



# Result Update

**Q2 FY24** 

JB Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.

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# JB Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.



## Pharma | Q2FY24 Result Update

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#### Domestic formulation and CMO business to drive profitability

# **Result Highlights**

JB Chemicals and Pharmaceuticals Ltd. reported revenue growth of 8.9% YoY / down 1.6% QoQ to Rs. 8,817 mn and was above market expectations of Rs. 8,730 mn. The domestic formulation business reported robust double-digit growth of 10.8% YoY and continued its growth trajectory through strong momentum in the chronic portfolio and acquired brands. At the same time, the acute portfolio remained subdued due to weak demand. The international formulation business saw healthy gains amidst a challenging business environment and clocked 8.7% annual growth during the quarter. The CDMO business continues to perform well and recorded sales of Rs. 1,150 mn in Q2FY24, which grew at 5.0% YoY. EBITDA increased 31.9% YoY / up 4.9% QoQ to Rs. 2,435 mn, while EBITDA margin stood at 27.6% (up 482bps YoY / up 172bps QoQ) in Q2FY24, led by an expansion in gross margins by 344bps YoY to 66.2%. Profit after Tax stood at Rs. 1,506 mn (up 35.6% YoY / up 5.8% QoQ) in Q2FY24, while the PAT margin rose to 17.1% versus 15.9% in the previous quarter. Further, the company's chronic cluster outpaced the IPM growth by growing 25% YoY vs IPM chronic portfolio growth of 12.0% in Q2FY24 as per IQVIA. We expect domestic revenue to grow in the mid-teen digits, led by new launches, line extensions and improving MR productivity.

#### Valuation and Outlook:

JB Chemicals and Pharmaceuticals continued to record healthy revenue growth in Q2FY24, aided by growth in the domestic formulation business (~55% of sales) due to significant demand acceleration in the acquired portfolio and chronic brands, despite the weak acute season led by subdued demand. The international formulation business saw healthy gains amidst a challenging business environment. Excluding South Africa, the business grew in double digits in Q2FY24 and mid-teens in H1FY24. The momentum in the CDMO business continued during the quarter. The international business will focus on expanding the offering in CDMO and ramping up its presence in ROW markets, backed up by better productivity. Overall, we expect JB Chemicals to continue its growth momentum, driven by the geographical expansion of legacy brands, scale-up in Sanzyme, Azmarda, and Razel franchises, improvement in MR productivity, scaling up of contract manufacturing business, and new product launches across markets which would provide earnings visibility with superior cash flows and return ratios.

#### **Key Highlights**

Particulars (Rs. mn)	Q2FY23	Q1FY24	Q2FY24	YoY (%)	QoQ (%)
Net Sales	8,094	8,962	8,817	8.9%	-1.6%
Gross profit	5,079	5,862	5,836	14.9%	-0.5%
Gross margin (%)	62.7%	65.4%	66.2%	344bps	77bps
EBITDA	1,846	2,321	2,435	31.9%	4.9%
OPM (%)	22.8%	25.9%	27.6%	482bps	172bps
Adj. PAT	1,111	1,423	1,506	35.6%	5.8%
PAT Margin (%)	13.7%	15.9%	17.1%	336bps	120bps

Source: Company, BP Equities Research

Sector Outlook	Positive		
Stock			
CMP (Rs.)	1,505		
BSE code	506943		
NSE Symbol	JBCHEM- PHARM		
Bloomberg	JBCP IN		
Reuters	JBCH:BO		
Key Data			
Nifty	19,425		
52 Week H/L (Rs.)	1,536/875		
O/s Shares (Mn)	155		
Market Cap (Rs. bn)	233		
Face Value (Rs.)	1		
Average Volume			
3 months	101,880		
6 months	82,340		
1 year	76,990		



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# **Relative Price Chart**

**Share Holding (%)** 



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## **Key Concall Highlights**

#### **Domestic Business Outlook:**

Domestic formulation business recorded healthy annual revenue growth during the quarter due to impressive growth in the acquired and chronic portfolio. The company's domestic business is expected to consistently outperform market growth driven by big brands becoming bigger, market share and prescription gains in acquired portfolio of probiotics, heartfailure, pediatric and lipid-lowering segment's new product launches.

#### **Chronic Portfolio:**

On the chronic side, JB Chemicals continues to outpace chronic IPM by a wide margin. The big brands, especially in the chronic segment, continue to outpace the market and have reached new milestones. The company wants to improve its chronic share overall and is adding line extensions to its existing products like Cilacar which now has 10 variants out of which Cilacar T is a Rs 1.2 billion brand. India business is expected to deliver market beating growth while focusing on increasing chronic share to 60% going ahead.

"JB Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals has a strong focus on domestic chronic portfolio and CMO segment coupled with traction in export formulations which provides strong earnings visibility for FY24."

#### **Azmarda Brand:**

In Azmarda, the company has seen a good volume increase which is offsetting the major price cut that the company had taken post LOE. The company has 16-18% market share in this sub-group during the quarter. Further, JB Chemicals expect the brand to grow sharply over the next 2-3 years.

# Capex plan:

Net capex addition for H1FY24 was Rs. 93 crores mainly on account of expansion of the lozenges manufacturing facility in Daman. Out of Rs. 145 crores capex guidance for FY24, Rs. 50 croes was for land acquisition and Rs. 70 crores will be for maintenance.

#### **MR Productivity:**

There are currently seven focused therapy divisions, with a total strength of more than 2,200 MR working for JB Chemicals. Its MR productivity has improved to monthly revenue of Rs 6.2 lakhs/MR as of Q2FY24 and planning to improve further to Rs 7 lakhs/MR by FY24.

#### **CMO Business:**

The CMO business, along with the domestic formulation business, accounts for 68% of total sales in Q2FY24. The increasing acceptance and continued demand for lozenges was the key driver for this gain. The company has introduced several products in industrial markets in lozenges with marquee partners and looks to add new therapies and geographies to expand growth visibility in the coming years.



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Key Financials								
YE March (Rs. mn)	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E			
Net Sales	20,430	24,240	31,490	35,920	40,530			
Growth %	15.1%	18.6%	29.9%	14.1%	12.8%			
EBIDTA	5,600	5,430	6,960	9030	10,710			
Growth%	48.1%	-3.0%	28.2%	29.7%	18.6%			
Net Profit	2,720	4,490	3,860	5,670	7,060			
Growth %	40.2%	65.1%	-14.0%	46.9%	24.5%			
Diluted EPS	58.0	49.9	53.0	70.5	86.7			
Profitability & Valuation								
EBIDTA (%)	27.4%	22.4%	22.1%	25.1%	26.4%			
NPM (%)	13.3%	18.5%	12.3%	15.8%	17.4%			
ROE (%)	24.8%	18.1%	20.7%	23.8%	25.6%			
ROCE (%)	32.8%	23.6%	25.9%	27.6%	30.5%			
P/E (x)	26.0	30.2	28.4	21.3	17.4			
EV/EBITDA (x)	35.7	38.0	27.2	22.2	19.3			
Net Debt/EBITDA (x)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2			

Source: Company, Bloomberg Estimates



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