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EQUITY MARKETS

		С	hange, S	%
India	28-Sep	1-day	1-mo	3-mo
Sensex	17,291	0.8	12.9	18.0
Nifty	5,021	0.4	12.5	16.3
Global/Regional in	ndices			
Dow Jones	13,896	(0.1)	4.0	3.6
Nasdaq Composite	2,702	(0.3)	4.1	3.8
FTSE	6,467	(0.3)	2.6	(2.1)
Nikkie	16,851	0.4	1.7	(7.1)
Hang Seng	27,142	0.3	13.2	24.7
KOSPI	1,968	1.1	5.1	12.9
Value traded - Ind	ia			
		Мо	ving avo	g, Rs bn
	28-Sep		1-mo	3-mo
Cash (NSE+BSE)	250.4		156.5	161.9
Derivatives (NSE)	570.0		573.4	605.0
Deri. open interest	739.9		871.2	819.9

Forex/money market

		Chang	e, basis	points
	28-Sep	1-day	1-mo	3-mo
Rs/US\$	39.8	-	(109)	(89)
6mo fwd prem, %	0.7	(25)	71	24
10yr govt bond, %	7.9	(1)	(3)	(27)

Net investment (US\$mn)

	26-Sep	MTD	CYTD
Fils	246	-	10,829
MFs	23	-	554

Top movers -3mo basis

		CI	hange, %	6
Best performers	28-Sep	1-day	1-mo	3-mo
Reliance Energy	1,206	7.9	54.6	96.3
Neyveli Lignite	105	1.2	37.5	70.4
Chambal Fert	58	6.1	16.9	59.8
SAIL	207	2.8	23.0	57.9
Tata Tele	44	-	36.4	54.0
Worst performers				
i-Flex	1,890	(0.2)	(7.1)	(27.1)
Polaris	123	0.0	8.1	(19.8)
Novartis India	324	5.2	10.9	(15.0)
HCL Tech	300	(2.0)	(1.2)	(12.8)
Cipla	182	3.5	9.0	(12.5)

News Roundup

Corporate

- IFCI has shortlisted GE Capital, IDFC, the WL Ross-GoldmanSachs-Standard Chartered Bank-HDFC consortium, the Shinsei Bank of Japan-Punjab Naitonal Bank-JC Flowers consortium and Sterlite-Morgan Stanley consortium for selling a strategic stake in the financial institution. (BS)
- Two prominent Chinese construction equipment companies, Sany and Liugong, have ventured out of China for the first time, to set up facilities in India, to capitalise on the infrastructure boom here. (BS)
- Merill Lynch and Citigroup have picked up 5% each in MCX. The transaction puts the total valuation of MCX at over US\$1 billion. (ET)
- F&B major Del Monte pacific is buying EL Rothschild's 40% equity in Bharti Enterprises-owned FieldFresh, reducing Rothschild as a minority partner with 10% equity. (ET)
- TCL, China's third largest electronic manufacturer, has entered into a technical joint venture with Pune-based real estate and automobile firm DS Kulkarni group (DSK) to manufacture and market the former's information technology and digital products in the Indian market. (ET)

Economic and political

- With six months to go in the current fiscal, public spend (Rs4,385 crore) on the national rural job guarantee scheme is well short of the half-way mark on the Budget allocation (Rs12,000). (BL)
- According to a study by global researcher Euromonitor International, the local kiranawala (grocer) in India still rules the roost, with traditional stores accounting for 98% of total grocery sales by value. (BS)
- The South India Cotton Association has called for an early end to the 3 per cent Central Sales Tax levy on cotton being bought on inter-state sale in view of the levy being non-VATable. (BL)

Source: ET = Economic Times, BS = Business Standard, FE = Financial Express, BL = Business Line.

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Retailing

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Rating	IL
Sector coverage view	Neutral
Target Price (Rs)	425
52W High -Low (Rs)	580 - 344
Market Cap (Rs bn)	79

Financials

2007	2008E	2009E
35	53	74
0.9	1.5	2.2
6.1	10.5	15.0
27.5	75.3	44.0
89.2	51.5	36.1
35.2	24.8	18.1
0.6	0.7	0.8
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Shareholding, June 2007

		% of	Over/(under)
	Pattern	Portfolio	weight
Promoters	44.7	-	-
FIIs	25.9	0.3	0.0
MFs	9.9	0.6	0.4
UTI	-	-	(0.2)
LIC	-	-	(0.2)

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- PRIL reported 4Q operating net earnings of Rs66 mn (vs our expectation of Rs329 mn), down 58% on a yoy basis
- EBITDA margin for the quarter was 5.6% (vs expectation of 7%), down from 6.5% yoy and 7% over the last quarter
- Consolidated FY2007 sales were up 79% yoy, but reported PAT was down 34% yoy to Rs 355 mn, despite one-off income from investments of Rs862 mn
- We maintain our In-line rating on the stock and target price of Rs425

PRIL, in its 4Q2007 results, reported net earnings of 181 mn, growth of 14% yoy. However, adjusting for Rs177 mn income from investments, operational income declined 58% yoy to Rs66 mn. Sales were 11% lower than expectation at Rs10.19 bn (77% yoy growth) and EBITDA margins were 140 bps below expectations. We maintain our In-Line rating on the stock.

Net operating income declined 58% yoy, subsidiary EBITDA losses at Rs820 mn

Reported PAT in 4QFY07 was up 14% yoy to Rs181 mn. However, adjusting for Rs177 mn income from sale in investments, operating income was down 58% yoy in the quarter. For FY2007, standalone reported profits were up 86% yoy to Rs1.19 bn but down 6% yoy after adjustments for Rs889 mn income from investments.

EBITDA margins the lowest in the year

Standalone EBITDA margins were 5.6%, 90 bps lower than 4Q2006 and 140 bps lower than 3Q2007, and the lowest for the year. EBITDA margins were impacted primarily by higher raw material costs, which were up 320 bps on a qoq basis, due to product mix issues. Encouragingly, fixed costs (as a % of revenue) were 150 bps lower qoq on a standalone basis. For FY2007, EBITDA margins were 6.7%, 90 bps lower qoq, again primarily due to higher raw material costs. However, on a consolidated basis (including Home Solutions), EBITDA margins declined 310 bps to 3.9% for FY2007.

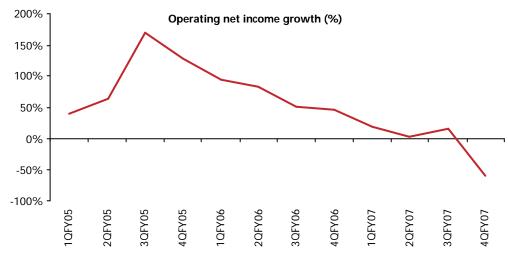
Sales growth a healthy 77%, but still 11% below expectationa

Sales, at Rs10.2 bn in 4Q2007, were up 77% yoy and 18% qoq, but 11% lower than our expectation. Lifestyle sales have declined 10% qoq, but have grown 63% on yoy basis. On a full-year basis, FY2007 value retailing grew 70% yoy while lifestyle retailing grew 49%.

We maintain our target price and In-line rating

We maintain our SOTP-based target price of Rs425, despite lower-than-expected operating earnings. We await more clarity from management on inventory write-offs.

Operating Net Income growth in 4Q07 has declined for the first time in the last 3 years Year-over-Year growth in operating net income, June fiscal year-ends (%)



Source: Company data; compiled by Kotak Institutional Equities

			YoY			QoQ				
	SA 2007A	4Q2007	4Q2006	% chg	4Q2007	3Q2007	% chg	Consol 2007A	Consol 2006A	% chg
Net sales	32,367	10,196	5,752	77%	10,196	8,610	18%	34,686	19,337	79%
Total expenditure	(30,211)	(9,629)	(5,379)	79%	(9,629)	(8,008)	20%	(33,346)	(17,979)	85%
Raw materials	(22,095)	(7,208)	(3,750)	92%	(7,208)	(5,809)	24%	(23,311)	(12,772)	83%
Staff Costs	(2,061)	(579)	(442)	31%	(579)	(537)	8%	(2,705)	(1,226)	121%
Other expenditure	(6,056)	(1,842)	(1,186)	55%	(1,842)	(1,662)	11%	(7,330)	(3,981)	84%
EBITDA	2,156	568	373	52%	568	603	-6%	1,340	1,358	-1%
EBITDA margin (%)	6.7	5.6	6.5		5.6	7.0		3.9	7.0	
Operating other income	31	_	30	-99%	_	9	-97%	79	37	117%
Depreciation	(369)	(126)	(66)	91%	(126)	(93)	35%	(482)	(227)	113%
Net finance cost	(898)	(337)	(98)	244%	(337)	(229)	47%	(1,001)	(354)	183%
PBT	921	105	239	-56%	105	290	-64%	(64)	813	-108%
Extraordinaries (b)	889	177	—		177	—		862	_	
Тах	(610)	(95)	(79)	20%	(95)	(103)	-7%	(597)	(285)	109%
Prior period/Minorities ('c)	(6)	(6)	_		(6)			154	10	1519%
Reported PAT	1,194	181	159	14%	181	187	-3%	355	537	-34%
Operating net income (a)	604	66	159	-58%	66	187	-65%	138	537	-74%
Income tax rate (%)	0.34	0.34	0.33		0.34	0.35		0.75	0.35	

Interim Results of Pantaloon retail, June fiscal year-ends (Rs mn)

Notes:

a) Operating net income is after adjusting the tax impact on extraordinary item.

b) Extraordinaries represent profit on sale of investments

c)The consolidated numbers have a minority contribution of Rs. 156mn

Source: Company data; compiled by Kotak Institutional Equities

Segment Revenue

-			Y	οY				QoQ	
Revenue	FY2007	FY2006	% chg	4Q2007	4Q2006	% chg	4Q2007	3Q2007	% chg
Lifestyle Retailing	9,365	6,301	49%	2,438	1,499	63%	2,438	2,696	-10%
Value Retailing	22,483	13,247	70%	6,603	4,028	64%	6,603	5,929	11%
Home retailing	3,548	_		1,223	_		1,223	1,007	21%
Total	35,396	19,548	81%	10,264	5,528	86%	10,264	9,633	7%
less: SIS and consignment sales	1,964			569	214	166%	569	735	-23%
Total Retail Sales	33,432	19,548	71%	9,695	5,314	82%	9,695	8,898	9%

Source: Company data; compiled by Kotak Institutional Equities

Key model assumptions for standalone business of PRIL, June fiscal year-ends (Rs mn)

	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007E	FY2008E	FY2009E	FY2010E
Number of stores (#)	39	64	97	177	253	336	413
New stores opened (#)	17	25	33	72	76	83	77
Total retail space ('000 sq. ft.)	944	1,866	2,771	5,543	8,191	11,141	13,749
Incr. in total retail space ('000 sq.ft.)	423	922	905	2,772	2,648	2,950	2,608
Weighted avg. sales per sq. ft. (Rs)	9,631	8,391	8,349	8,365	7,686	7,640	7,458
Total revenues (Rs mn)	6,583	10,841	19,608	34,775	52,780	73,849	92,820
Total revenues (US\$ mn)	146	241	436	773	1,173	1,641	2,063
Share of revs from value retailing (%)	48.6	56.9	67.3	71.5	72.6	73.7	73.5
Avg. 'same store' sales growth (%)	20	28	34	17	16	15	9
Gross margin-GM (%)	31.8	32.2	31.8	33.5	32.1	31.3	30.5
EBITDA margin (%)	8.5	8.0	7.2	6.9	6.7	6.7	6.5
EBIT margin (%)	7.3	7.2	6.4	6.1	5.8	5.9	5.6
Net profit margin (%)	3.0	3.6	3.3	2.6	2.9	3.0	2.9
Other metrics							
Employee cost/sales (%)	4.2	4.7	5.7	6.9	6.5	5.8	5.8
Sales/average capital employed (X)	2.0	2.5	2.3	2.4	2.8	3.1	3.4
Net FG inventory-days of sales	67	83	89	85	75	70	60
GMROF (Rs/sq.ft)	2,614	2,253	2,222	2,608	2,284	2,146	1,990
GMROL (Rs '000/employee)	709	638	656	649	692	773	829
Average capex/sq.ft. (Rs)	1,708	735	1,333	983	969	964	966
Capex/sales (%)	17.7	8.8	16.0	11.7	12.6	12.6	12.9
RoACE (excl. cash) (%)							

Source: Company, Kotak Institutional Equities.

Pantaloon Retail, income statement, March fiscal year end, FY2002-09E (Rs mn)

	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	FY2008E	FY2009E	FY2010E
Gross operating revenue	4,448	6,583	10,841	19,608	32,367	52,780	73,849	92,820
Operating expenses								
Cost of goods sold	3,146	4,563	7,330	13,364	22,095	35,841	50,765	64,501
Staff costs	168	275	507	1,121	2,061	3,449	4,273	5,364
SG&A expenses	760	1,187	2,138	3,702	6,056	9,981	13,845	16,932
Total expenditure	4,074	6,025	9,974	18,187	30,212	49,270	68,883	86,797
(% of revenues)	91.6	91.5	92.0	92.8	93.3	93.3	93.3	93.5
EBITDA	374	558	866	1,420	2,155	3,510	4,966	6,023
EBITDA margin (%)	8.4	8.5	8.0	7.2	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.5
Other income	8	13	43	42	31	40	40	40
Depreciation	64	88	133	208	369	491	657	822
EBIT	318	484	776	1,254	1,817	3,059	4,349	5,240
Net finance cost	177	239	244	335	898	682	959	1,117
Pretax profits before extra-ordinaries	142	244	532	919	919	2,378	3,390	4,123
Exceptional items	(5)	_	_	_	889	_	_	_
Prior period items	(2)	(1)	(0)	(1)	6	_	_	_
Profit before tax	149	245	532	920	1,802	2,378	3,390	4,123
Current tax	9	15	75	128	414	422	600	729
Deferred tax	11	31	70	149	196	417	595	724
Reported PAT	130	199	387	643	1,192	1,538	2,195	2,671
Adjusted net profit	122	199	386	642	603	1,538	2,195	2,671
Calculations								
Margins (%)								
Gross margin	29.3	30.7	32.4	31.8	31.7	32.1	31.3	30.5
SGnA to sales	17.1	18.0	19.7	18.9	18.7	18.9	18.7	18.2
EBITDA margin	8.4	8.5	8.0	7.2	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.5
EBIT margin	7.2	7.3	7.2	6.4	5.6	5.8	5.9	5.6
PBT margin	3.4	3.7	4.9	4.7	5.6	4.5	4.6	4.4
Net profit margin (w/o extraordinaries)								
Effective tax rate (%)	13.2	18.6	27.3	27.0	33.7	33.7	33.7	33.7

Source: Company data for historical, Kotak Institutional Equities for forecasts.

Pantaloon Retail, balance sheet, March fiscal year end, FY2002-09E (Rs mn)

	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007E	FY2008E	FY2009E	FY2010E
Equity								
Share capital	182	191	220	269	294	294	294	294
General reserves/surplus	343	391	714	1,279	2,216	3,167	4,702	6,639
Capital reserve	1,329	366	1,281	3,721	8,279	8,279	8,279	8,279
Net worth	1,854	949	2,215	5,269	10,788	11,739	13,274	15,212
Deferred tax liability	29	60	130	279	673	1,090	1,685	2,409
Debt								
Secured loans	1,413	2,153	2,562	4,281	3,781	6,781	9,281	9,281
Unsecured loans	42	214	300	1,733	1,733	1,733	1,733	1,733
Total debt	1,455	2,366	2,862	6,014	5,514	8,514	11,014	11,014
Current liabilities and provisions	665	729	1,449	2,623	3,820	5,496	7,483	9,262
Total capital	4,003	4,105	6,656	14,185	20,795	26,839	33,456	37,897
Assets								
Cash and cash equivalents	81	138	215	218	895	1,011	902	1,182
Inventory	1,144	1,576	2,759	5,070	8,468	11,245	14,603	15,748
Sundry debtors	223	176	123	170	93	110	110	110
Loans and advances	214	410	941	3,366	3,608	4,667	5,847	7,165
Gross block	1,230	1,847	2,511	3,660	6,384	8,950	11,795	14,314
Less: accumulated depreciation	157	243	374	566	905	1,395	2,052	2,874
Net fixed assets	1,073	1,604	2,137	3,094	5,479	7,555	9,743	11,440
Capital – WIP	33	144	158	861	861	861	861	861
Net fixed assets (incl. C-WIP)	1,106	1,748	2,295	3,955	6,340	8,415	10,604	12,300
Investments	53	53	319	1,406	1,406	1,406	1,406	1,406
Miscellaneous expenditure	5	4	3	_		_		_
Intangibles (brands etc.)	1,177	_	—	—		—		_
Total assets	4,003	4,105	6,656	14,185	20,795	26,839	33,456	37,896
Leverage and return ratios (%)								
Debt/equity	78	235	122	108	48	66	74	63
Debt/capitalization	44	70	55	52	32	40	42	38
Net debt/equity	76	256	124	109	44	63	72	60
Net debt/capitalization	43	72	55	52	30	39	42	37
Net debt/EBITDA (X)	3.7	4.0	3.1	4.1	1.9	2.1	2.0	1.6

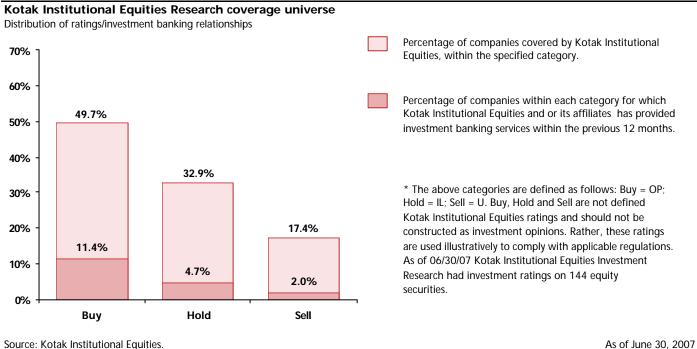
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PRIL cash flow statement, June fiscal year-ends (Rs mn)

	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007E	FY2008E	FY2009E	FY2010E
Operating								
Pre-tax profits and extraordinary items	142	244	531	919	1,369	2,378	3,390	4,123
Depreciation & amortization	64	88	133	208	339	491	657	822
Taxes paid	(3)	(27)	(41)	(105)	(399)	(422)	(600)	(729)
Dividend and other income	2	(0)	(11)	(0)	_	_	_	_
Interest expense	177	231	275	335	740	682	959	1,117
Interest paid	(177)	(231)	(275)	(335)	(740)	(682)	(959)	(1,117)
Foreign exchange loss/(gain)	5	8	(31)	_	_	_	_	_
Extraordinaries (incl. prior period items)	(8)	(1)	(0)	(10)	889	_	_	_
Other non-cash items	1	1	1	1	_	_	_	_
Working capital changes	(129)	(515)	(1,009)	(2,244)	(2,365)	(2,177)	(2,550)	(684)
Cash flow from operations	73	(202)	(427)	(1,232)	(168)	269	897	3,533
Operating, excl. working capital	203	313	582	1,013	2,198	2,446	3,447	4,217
Investing								
Capex incl. capital issue expenses	(428)	(730)	(682)	(1,868)	(2,724)	(2,566)	(2,845)	(2,519)
(Purchase)/sale of assets/businesses	1	_	1	_				
(Purchase)/sale of investments (incl. inv. in subsic	(2)	_	(255)	(2,625)		_		
Advances to subsidiary			(4)	148	_	—	—	
Interest/dividend received	_	_	(0)	_	_	_	—	_
Cash flow from investing	(429)	(730)	(939)	(4,345)	(2,724)	(2,566)	(2,845)	(2,519)
Financing								
Proceeds from issue of share capital	43	107	914	2,492	4,582	_		
Net proceeds from borrowings	357	911	531	3,152	(500)	3,000	2,500	
Effect of FX changes	(5)	(8)	31					
Dividends paid (incl. tax)	—	(21)	(32)	(63)	(514)	(587)	(660)	(734)
Cash flow from financing	396	989	1,443	5,581	3,569	2,413	1,840	(734)
Net change in cash/cash equivalents	40	58	76	3	678	116	(108)	280
Beginning cash	40	81	138	215	218	895	1,011	902
Ending cash	81	138	215	218	895	1,011	902	1,182
Discretionary cash flow	40	37	44	(59)	164	(471)	(769)	(453)
Free Cash flow	(355)	(932)	(1,109)	(3,100)	(2,891)	(2,297)	(1,948)	1,014

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