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# **RESULTS FIRST LOOK**

JSWE posted an Rs317mn 2QFY12 net loss (vs. our/consensus forecast PAT of Rs202mn/Rs657mn); the earnings miss was driven by lower merchant realizations and unexpected sale on conversion/banking basis resulting in an EBTIDA of Rs1.1bn (56% below our forecast). Analyst meet takeaways: 1) Mgmt upbeat on 2HFY12 profitability on the back of capacity tie-ups, higher utilization and 15-20% expected drop in fuel cost, 2) RWPL operational, but ad-hoc tariffs cover only cash fixed costs, 3) SACMH is still not profitable. Our earnings forecasts and TP are under review; and we maintain our Reduce rating.

Price target: 65.0 INR Price (09 Nov 2011): 49.8 INR

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# Disappointing 2QFY12 performance, but 2HFY12 promises to be better

Earnings vs. our Forecast: BELOW

**Likely Impact:** 

Earnings Estimates: DOWN

Dividend Estimates:
 NO CHANGE

Price Target: DOWN

Long-term View: CONFIRMED

# 3-pt summary of 2QFY12 financials

# JSWE posted disappointing 2QFY12 financials, significantly below expectations

Consolidated EBITDA of Rs1.1bn (56%/66% below our/consensus forecast) translated into a net loss of Rs317mn (vs. our/consensus forecast net profit of Rs202mn/Rs657mn). At Rs1.1bn, the reported net loss was exaggerated by unrealized exchange fluctuation loss of Rs788mn.

## Merchant realization, sale on 'conversion / banking arrangements' were negative surprises

While net generation and fuel cost were in line with our forecasts, generation revenues and EBITDA were significantly lower owing to: 1) merchant realization was Rs3.86/kWh (9% below our forecast of Rs4.25/kWh); 2) 229MUs (9% of net generation) was sold to JSW Steel at Rs1.3/kWh, on a conversion basis (ie, on a variable cost basis); and 3) offtake of 286MUs (11% of net generation) was made under a 'banking arrangement' for which no revenues were booked in the current quarter (cost of generation at Rs4.24/kWh was taken as 'inventory' to be realized in 2HFY12 when the banked power would be available for sale).

### SACMH remains in the red, no fixed cost recovery at RWPL

Although production in SACMH (JSWE's South African coal mining operations) was higher QoQ, operations just about reached break-even at the EBITDA level. As its RWPL facility was not operational owing to the absence of ad-hoc tariffs and transfer price for supply of lignite (by BLMCL to RWPL) by the Rajasthan State Regulator (RERC), there was no fixed cost recovery.

# Exhibit 1: JSWE - 2QFY12: Actual vs. Estimates

JSWE - 2QFY12		Nomura	Actual	Cons.	Actual
(INR m)	Actual	Estimate	vs. Est.	Estimate	vs. Cons.
Sales	9,965	11,078	-10.1%	11,887	-16.2%
EBITDA	1,102	2,517	-56.2%	3,240	-66.0%
Normalized PAT	(317)	202	NM	675	NM
Reported PAT	(1,089)	202	NM	675	NM

Note: Consensus = Bloomberg mean estimates

Exhibit 2: JSW Energy – 2QFY12 Consolidated Earnings Summary

Qtrly Snapshot	2QFY12	2QFY11	YoY	1QFY12	QoQ	2QFY12F	Act
	Sep-11	Sep-10	(%)	Jun-11	(%)	Sep-11	vs Est
Operational Metrics							
Effective Capacity (MW)	2,030	1,095	85.4%	1,905	6.6%	2,030	0.0%
PLF	63.8%	80.6%	-20.8%	62.9%	1.4%	63.9%	-0.1%
Generation (mn kWh)	2,838	1,933	46.8%	2,625	8.1%	2,841	-0.1%
Sales (mn kWh)	2,593	1,782	45.5%	2,422	7.1%	2,622	-1.1%
Merchant tariff (Rs/kWh)	3.86	4.65	-17.0%	4.40	-12.3%	4.25	-9.2%
Realization (Rs/kWh)	3.72	4.34	-14.1%	4.73	-21.3%	4.05	-8.0%
Fuel Cost (Rs/kWh)	2.94	2.60	13.1%	2.92	0.5%	2.95	-0.5%
Key Financials (INR m)							
Revenues	9,965	8,462	17.8%	12,724	-21.7%	11,078	-10.1%
Fuel cost	(7,616)	(4,627)	64.6%	(7,077)	7.6%	(7,737)	-1.6%
O&M expenses	(1,247)	(587)	112.6%	(1,715)	-27.3%	(824)	51.2%
EBITDA	1,102	3,249	-66.1%	3,932	-72.0%	2,517	-56.2%
Margin	11.1%	38.4%	-71.2%	30.9%	-64.2%	22.7%	-51.3%
Depreciation	(1,098)	(551)	99.0%	(1,048)	4.7%	(1,100)	-0.2%
EBIT	5	2,697	-99.8%	2,884	-99.8%	1,417	-99.7%
Interest expense	(1,510)	(942)	60.3%	(1,338)	12.9%	(1,405)	7.5%
Non operating income	708	491	44.1%	220	221.3%	240	195.1%
Profit before tax	(798)	2,246	n/m	1,766	n/m	252	n/m
Tax	481	(408)	n/m	(441)	n/m	(50)	n/m
Normalized PAT	(317)	1,838	n/m	1,326	n/m	202	n/m
Minority Interest	16	8	n/m	-	n/a	-	n/a
Extraordinary Items (Net)	(788)	-	n/a	-	n/a	=	n/a
Reported PAT	(1,089)	1,846	n/m	1,326	n/m	202	n/m

Source: Company data, Nomura estimates

Exhibit 3. JSW Energy – Key Balance Sheet Items (Consolidated)

Key Balance Sheet Items	Mar-10	Sep-10	Mar-11	Sep-11
(INR m)				
Shareholders' Funds	47,802	52,639	56,765	56,720
Loan Funds	78,701	86,336	96,376	98,092
Net Fixed Assets	115,980	124,739	141,295	149,000
Cash & Investments	20,393	16,932	14,620	9,135
Sundry Debtors	2,714	4,160	7,637	8,793
Current Liabilities	17,524	16,065	18,665	22,997
Net Current Assets	(8,727)	(1,445)	(659)	(1,552)

Source: Company data, Nomura research

# Key takeaways from the analyst meet

# Management upbeat on 2HFY12 profitability as capacity, utilization rises, fuel cost reduces

On its outlook for 2HFY12, management stated: 1) Its 2060MW coal-fired capacity and 270MW lignite-fired capacity is now operating at around 100% PLF; 2) Merchant realization is expected at Rs4-4.5/kWh; 3) Units under banking arrangement will be available for sale during November-March; 4) RWPL has resumed operations (ad-hoc tariffs issued by RERC for Units 1-4 cover cash fixed costs, provisional tariffs are awaited) and entire 1080MW capacity is expected to be commissioned (currently 405MW operational) by March 2012, and 5) as seaborne thermal coal prices drift lower, together with a shift in coal mix to 25% high-grade South African coal + 75% low-grade Indonesian coal, fuel costs are expected to be 15-20% lower.

# Short-term PPAs in place for 900MW capacity, 300MW expected to be sold to JSW Ispat Steel

Of its 2060MW coal-fired capacity, besides 300MW supplied under long-term PPA with MSEDCL, JSWE has short-term PPAs for 500MW (with Karnataka up to June 2013), 300MW (up to August 2012) and 100MW (with Kerala). It proposes to sell 300MW to Group firm (JSW Ispat Steel) broadly on a cost-plus basis (approval from Government of Maharashtra is awaited), remaining capacity is untied.

Offtake to remain concentrated in home states, SEBs paying well in time

Management indicated that the bulk of its sales remain concentrated to Maharashtra and Karnataka. As regards payment of dues by SEBs, besides a Rs620mn overdue from Tamil Nadu, all recoveries are mostly within 30 days of the monthly billing.

#### Coal supply from Indonesia – procuring on the spot, but looking at medium-term tie-ups

Management mentioned that it targets a mix of 75% (low-grade INA coal) and 25% (high-grade RSA coal) at both its Ratnagiri and Vijayanagar facilities in 2HFY12 (coal mix was 68% INA and 32% RSA at Ratnagiri and 20% INA and 80% RSA at Vijayanagar), and consequently lower overall fuel cost. While it continues to procure coal on a spot basis, it is looking to medium-term tie-ups as seaborne thermal coal prices are beginning to cool off. JSWE has already floated a tender to secure 1.8MT of coal from Indonesia during Jan-Sep 2012. As regards coal production from SACMH, it would continue to be sold externally and act as a partial a hedge to coal procurement cost for JSWE.

# RWPL - ad-hoc tariffs cover only cash fixed costs, do not realize any RoE

As ad-hoc tariffs for Units1-4 have been approved by RERC, the units are being progressively commissioned (Units1-3 are operational) and will be fired by lignite sourced from the Kapurdi mines. Management stated that at the ad-hoc tariffs, RWPL does not earn any RoE and recovers only 'cash fixed cost', it would look to recover the losses only in its petition for the final tariff orders (ie, after provisional tariffs are determined).

Pending a meeting with management to secure clarity on SACMH, RWPL and offtake to Group firms, our earnings estimates and target price for JSWE remain under review.

Exhibit 4: JSW Energy – Update on Generation Projects

Project	Capacity (MW)	Update
RWPL-I	1080 (8X135)	Unit-3 commissioned on 07-Nov, Unit-4 start-up expected in Dec-11;
		Units 5-8 commissioning scheduled in 4QFY12
RWPL-II	270 (2X135)	'In-principle' consent received from State Government
Ratnagiri-I	1200 (4X300)	Entire 1200 MW operational. FGD for Unit-1 expected in May 2012
Ratnagiri-II	3200 (4X800)	No update
Vijayanagar-III	660 (1X660)	Received ToR. No further progress; project on hold
West Bengal	1620 (1X300 & 2X660)	PPA offering 40% output from Unit II & III signed with WBEDCL
Chhattisgarh	1320 (2X660)	MoEF approval expected; land acquisition to be completed by Dec-11
Kutehr	240 (3X80)	Technical & Commercial bid under evaluation for main civil works
Jharkhand	1620 (1X300 & 2X660)	No update

Source: Company data, Nomura research

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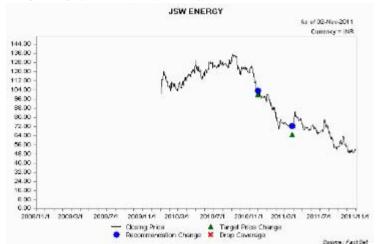
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JSW Energy	JSW IN	49.8 INR	09 Nov 2011	Reduce	

Issuer name	Previous Rating	Date of change
JSW Energy	Neutral	28 Mar 2011

#### JSW Energy (JSW IN)

#### 49.8 INR (09 Nov 2011) Reduce

Rating and target price chart (three year history)



Date	Rating	Target price	Closing price
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