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BUY

Price	Target Price
Rs487	Rs660

Sensex -	14,296
Octioex -	17,230

Price Performance

(%)	1M	3M	6M	12M		
Absolute	13	39	36	(21)		
Rel. to Sensex	(8)	(12)	(13)	(5)		

Source: Bloomberg

Stock Details

Sector	Pharmaceuticals
Reuters	IPCA.BO
Bloomberg	IPCA@IN
Equity Capital (Rs mn)	252
Face Value (Rs)	10
No of shares o/s (mn)	25
52 Week H/L (Rs)	624/285
Market Cap (Rs bn /USD	mn) 12/285
Daily Avg Vol (No of share	res) 19673
Daily Avg Turnover (US\$	mn) 0.1

Shareholding Pattern (%)

31	/03/09	31/12/08	30/9/08
Promoters	46.4	46.0	46.1
FII/NRI	1.2	0.8	0.8
Institutions	35.4	37.5	37.1
Private Corp.	5.0	4.1	4.7
Public	12.1	11.7	11.4

Source: Capitaline

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Ipca Laboratories Ltd

Consistent performance, PAT impacted by Fx losses

lpca's focus on building brands through concentrating on branded formulation business has resulted steady growth in revenues and expansion in operating margins. Company has been consistently outpacing the industry growth in domestic formulation segment driven by increased focus on high growth life style segment. In Q4FY09, revenues grew by 29% to Rs3.1bn on the back of a) 38% growth in export formulation business, & b) 34% growth in domestic formulation business. On the operating front, the company reported a growth of 63% to Rs 533mn in Q4FY09, driven by a) 140 bps reduction in raw material cost & b) 300bps reduction in other expenses. Higher interest cost (up by 71%), tax out go (26.8% vs. 8.5% in Q4FY08) and MTM losses of Rs154mn, the company reported a decline of 65% in the bottom line to Rs 79mn. However adjusting to Forex loss of Rs 154mn and Rs 102mn for provision for investment/ loan in subsidiary, the APAT grew by 30% to Rs 296mn. For FY09, revenue was up by 22% to Rs 12.8bn and APAT was up by 64% to Rs1655mn. At CMP of Rs487, the stock is trading at 6.2x FY10E earnings. We upgrade our price target from Rs637 to Rs660 (8x one year forward rolling EPS of Rs82.5). We reiterate our BUY rating.

Branded formulation continue to grow at robust pace

Ipca's focus on high margin branded formulation segment continued to drive revenue and margin growth for the company. Though the tender business for FY09 declined significantly from Rs 470mn to Rs 79mn, the overall domestic formulation business grew on the back of significant growth from lifestyle segments like CVS, CNS and Pain management. For FY09 the branded formulation business in export markets and domestic market grew by 49% and 24% respectively. The contribution of high margin branded formulation business in India and other semi -regulated market has increased to 51% in FY08 from 48% of sales in FY09. Management has given a guidance of 18-20% growth in the topline in FY10E.

Segment wise revenue break-up

	Q4FY09	Q4FY08	Y-o-Y Gr.(%)	FY09	FY08	Y-o-Y Gr.(%)
Domestic	1257	1038	21.0%	5952	5070	17.4%
Formulation	940	703	34%	4803	3850	24%
Tender	-	120	-	79	470	
API	317	297	7%	1070	750	43%
Exports	1929	1474	30.9%	6800	5364	26.8%
Formulation	1300	940	38.3%	4370	3421	27.8%
API	629	534	17.9%	2430	1943	25.1%
	3186	2512	26.8%	12752	10434	22.2%

EBIDTA margins expanded by 420bps for FY09

Operating margins during the year expanded by 420bps to 20% on the back of 460 bps reduction in raw material cost. The reduction in raw material cost was mainly because of improved product mix and softening of solvent prices driven by reduction in crude oil prices. Going forward we expect, company to maintain similar operating margins.

Adjustment of Forex loss & Provisions

During the year, the company has reported a MTM loss of Rs 756.9mn out of which Rs 495 mn was on account of realized losses on forward contracts and Rs 262mn on account of MTM losses on forward contracts, maturing in next 6 months. The company has transferred Rs305mn in the 'Foreign Currency Hedging Reserve' account as MTM losses for the contracts which are maturing beyond 6 months. This amount will be charged to P&L account when this contracts will materialized depending upon the currency movement. Company has sold forward contracts worth \$80mn at Rs47.5/USD, which is 43% of the projected export sales in FY10E. The company has also made a provision of Rs 101.9mn for investment/ loan in Brazilian subsidiary.

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APAT grew by 64% for FY09

Higher interest cost (up by 56%) coupled with forex loss resulted in a 26% decline in RPAT to Rs 1008mn. However adjusting to Forex loss/gain, the APAT grew by 64% to Rs 1655mn (Rs 1010mn in FY08). During the quarter, total debt has increased from Rs3.5bn to Rs4.5bn, out of which foreign currency loan is US\$ 25mn. The average debt cost is around 6.25- 6.5%.

Revised Table

On the back of strong growth in branded formulation business and improved performance of APIs segment, we are revising our revenue estimates for FY10E and FY11E upwards by 6% and 7% respectively. However because of appreciation in Rupees, higher R&D expenses and increased SG&A cost, we have moderated our operating margins by 160 bps and 180 bps for FY10E and FY11E respectively. Our earning estimate remain unchanged because of impact of higher revenue growth will be negated by contraction in operating margins.

	FY10E	FY11E
Revenue (Rs mn)		
Old Estimate	14332	16244
New Estimate	15129	17414
% Change	6%	7%
EBIDTA Margins		
Old Estimate	21.9	22.1
New Estimate	20.3	20.3
% Change	-160 bps	-180 bps
PAT		
Old Estimate	1998	2358.2
New Estimate	1971	2360
% Change	-1%	0%
EPS (Rs)		
Old Estimate	79.7	94
New Estimate	78.6	94.1
% Change	-1%	0%

Outlook and Valuation

Ipca's focus on branded formulation business has resulted 20% growth and 420 bps expansion in operating margins in FY09. We believe 20% growth in revenue is more credible because of the fact that during the year company has closed down its low margins intermediary business (contribution of Rs100mn vs. Rs300mn in FY08) and its tender business has come down from Rs470mn in FY08 to Rs79mn in FY09. In the last five years, its formulation business has grown at a CAGR of 25%. We believe this focus has resulted increased contribution from formulation business to 74% with a CAGR growth of 24% over last five years. We expect it to further improve with strategic focus on branded formulations segment, geographical expansions in semi-regulated markets (a 500+ sales people network across multiple semi-regulated markets (excluding India)), new product launches in fast growing life style segments and focus on European and US markets. Going forward, its focus in the US market will become growth driver from FY10E onwards. With strong visibility of an earning growth, 30% ROE, no fears of dilution, we believe that Ipca is an excellent investment opportunity. At CMP of Rs487, the stock is trading at 6.2x FY10E and 5.2x FY11E earnings. We are rolling our target price to one year forward rolling PE and upgrade our target price from Rs637 to Rs660 (8 years average one year forward PE multiple) and reiterate BUY rating. Key risk to our call remains the currency appreciation.

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IPCA LABS Result Update

Income Statement	Standalone				Consolidated					
Y/E.Mar (Rs. m)	Q4FY09	Q4FY08	Y-o-Y Gr.(%)	Q3FY09	Q-o-Q Gr.(%)	FY09	FY08	Y-o-Y Gr.(%)	FY10E	FY10E
Net Sales (incl Operating income)	3171	2460	29%	3133	1%	12838	10513	22%	15129	17414
Expenses	2638	2132	24%	2421	9%	10274	8835	16%	12065	13888
Raw Materials	1345	1079	25%	1183	14%	5073	4639	9%	5931	6826
% of sales	42.4	43.8	-3%	38	12%	39.5	44.1	-10%	39.2	39.2
Employee cost	494	360	37%	434	14%	1882	1470	28%	2254	2595
% of sales	15.6	14.6	6%	14	13%	14.7	14.0	5%	14.9	14.9
Other expenses	798	693	15%	804	-1%	3319	2726	22%	3881	4467
% of sales	25.2	28.2	-11%	26	-2%	25.9	25.9	0%	26	26
EBIDTA (Reported)	533	328	63%	712.2	-25%	2565	1678	53%	3064	3526
EBIDTA %	16.8	13.3	410 bps	22.7	-120 bps	20.0	16.0	420 bps	20.3	20.3
Other income	15	52	-71%	3	369%	95	167	-43%	6	6
Interest	79	46	71%	115	-31%	318	204	56%	276	231
Depreciation	106	85	25%	104	3%	397	325	22%	475	526
PBT	107.9	248.2	-57%	304.9	-65%	1183.2	1752.4	-32%	2319.0	2776.2
Total Tax	28.9	21.0	38%	73.1	-60%	175.2	393.3	-55%	347.9	416.4
Effective tax rate (%)	26.8	8.5	217%	24.0	12%	14.8	22.4	-34%	15.0	15.0
RPAT	79.0	227.2	-65%	231.8	-66%	1008.0	1359.1	-26%	1971.2	2359.7
E/O items	-255.5	-1.0		-192.3		-761.5	436.3		0.0	
Adjusted PAT	296.2	228.0	30%	317.2	-7%	1655.3	1010.1	64%	1971.2	2359.7
Net Margin (%)	9.3	9.3	120 bps	10.1	-290 bps	12.9	9.6	325 bps	13.0	13.6
EPS (diluted)	11.9	9.1	30%	12.7	-7%	66.2	40.4	64%	78.6	94.1

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