Jagran Prakashan (JPL) delivered strong growth as expected - top-line grew by 26\%YoY, led by advertisement growth of 31\%YoY to Rs1.95bn (in line with our estimate) and circulation revenue growth of $7.2 \% \mathrm{YoY}$ to Rs570mn. Event and outdoor business grew by $20 \%$ YoY ( $10 \%$ of total sales).

## Strong ad growth of 31\% in line with the estimate

With shift of festive season in Q3FY11 Ad revenue grew remarkably $31 \%$ YoY (in line with its peers) to Rs1.95bn - both on the volume front and improved yields during festive season. Circulation (copies) increased by 10\%YoY however decrease in cover prices capped the circulation revenue growth at 7\%YoY and 4\% QoQ to Rs570mn.

## Positive traction from other businesses

Event and outdoor business grew by 20\%YoY to Rs252mn - Event business showed growth of $30 \% \mathrm{YoY}$ with PBT of Rs14mn (as against loss of Rs3.6mn), Outdoor business also delivered positive PBT of Rs9.8mn (against a loss of Rs1.5mn). Digital revenue in Q3FY11 grew to Rs22.5mn. Post acquisition of Mid-Day by JPL, Mid-Day Mumbai circulation has improved by 8\%.

## Enhanced operating margins and improved profitability

Despite $21 \%$ increase in total expenditure (where in the newsprint cost increased 28\%YoY), Operating profit grew 38\%YoY to Rs897mn and OPM surged from $28.8 \%$ in Q3FY10 to $31.4 \%$, owing to robust growth from advertisement revenue. On account of high newsprint prices and increased circulation copies we estimate OPM of $\sim 32 \%$ for FY11E and FY12E. Even with increase in interest cost and lower other income, PAT grew by $33 \%$ to Rs526mn resulting in an increase in NPM to 18.5\% from 17.5\% in Q3FY10.

## OUTLOOK AND VALUATIONS

We believe JPL is well poised to capture the growth opportunity in its markets and across the business segments. Considering its numero uno position in readership (54.7mn total readership), leadership in the largest print ad market - UP and positive traction from other media verticals, we expect the company to post revenue and PAT growth of 20\% and 22\% 2Yr CAGR (FY10-12E) respectively. At the CMP, the stock trades at 15xFY12E EPS. We maintain 'BUY' recommendation on the stock with a target price of Rs165 (20xFY12E EPS).

| KEY FINANCIALS |  |  |  | Rs mn |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | FY08 | FY09 | FY10 | FY11E | FY12E |
| Net Sales | 7,496 | 8,234 | 9,419 | 11,422 | 13,643 |
| YoY Gr. (\%) | 25.3 | 9.8 | 14.4 | 21.3 | 19.4 |
| Op. Profit | 1,640 | 1,567 | 2,823 | 3,685 | 4,342 |
| Op. Margin (\%) | 21.9 | 19.0 | 30.0 | 32.3 | 31.8 |
| Adj. Net Profit | 983 | 916 | 1,759 | 2,254 | 2,608 |
| YoY Gr. (\%) | 33.7 | $(6.8)$ | 91.9 | 28.2 | 15.7 |
| KEY RATIOS |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dil. EPS (Rs) | 3.3 | 3.0 | 5.8 | 7.1 | 8.2 |
| ROCE (\%) | 22.6 | 18.7 | 33.6 | 34.2 | 32.2 |
| ROE (\%) | 18.2 | 16.4 | 28.7 | 27.5 | 24.7 |
| PER (x) | 37.7 | 40.4 | 21.1 | 17.3 | 14.9 |
| EV/Sales (x) | 5.0 | 4.6 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 2.7 |
| Ev/EBDITA $(\mathrm{x})$ | 22.8 | 24.0 | 13.3 | 10.4 | 8.6 |

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QUARTERLY SNAPSHOT
(Rs mn)

|  | Quarter Ended |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Jun-10 | Sep-10 | Dec-10 |
| Net Sales | 2,698 | 2,769 | 2,860 |
| YoY Gr. (\%) | 16.4 | 12.2 | 26.1 |
| Op. Profits | 902 | 908 | 897 |
| OPM (\%) | 33.4 | 32.8 | 31.4 |
| Adj. Net Profit | 556 | 555 | 526 |
| YoY Gr. (\%) | 12.3 | 10.4 | 32.5 |

## STOCK DATA

| Market Cap | Rs37bn. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Book Value per share | Rs20.3 |
| Eq Shares O/S (F.V. Rs2) | 301 mn. |
| Free Float | $45 \%$ |
| Avg Traded Value (6 mnths) | Rs 51mn |
| 52 week High/Low | Rs148/104 |
| Bloomberg Code | JAGP IN |
| Reuters Code | JAGP.BO |

PERFORMANCE (\%)

|  | $\mathbf{1 M}$ | $\mathbf{3 M}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 M}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Absolute | $(6.7)$ | $(4.8)$ | 0.1 |
| Relative | 6.2 | 7.5 | $(9.2)$ |

RELATIVE PERFORMANCE


## Conference call highlights:

- Total circulation of JPL: Dainik Jagran is $3.1 \mathrm{mn} /$ daily, I-Next is $0.3 \mathrm{mn} /$ daily and Cityplus (weekly) is $0.5 \mathrm{mn} /$ week.
- The company intends to further increase its circulation copies by $10 \%$ in FY12 in response to stiff competition and maintain/increase the readership base.
- JPL is confident of $20 \%$ growth in ad revenues in FY12 - equally both from volume and pricing. Management has also indicated additional advertisement revenue of Rs4050mn expected from cricket world cup commencing from 19 February, 2011.
- Newsprint prices expected to increase 7\% YoY for FY12.
- Mid-Day numbers will get consolidated from Q4FY11.


## Exhibit 1: Result Table

| Rs mn. | Q3FY11 | Q3FY10 | YoY(\%) | Q2FY11 | QoQ(\%) | 9MFY11 | 9MFY10 | YoY(\%) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Ad | 1,945 | 1,482 | 31.3 | 1,935 | 0.5 | 5,777 | 4,807 | 20.2 |
| Circulation | 570 | 532 | 7.2 | 548 | 4.0 | 1,671 | 1,620 | 3.2 |
| Other operating | 345 | 255 | 35.1 | 286 | 20.8 | 878 | 629 | 39.6 |
| Total Sales | 2,860 | 2,269 | 26.1 | 2,769 | 3.3 | 8,327 | 7,056 | 18.0 |
| Raw Material | 863 | 674 | 28.2 | 801 | 7.7 | 2,421 | 2,058 | 17.6 |
| RM/Rev. (\%) | 30.2 | 29.7 |  | 28.9 |  | 29.1 | 29.2 |  |
| Total Expenditure | 1,963 | 1,616 | 21.4 | 1,860 | 5.5 | 5,619 | 4,866 | 15.5 |
| EBITDA | 897 | 653 | 37.5 | 908 | $(1.2)$ | 2,708 | 2,190 | 23.6 |
| EBITDA Margins (\%) | 31.4 | 28.8 |  | 32.8 |  | 32.5 | 31.0 |  |
| Other Income | 55 | 70 | $(20.5)$ | 64 | $(13.5)$ | 177 | 277 | $(36.1)$ |
| Interest | 21 | 13 | 55.5 | 14 | 49.2 | 47 | 42 | 12.8 |
| Depreciation | 146 | 119 | 22.9 | 133 | 10.2 | 404 | 373 | 8.4 |
| PBT | 786 | 590 | 33.2 | 826 | $(4.8)$ | 2,433 | 2,052 | 18.6 |
| Tax | 259 | 193 | 34.6 | 271 | $(4.2)$ | 796 | 657 | 21.1 |
| PAT | 526 | 397 | 32.5 | 555 | $(5.2)$ | 1,637 | 1,395 | 17.4 |
| EPS | 1.75 | 1.32 | 32.7 | 1.84 | $(5.0)$ | 5.44 | 4.63 | 17.5 |

Source: Company, PINC Research

## Exhibit 2: Ad revenue trend



Source: Company, PINC Research

## Exhibit 3: Circulation revenue trend



Source: Company, PINC Research

## Exhibit 4: Net sales trend



Source: Company, PINC Research


Source: Company, PINC Research

## Exhibit 7: Profitability trend



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| Income Statement | FY08 | FY09 | FY10 | FY11E | FY12E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net sales | 7,496 | 8,234 | 9,419 | 11,422 | 13,643 |
| Growth (\%) | 25.3 | 9.8 | 14.4 | 21.3 | 19.4 |
| Gross profit | 3,865 | 3,990 | 5,470 | 6,554 | 7,559 |
| Other operating charges | 2,225 | 2,423 | 2,648 | 2,869 | 3,217 |
| EBITDA | 1,640 | 1,567 | 2,823 | 3,685 | 4,342 |
| Growth (\%) | 36.9 | (4.4) | 80.1 | 30.6 | 17.8 |
| Depreciation | 336 | 383 | 507 | 519 | 600 |
| Other income | 215 | 227 | 343 | 249 | 249 |
| EBIT | 1,519 | 1,411 | 2,658 | 3,416 | 3,992 |
| Interest paid | 60 | 59 | 66 | 56 | 70 |
| PBT (before Elo items) | 1,459 | 1,352 | 2,592 | 3,360 | 3,922 |
| Tax Provision | 476 | 436 | 833 | 1,106 | 1,314 |
| E/o loss / (Income) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net profit | 983 | 916 | 1,759 | 2,254 | 2,608 |
| Adj. net profit (Incl. MI) | 983 | 916 | 1,759 | 2,254 | 2,608 |
| Growth (\%) | 33.7 | (6.8) | 91.9 | 28.2 | 15.7 |
| Diluted EPS (Rs) | 3.3 | 3.0 | 5.8 | 7.1 | 8.2 |
| Diluted EPS Growth (\%) | 33.7 | (6.8) | 91.9 | 22.1 | 15.7 |


| Balance Sheet | FY08 | FY09 | FY10 | FY11E | FY12E |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Equity Share capital | 602 | 602 | 602 | 632 | 632 |
| Reserves \& surplus | 4,785 | 4,997 | 5,523 | 7,566 | 9,933 |
| Shareholders' funds | $\mathbf{5 , 3 8 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 , 5 9 9}$ | $\mathbf{6 , 1 2 5}$ | $\mathbf{8 , 1 9 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 , 5 6 5}$ |
| Minorities interests | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total Debt | 791 | 1,415 | 1,214 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Capital Employed | $\mathbf{6 , 1 7 8}$ | $\mathbf{7 , 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{7 , 3 3 9}$ | 9,198 | $\mathbf{1 1 , 5 6 5}$ |
| Net fixed assets | 3,046 | 3,990 | 3,941 | 4,722 | 5,622 |
| Net Other Current Assets | 1,462 | 1,149 | 1,460 | 1,892 | 2,166 |
| Cash \& Cash Eq. | 367 | 828 | 852 | 1,569 | 2,531 |
| Investments | 1,833 | 1,568 | 1,666 | 1,816 | 2,066 |
| Net Deferred Tax Assets | $(531)$ | $(521)$ | $(580)$ | $(801)$ | $(820)$ |
| Total assets | $\mathbf{6 , 1 7 7}$ | $\mathbf{7 , 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{7 , 3 3 9}$ | $\mathbf{9 , 1 9 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 , 5 6 5}$ |


| Key Ratios | FY08 | FY09 | FY10 | FY11E | FY12E |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| OPM (\%) | 21.9 | 19.0 | 30.0 | 32.3 | 31.8 |
| Net margin (\%) | 12.7 | 10.8 | 18.0 | 19.3 | 18.8 |
| Yield (\%) | 1.6 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 3.1 | 3.4 |
| Net debt/Equity (x) | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.06 | $(0.07)$ | $(0.14)$ |
| Net Working Capital (days) | 89 | 88 | 90 | 111 | 126 |
| Asset turnover (x) | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 |
| ROCE (\%) | 22.6 | 18.7 | 33.6 | 34.2 | 32.2 |
| RoE (\%) | 18.2 | 16.4 | 28.7 | 27.5 | 24.7 |
| EV/Net sales (x) | 5.0 | 4.6 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 2.7 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 22.8 | 24.0 | 13.3 | 10.4 | 8.6 |
| PER (x) | 37.7 | 40.4 | 21.1 | 17.3 | 14.9 |
| Price/Book (x) | 7 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 |



| Cash Flow Statement | FY08 | FY09 | FY10 | FY11E | FY12E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pre-tax profit | 1,457 | 1,352 | 2,592 | 3,360 | 3,922 |
| Depreciation | 336 | 383 | 507 | 519 | 600 |
| Total tax paid | (420) | (413) | (749) | $(1,106)$ | $(1,314)$ |
| Chg in working capital | (354) | (125) | (259) | (432) | (274) |
| Other operating activities | 159 | 59 | 22 | 56 | 70 |
| Cash flow from oper. (a) | 1,178 | 1,257 | 2,113 | 2,397 | 3,004 |
| Capital expenditure | (730) | $(1,319)$ | (454) | $(1,300)$ | $(1,500)$ |
| Chg in investments | (340) | 378 | 22 | (150) | (250) |
| Other investing activities | 159 | 34 | 45 | - |  |
| Cash flow from inv. (b) | (911) | (907) | (387) | $(1,450)$ | $(1,750)$ |
| Free cash flow (a+b) | 268 | 349 | 1,726 | 947 | 1,254 |
| Equity raised/(repaid) | - |  | - |  |  |
| Debt raised/(repaid) | (271) | 580 | (129) | (214) |  |
| Change in Minorities Interest | - |  | - | - |  |
| Dividend (incl. tax) | (352) | (352) | $(1,409)$ | $(1,405)$ | $(1,553)$ |
| Other financing activities | (60) | 56 | (55) | (56) | (70) |
| Cash flow from fin. (c) | (683) | 284 | $(1,593)$ | $(1,645)$ | $(1,623)$ |
| Net chg in cash (a+b+c) | (416) | 633 | 133 | (698) | (369) |

## Median PE v/s Daily PE


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