RECOMMENDATION: BUY

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Stock details

BSE Code	520077
Bloomberg Code	AMTK@IN
Market Cap (Rs bn)	42.8
Free Float (%)	66
52-wk Hi/Lo (Rs)	376/240
Avg Daily Vol (BSE)	42,202
Avg Daily Vol (NSE)	104,968
Shares o/s (mn) FV Rs 2	122

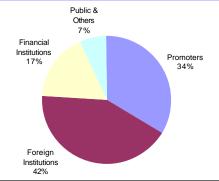
Source: Company Emkay Private Client Research

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June Ending (Rs m	n) FY06A	FY07E	FY08E*	FY09E*
Sales	26450.8	40412.0	49407.2	57957.5
Growth %	59.3	52.8	22.3	17.3
EBITDA	5105.4	7529.4	9636.7	11928.8
EBITDA margin %	19.3	18.6	19.5	20.6
Net Profit	2564.4	3166.4	4580.7	6120.8
EPS (Rs)	24.5	22.8	28.1	37.5
CEPS (Rs)	35.3	36.1	41.5	53.0
ROE %	24.0	16.8	14.4	14.7
ROCE %	13.7	15.0	18.6	21.4
EV/Sales (x)	1.8	1.2	0.9	0.7
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.6	6.6	4.7	3.5
P/E (x)	14.3	15.4	12.5	9.4
P/CEPS (x)	9.9	9.7	8.4	6.6
P/BV (x)	2.6	2.1	1.5	1.3

Source:Company Emkay Private Client Research / * On Fully Diluted Equity

Shareholding pattern (30 Sept., 06)



Source:Company Emkay Private Client Research

One-year performance (Rel to sensex)



Source: Capitaline

Amtek Auto Ltd.

Price: 351 Target Price: 510

Amtek Auto Ltd (AAL) India's second largest forgings player is a compelling growth and value play within the domestic auto component sector. AAL's net sales have grown at a CAGR of 42% and net profit at a CAGR of 75% during the last 5 years on a standalone basis. AAL along with its subsidiaries Ahmednagar Forgings, GWK-UK, Smith Jones, Benda Amtek, Amtek Siccardi and Zelter, is targeting revenues of nearly US \$1bn by F2008.

We expect AAL's exports to grow at a CAGR of 42% over the next 3 years (FY06A-FY09E). We expect AAL will continue to report strong performance in both domestic as well as in export markets by virtue of its strong business relationships with global OEMS like Ford, BMW, Hyundai, CNH Global, Detriot Diesel, Scania, Delco Machining, Land Rover, Cummins US, Renault, Perkins etc. We estimate AAL to record a 33% CAGR in net profits on a consolidated basis over the next three years (FY06A-FY09E) and achieve a healthy ROCE of 15% and 19% in FY07E and FY078E respectively. We believe that the present valuations of 13x FY08E earnings, and EV/EBITA of 5x are attractive. BUY.

Strong domestic auto growth to drive the domestic sales

AAL is a Tier I supplier of auto components to major automobile majors like Maruti, Hyundai, M&M, Ford, Tata Motors, General Motors, Hero Honda, Bajaj Auto, HMSI (Honda Motorcycles and Scooters India) and many others. AAL earns largest part of revenue from passenger car segment (72% of total revenue) followed by commercial vehicles (CVs) which we believe would grow at a CAGR of 12-15% for the next 3-4 years. AAL is one of the few sizeable players in the domestic market which has a presence in both castings as well as forgings. AAL enjoys very strong relationships with its customers which along with its engineering and delivery capabilities would help it deliver strong net domestic revenue growth of 22% CAGR (standalone basis) for the next three years (FY06-FY09E).

Exports would continue to remain the key growth driver

In the international market AAL supplies its auto component products to global OEMs like Ford, BMW, Hyundai, CNH Global, Detriot Diesel, Scania, Delco Machining, Land Rover, Cummins US, Renault, Perkins etc. AAL has nurtured very good relationship with these global OEMs and with the acquisition of subsidiaries, like GWK-UK, Smith Jones, Benda Amtek, Amtek Siccardi and Zelter, it is in an advantageous position to encash the outsourcing opportunity available to Indian auto components manufacturers.

AAL is also setting up an aluminium foundry near Pune which will have an installed capacity of 20,000MT p.a. AAL bought these assets at GBP 6mn and we expect it to export around 75% of its output. We estimate AAL to report export revenue growth at a CAGR of 43% on a standalone basis totaling Rs7.8bn in FY09E and the export revenue contribution to total revenue at a consolidated basis to go up to 81% by FY09E from 70% in FY05 mainly because of higher contribution by its subsidiaries based in USA and Europe.

Strong improvement in performance on a consolidated basis

After the acquisition of auto components companies in domestic and overseas market, AAL is in the process of integration of their operations with itself. Due

to operational efficiencies and increase in turnover of its subsidiaries we estimate AAL's EBITDA margins to improve by 128bps to 20.6% in FY09E from 19.3% in FY06A. We also estimate AAL to improve its asset turnover ratios from a level of 1.2x in FY06A to 2.2x in FY09E mainly because of strong net revenue growth both on a standalone basis and taking the subsidiary performances on a consolidated basis. AAL is expected to improve ROCE to 18.5% in FY08E and 21.4% in FY09E from 13.7% in FY06A. With the better utilization of cash balances, we expect AAL to improve on ROCE front in the future.

Strong possibility of further inorganic growth

AAL has already acquired six companies, Ahmednagar Forgings, Smith Jones, Benda Amtek, Amtek Siccardi, GWK and Zelter, in domestic and overseas market at attractive valuations. AAL has financed its acquisition mainly through raising debts and equity dilution. What is important to note is all these acquisitions were made at attractive valuations ensuring higher returns and relatively low pay back time for AAL.

Currently, AAL is sitting on a cash chest of Rs14.9bn (Rs107 per share) which we expect would be utilized for further inorganic growth and expansion opportunities which could give a further boost to the revenue and profitability of the company in the near future.

Along with this we also expect a possibility that AAL would merge Amtek India, a group company which has strong presence in castings with itself; this further would enhance its existing product portfolio and would give access to new customer base and markets. We have not factored these opportunities in our financial estimates, which could boost up our earnings growth and would also impact our ROCE estimates positively.

Alternatively in our recent discussions with the AAL management team, we believe that going ahead the management is also seriously considering increasing promoters equity holding in the near future within the standalone AAL entity to enhance shareholder value.

Risks & Concerns

Any significant downturn in the domestic auto market especially passenger cars and commercial vehicles could impact AAL's earnings negatively.

Any slowdown in integration process between itself and subsidiaries could impact AAL's consolidated earnings.

Valuation

The AAL stock trades at a P/E of 15x on FY07E & 13x on FY08E and at EV/EBITDA of 7x on FY07E & 5x on FY08E which offers compelling value and growth play. We expect AAL to cross \$1bn target in FY08E, which would position the company in the big league.

At current valuations the AAL stock trades at a discount of 40% (P/E of 13x as on FY08E) relative to Bharat Forge which trades at a P/E of 22x as in FY08E. With an EPS CAGR growth of 15% (adjusted for equity dilution) over FY06A-FY09E and extremely attractive valuations of 7x and 5x on EV/EBITDA for FY07E and FY08E respectively, makes us initiate a BUY on the stock with a target price of Rs510 based on DCF approach.

At our target price the stock will be valued at a target EV/EBIDTA multiple of 10x and 7x on FY07E and FY078E and 14x and 12x CEPS for FY07E and FY08E respectively.

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