

Q2FY08 Result Review



Key dataSectorSteel PipesMarket CapRs16bn / US\$0.4bn52 Wk H/L (Rs)409/182Avg. daily vol. (6 month)120,432BSE Code526801

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NSE Code PSL

Bloomberg PSLL IN

Reuters PSLH.BO

 Sensex
 18,493

 Nifty
 5,474

Shareholding pattern (%)

	30-Jun-07	30-Sep-07
FIIs NRI, Adr/GDR	21.6	23.7
MFs and institutions	2.6	9.9
Promoters	60.2	48.9
Others	15.7	17.6

Absolute returns (%)								
	1mth	3mth	12mth					
PSL	5.7	5.1	89.2					
Sensex	11.6	17.5	46.5					
BSE Metals	20.1	25.1	72.5					

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Accumulate Current Price: Rs390 Target price: Rs490

Results are below our estimates.

Figure 1: Actual Vs Religare Estimates

	Q2FY08A	Q2FY08E	Difference (%)
Net sales	4,965	5,000	(0.7)
EBITDA	499	525	(4.9)
EBITDA margins (%)	10.1	10.5	-44bps
PAT	191	242	(21.0)
PAT margins (%)	3.9	4.8	-99bps

Source: Religare Institutional Research

Financial highlights

- Net sales have risen by 60.9% YoY to Rs5.0bn, driven by 50% YoY growth in pipes volume which increased to 66,646 MT as against 44,443 MT in Q2FY07. Growth during the quarter has been higher because of an increase in average realization.
- **EBITDA** grew by 43.8% YoY to Rs499mn. EBITDA margins have declined by 119bps to 10.1%. Production in H1FY08 was 160,532 MT, whereas sale was at 123,288 MT. Few cost elements on the excess production have been booked in H1FY08 which has resulted in lower EBITDA margins.
- Adjusted PAT has risen by 41.5% YoY to Rs191mn. Adj PAT margins declined by 49bps YoY to 3.8%. Interest costs for the quarter increased by 58% YoY to Rs162mn because of higher working capital requirement to fund the inventory buildup.

Valuations and Recommendation

PSL currently trades at 11.2x and 8.0x 12-month and 24-month forward diluted earnings respectively. We revise our target upward from Rs456 to Rs490 to factor in rolling forward of our earnings. Its robust order book provides strong sales visibility, and margins will rise due to higher capacity utilization. We maintain our **Accumulate**.

Figure 2: Quarterly Perf	formance							(Rs mn)
		FY07			FY08E		FY07	FY08E
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2QA		
Net Sales	3,745	3,086	4,988	4,013	4,101	4,965	15,832	22,954
Change %	(13.7)	35.2	22.2	(14.4)	9.5	60.9	2.9	45.0
EBITDA	3,380	2,739	4,509	3,676	3,695	4,465	14,304	20,428
EBITDA margin (%)	365	347	479	337	406	499	1,528	2,526
Change (%)	9.7	11.2	9.6	8.4	9.9	10.1	9.7	11.0
Depreciation	12.6	5.4	9.6	32.7	11.3	43.8	13.6	65.3
Other Income	106	106	117	111	130	130	439	542
Interest exp/(inc)	22	66	60	103	44	67	251	263
PBT	92	102	134	106	94	162	435	594
PBT margin (%)	189	205	289	222	226	275	904	1,653
PBT growth (%)	5.0	6.5	5.7	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.6	7.1
Extraordinary exp/(Inc)	6.5	74.6	80.5	(8.4)	19.9	34.1	29.8	82.8
Tax	0	0	0	42	0	0	42	0
Effective tax rate (%)	40	70	81	50	55	84	240	476
PAT reported	21.2	34.0	27.9	22.6	24.3	30.4	26.6	28.8
Adjusted PAT *	149	135	208	158	171	191	650	1,177
Adj PAT margin (%)	4.0	4.4	4.2	3.9	4.2	3.9	4.1	5.1
Change (%)	23.8	69.8	54.5	(10.3)	15.2	41.5	27.3	81.1
Equity Capital (Rs mn)	320	320	320	341	342	421	341	431
Adj EPS	4.7	4.2	6.5	4.6	5.0	4.5	19.1	27.3

^{*} Excluding extraordinary



Other business highlights

- The current order book at Rs23.5bn is 1.6x FY07 gross sales and will be executed over the next 12-15 months.
- Company's 300,000 MT US plant is expected to be commissioned by Q1FY09.

Figure 3: Table for earnings revision

(Rs mn)	Earlier estimates			Revised estimates			Upgrade/(downgrade) (%)		
	FY08	FY09E	FY10E	FY08	FY09E	FY10E	FY08	FY09E	FY10E
Net Sales	22,954	34,122	43,405	22,954	34,122	43,405	0.0	(0.0)	(0.0)
EBITDA	2,526	3,857.00	4,906.00	2,526	3,857	4,906	(0.0)	0.0	0.0
EBITDA margin (%)	11.0	11.3	11.3	11.0	11.3	11.3	0bps	0bps	0bps
PBT	1,753	2,668	3,435	1,653	2,568	3,383	(5.7)	(3.8)	(1.5)
Adj PAT	1,197	1,838	2,375	1,177	1,819	2,398	(1.7)	(1.0)	0.9
Adj PAT margin (%)	5.2	5.4	5.5	5.1	5.3	5.5	-9bps	-6bps	5bps
Adj EPS (Rs)	32.2	45.5	58.8	30.5	42.2	55.6	-168bps	-338bps	-322bps

Source: Religare Institutional Research

Figure 4: Valuation summary – Steel Pipes

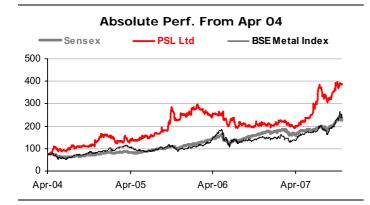
Company	Price	Rating	Target	Mkt Cap	Sales	i	EBITD	Α	Adj PA	\ Τ	Adj EP	s	FY08E	•	FY09E	Ε
	(Da)		Price		Q2FY08A	YoY	Q2FY08A	YoY	Q2FY08A	YoY	Q2FY08A	YoY	Adj EPS	P/E	Adj EPS	P/E
	(Rs)		(Rs)	(Rs mn)	(Rs mn)	(%)	(Rs mn)	(%)	(Rs mn)	(%)	(Rs)	(%)	(Rs)	(x)	(Rs)	(x)
Man Ind	126	Buy	192	6,716	3,804	30.0	457	38.6	188	26.8	7.1	26.8	16.1	7.8	20.0	6.3
Jindal Saw	591	Accumulate	808	28,604	12,993	15.7	1,632	63.5	793	66.6	16.4	67.3	59.9	9.9	89.8	6.6
Maharastra Seamless	500	Buy	800	35,270	4,745	37.0	1,160	26.1	830	33.6	11.8	17.0	48.3	10.4	60.5	8.3
PSL	390	Accumulate	456	16,419	4,965	60.9	499	43.8	191	41.5	4.5	7.4	30.5	12.8	42.2	9.2
Welspun	320	Buy	445	54,848	9,276	37.5	1,533	92.8	825	146.3	4.8	92.0	19.0	16.9	31.0	10.3

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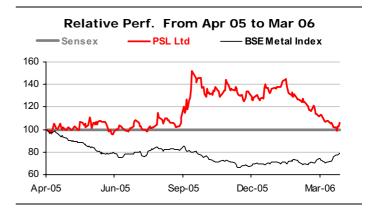
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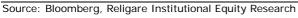




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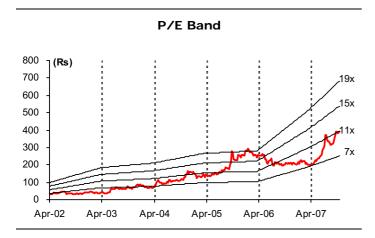


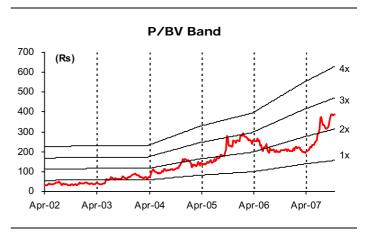


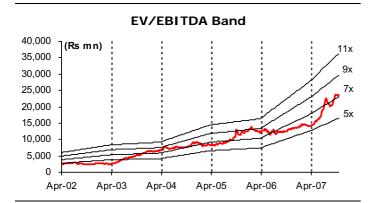


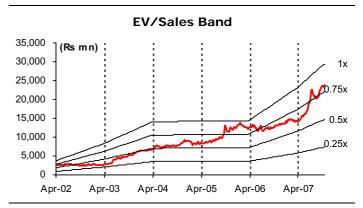
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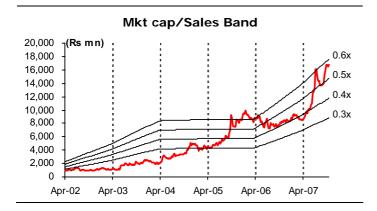
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(Rs mn)

16,456

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Income state	ment			((Rs mn)
Y/E, 31st March	FY06	FY07	FY08E	FY09E	FY10E
Net sales	14,332	14,282	22,954	34,122	43,405
EBITDA	1,317	1,485	2,526	3,857	4,906
EBITDA margin (%)	9.2	10.4	11.0	11.3	11.3
Depreciation	339	439	542	738	886
EBIT	978	1,046	1,984	3,119	4,020
Other income	176	251	263	277	290
Interest Exp/(Inc)	485	435	594	827	927
PBT (Operating)	669	862	1,653	2,568	3,383
PBT margin (%)	4.7	6.0	7.2	7.5	7.8
Extra ord (inc)/exp	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Taxes	177	240	476	749	986
PAT(Reported)	492	622	1,177	1,819	2,398
Less: Extra ordinary income / Others	0	(28)	0	0	0
Adj PAT	492	650	1,177	1,819	2,398
Adj PAT margin (%)	3.4	4.6	5.1	5.3	5.5

Quarterly - Financials

(De	mn)

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(Rs mn)	Q2FY07	Q3FY07	Q4FY07	Q1FY08	Q2FY08
Net sales	3,086	4,988	4,013	4,101	4,965
Changes (%)	35.2	22.2	(14.4)	9.5	60.9
EBITDA	347	479	337	406	499
Changes (%)	5.4	9.6	32.7	11.3	43.8
Margin (%)	11.2	9.6	8.4	9.9	10.1
PAT	135	208	130	171	191
PAT adj	135	208	158	171	191
Changes (%)	69.8	54.5	(10.3)	15.2	41.5
Margin (%)	4.3	4.1	3.8	4.1	3.8
EPS adj (Rs)	4.2	6.5	4.6	5.0	4.5
EPS dil (Rs)	3.1	4.8	3.7	4.0	4.4

Ratios

Ratios					
Y/E, 31st March	FY06	FY07	FY08E	FY09E	FY10E
Growth					
Net sales (%)	2.7	(0.4)	60.7	48.7	27.2
EBITDA (%)	56.8	12.8	70.0	52.7	27.2
PAT adjusted (%)	53.7	32.2	81.0	54.6	31.8
EPS adjusted (%)	46.0	21.9	54.8	38.3	31.8
EPS diluted (%)	27.1	9.8	76.6	54.6	31.8
Valuations					
P/E (x)	27.7	25.2	14.3	9.2	7.0
P/BV (x)	4.7	4.0	2.8	2.3	1.8
EV/EBITDA (x)	13.8	12.7	8.9	6.4	4.9
EV/Sales (x)	1.3	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.5
Profitability					
EBITDA margin (%)	9.2	10.4	11.0	11.3	11.3
Adj PAT margin (%)	3.4	4.6	5.1	5.3	5.5
RoE (%)	16.4	13.8	21.4	27.3	28.6
RoCE (%)	13.1	13.3	19.1	22.7	24.4
RoIC (%)*	9.8	8.8	13.8	16.4	18.0
B/S ratios					
Inventory days	170.2	213.0	190.0	160.0	160.0
Creditor days	118.4	127.6	120.0	120.0	120.0
Debtor days	92.9	81.4	90.0	90.0	90.0
Working Capital days	130.8	139.9	102.0	105.1	104.8
Net debt/equity	0.9	0.8	0.9	1.1	0.7

^{*} ROIC is calculated on post tax basis.

Y/E, 31st March FY06 FY07 FY08E FY09E FY10E Liabilities Equity share capital 320 341 431 431 431 2,305 8,947 Total Res. & Surplus 3,021 5,513 6,953 Total Shareholders' fund 2,625 3,362 5,944 7,385 9,379 Convertible Debt 1,701 1,709 0 0 0 Others Debt 5,110 4,989 7,524 9,024 9,524

Total Loans	6,810	6,698	7,524	9,024	9,524
Deferred tax liability (net)	32	7	27	47	67
Total liabilities	9,467	10,066	13,495	16,456	18,969
Assets					
Net fixed assets & others	3,382	3,873	4,332	6,593	6,357
Capital WIP & others	146	743	200	250	251
Total non-current assets	3,528	4,617	4,532	6,843	6,608
Total investments - non current	90	531	531	531	531

rotal non-current assets	3,320	4,017	4,532	0,043	0,000
Total investments - non current	90	531	531	531	531
Current assets					
Inventories	5,195	6,219	8,184	10,245	13,033
Sundry debtors	4,200	2,173	5,660	8,414	10,703
Cash & cash equivalents	1,156	1,145	1,878	1,099	2,541
Cash	1,132	1,121	1,854	1,075	2,517
Liquid investments	24	24	24	24	24
Other current assets	1,146	1,120	1,377	1,365	1,302
Total current assets	11,698	10,657	17,100	21,122	27,578
Total current liabilities	5,512	5,146	8,038	11,096	14,549
Total provisions	337	594	630	946	1,200
Net current assets	5,849	4,918	8,432	9,081	11,829
Misc. expenditure	0	0	0	0	0

Cash flow

Total assets

Balance sheet

Y/E, 31st March	FY06	FY07	FY08E	FY09E	FY10E
Cash from operations					
PBT	669	862	1,653	2,568	3,383
Tax paid	(100)	(144)	(500)	(456)	(729)
Dep & amortization	339	439	542	738	886
Working capital changes	(1,264)	663	(2,817)	(1,744)	(1,560)
Others	(9)	(0)	0	0	1
Net cash from operations	(365)	1,820	(1,122)	1,106	1,982
Cash from investments					
Capital expenditure	(1,106)	(1,528)	(457)	(3,050)	(650)
Sale/purchase of inv & others	2	(298)	0	0	0
Net cash from investments	(1,105)	(1,826)	(457)	(3,050)	(650)
Cash from financing					
Issue of shares & share premium	698	435	1,709	0	0
Dividend paid	(150)	(185)	(223)	(335)	(389)
Debt change	318	(254)	827	1,500	500
Others	0	0	0	0	0
Net cash from finanacing	866	(5)	2,312	1,165	111
Net change in cash	(604)	(11)	733	(780)	1,442

Per share data

Y/E, 31st March	FY06	FY07	FY08E	FY09E	FY10E
EPS adjusted	16.2	19.7	30.5	42.2	55.6
EPS diluted - wtd	14.1	15.5	27.3	42.2	55.6
CEPS	26.0	31.2	39.8	59.3	76.1
Book value	82.1	98.7	137.8	171.2	217.4
Dividend	5.0	5.0	6.0	7.5	8.0
O/s shsactual (mn)	32.0	34.1	43.1	43.1	43.1
O/s shsdiluted (mn)	41.0	43.1	43.1	43.1	43.1
O/s shs wtd / diluted (mn)	35.0	42.1	43.1	43.1	43.1



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