliani: Increased stake to 51%
- Tasva, Jaipore and Masaba facing operational losses

III. Super Premium Brands (The Collective)

- 9% growth over LY
- E-comm grew by 24% YoY
- Total stores at 40
- IV. TMRW
 - Sales doubled over LY
 - ~1000crs annual revenue runrate
 - Yet to be profitable on a portfolio level
 - Organic growth at 30%

Quarterly Performance Analysis (consolidated)

Part iculars Rs Mns (Consolidated)	Q2FY25	Q2FY24	YOY	Q1FY25	QoQ
Revenue from Operations	36,439	32,264	13%	34,278	6%
Other Income	516	457	13%	478	8%
Total Income	36,954	32,722	13%	34,756	6%
COGS	15,862	15,037	5%	14,893	7%
% of sales	43.53%	46.61%		43.45%	
GROSS MARGINS	56.47%	53.39%		56.55%	
Employee Benefit Expense	5,189	4,231	23%	4,688	11%
% of sales	14.24%	13.11%		13.68%	
Other Expenses	9,650	7,664	26%	8,796	10%
% of sales	26.48%	23.75%		25.66%	
Rent	2,125	2,099	1%	2,317	-8%
% of sales	5.83%	6.50%		6.76%	
Total expenses	32,825	29,031	13%	30,694	7%
% of sales	90.08%	89.98%		89.54%	
EBITDA excluding other income	3,613	3,233	12%	3,584	1%
EBIDTA MARGINS	9.92%	10.02%		10.46%	
EBITDA including other income	4,129	3,691	12%	4,062	2%
EBIDTA Margins	11.17%	11.28%		11.69%	
Depreciation	4,610	3,888	19%	4,359	6%
EBIT	(481)	(197)		(297)	
Finance costs	2,500	2,084	20%	2,195	14%
PBT report ed	(2,783)	(2 <i>,</i> 286)		(2,496)	
Adjusted PAT	(2,147)	(2,003)		(2,149)	
NPM	-5.81%	-6.12%		-6.18%	
Basic EPS	(1.81)	(1.86)		(1.60)	

Source: Dalal & Broacha Research, Company

Valuation & Outlook

Valuations - SOTP

Part iculars (Rs. Bn) Adit ya Birla Lifest yle (ALBL)				
Lifestyle Business	FY27			
Sales	86,180			
EBITDA	15,943			
Margins	18.5%			
EV/EBITDA (x)	18			
EV	286,980			
Reebok + Innerwear + Athleisure Business				
Sales	17,027			
EV/Sales (x)	1			
EV	17,027			
Adit ya Birla Fashion Lif (ABFRL) Demerged	est yle			
Pant aloons	FY27			
Sales	55,386			
EBITDA	9,693			
Margins	17.5%			
EV/EBITDA (x)	13			
EV	126,003			
Ethnic wear				
Sales	22,829			
EV/Sales (x)	1			
EV	22,829			
TMRW				
Sales	11,552			
EV/Sales (x)	1			
EV	11,552			
Others				
Sales	6,966			
EV/Sales (x)	1			
EV	6,966			
Total EV	471,357			
Debt + Lease Liability	107,728			
Cash	9,054			
Equit y Value	372,683			
No of shares	1,071			
Per share	348			
СМР	300			
Upside (%)	16%			

The company is strategically navigating towards attaining balance between achieving profitability and fostering growth. By judiciously moderating its pace of store expansion and implementing a variety of costsaving measures, the organization has begun to see tangible results in the recently concluded quarter especially visible in Pantaloons margins at 15%.

H2FY25 is expected to do well on account of higher occasional wear and weddings coupled with acquired business like TCNS turning EBITDA profitable. The proposed demerger is likely to be completed by end of FY25.

Going forward we will closely monitor the reduction in debt levels. In light of this we arrive at a Target price of Rs 348 based on SOTP valuation methodology and maintain our BUY recommendation.

Financials

Profit and Loss (Rs. Mn)	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Net Sales	124,179	139,959	158,249	177,610	199,940
Cost of sales	109,243	125,433	139,271	155,183	174,626
Operating Profit	14,936	14,526	18,979	22,427	25,314
Depreciation	12,270	16,552	18,204	20,033	21,946
PBIT	2,666	(2,026)	774	2,394	3 <i>,</i> 368
Otherincome	1,165	2,376	2,000	2,100	2,205
Interest	4,724	8,766	9,095	9,681	10,130
Profit before tax	(893)	(8,417)	(6,320)	(5,187)	(4,557)
Exceptional and Extra Orc	-	-	-	-	-
share of profit/loss in JV	-	-	-	-	-
PBT (Post Extra Ordinary)	(893)	(8,417)	(6,320)	(5,187)	(4 <i>,</i> 557)
Provision for tax	(230)	(931)	(695)	(571)	(1,148)
Reported PAT	(663)	(7,486)	(5,625)	(4,616)	(3,408)
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Adjusted PAT Source: Dalal & Broacha Research	(595) n, Company	(7,358)	(5,625)	(4,616)	(3,408)

Balance Sheet	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Equity capital	9,488	10,150	10,150	10,150	10,150
Reserves	23,945	30,188	24,563	19,947	16,538
Net worth	33,433	40,338	34,713	30,097	26,688
Minority Interest	27	6,872	6,872	6,872	6,872
Non Current Liabilites	65,422	90,886	95,514	103,512	109,667
Current Liabilites	71,531	86,015	95,181	104,313	114,764
CAPITAL EMPLOYED	170,413	224,111	225,408	237,922	251,120
Non Current Assets	98,712	137,189	140,610	145,383	149,627
Fixed Assets	62,334	88,366	90,605	94,219	97,173
Non Current Investments	842	1,041	1,041	1,041	1,041
Non Current tax assets	64	259	298	334	374
Long Term Loans and Adva	12	5	5	6	7
Other NON Current Asset:	3,736	3,938	4,332	4,765	5,241
Goodwill	23,297	32,010	32,010	32,010	32,010
Deferred Tax Assets	4,085	6,572	6,572	6,572	6,572
Security Deposits	4,343	4,997	5,747	6,437	7,209
Current Assets	71,701	86,922	91,670	99,412	108,365
Current investments	1,824	8,807	8,807	6,307	3,807
Inventories	42,144	45,053	49,859	53,526	60,256
Trade Receivables	8,864	12,788	13,007	14,598	16,433
Cash and Bank Balances	7,011	4,624	2,878	6,298	9,054
Short Term Loans and Adv	100	106	106	106	106
Other Current Assets	11,757	15,544	17,013	18,576	18,709

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Cash Flow St. (Rs. mn)	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Net Profit	(663)	(7,486)	(5,625)	(4,616)	(3,408)
Add: Dep. & Amort.	12,270	16,552	18,204	20,033	21,946
Minority Interest	-	-	-	-	-
Cash profits	11,607	9,067	12,579	15,417	18,537
(Inc)/Dec in					
-Sundry debtors	(807)	(3,924)	(219)	(1,591)	(1,652)
-Inventories	(10,348)	(2,910)	(4,806)	(3,667)	(7,158)
-Loans/advances	(170)	2	(1)	(1)	(36)
-Current Liab and Provisions	11,117	11,162	10,835	10,927	7,468
- Other Assets	(3,914)	543	(1,902)	(2,032)	(1,742)
- Non Curent security Deposits	(925)	(654)	(750)	(690)	(81)
Change in working capital	(5,048)	4,220	3,158	2,947	(3,200)
CF from Oper. activities	6,559	13,286	15,738	18,364	15,337
CF from Inv. activities	(18,019)	(29,917)	(17,483)	(17,444)	(23,450)
CF from Fin. activities	16,836	14,200	-	2,500	200
Cash generated/(utilised)	5,377	(2,431)	(1,746)	3,420	(7,913)
Cash at start of the year	1,079	7,011	4,624	2,878	6,298
Cash at end of the year	7,011	4,624	2,878	6,298	9,054
Ratios	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
OPM	12	10.4	12.0	12.6	12.7
NPM	(0)	(5.2)	(3.5)	(2.6)	(1.7)
Tax rate	26	11.1	11.0	11.0	25.2
Growth Ratios (%)					
Net Sales	59	12.7	13.1	12.2	12.6
Operating Profit	38	(2.7)	30.7	18.2	12.9
PBIT	101	(176.0)	(138.2)	209.1	40.7
PAT	(26)	1,137.3	(23.6)	(17.9)	(26.2)
Per Share (Rs.)					
Net Earnings (EPS)	(1)	(7.2)	(5 5)	(45)	(3.4)
Cash Earnings (CPS)	(1) 12	(7.2) 9.1	(5.5) 12.4	(4.5) 15.2	(3.4) 18.3
Dividend	-	-	12.4	15.2	10.5
Book Value	- 35	39.7	34.2	29.7	26.3
Free Cash Flow	(12)	(16.4)	(1.7)	0.9	(8.0)
Valuation Ratios	(12)	(10.4)	(1.7)	0.9	(8.0)
	(526 E)	(AE E)	(59.5)	(72 6)	(09.2)
P/E(x) P/B(x)	(526.5) 9.4	(45.5) 8.3	(59.5) 9.6	(72.6) 11.1	(98.3) 12.6
EV/EBIDTA(x)	9.4 24.3	8.3 25.6	9.8 19.7	11.1	12.6 14.6
Div. Yield(%)	24.3	23.0	19.7	10.0	- 14.0
FCF Yield(%)	(3.7)	(5.0)	(0.5)	0.3	(2.4)
Return Ratios (%)					
ROE	1%	40/			
	170	-4%	-11%	-10%	-8%
ROCE	9%	-4% 6%	-11% 4%	-10% 6%	-8% 8%

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