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# **Q3FY25 Result Highlights**

- Revenue increased to ₹10,143mn in Q3FY25 from ₹9,751mn in Q3FY24, reflecting a 4.0% YoY growth.
- EBITDA increased from ₹1,834mn in Q3FY24 to ₹2,062mn in Q3FY25, a 10% YoY growth.
- The EBITDA margin saw expansion to 20% in Q3FY25 from 18.8% in Q3FY24, an increase of 107 basis points YoY.
- Profit After Tax grew 8% YoY, from ₹873mn in Q3FY24 to ₹941mn in Q3FY25.
- Americas and Europe posted strong revenue growth of 7.3% and 8.7% YoY, respectively, while AMESA and EAP saw modest declines of -1.0% YoY.
- ROCE improved by 321 basis points YoY, reaching 16.9% in Q3FY25 compared to 13.7% in Q3FY24.
- The Debt/EQUITY ratio improved from 0.41x in Q2FY25 to 0.34x in Q3FY25, indicating better financial stability sequentialy.
- EPS increased from ₹2.7 in Q3FY24 to ₹2.9 in Q3FY25, reflecting a 8% YoY growth.

## **Important Statistics**

Nifty	22,907
Sensex	75 <b>,</b> 449
LTP*	202.85
MCAP (₹ bn)	64.83
52 Week H/L (₹)	290/170
NSE Code	EPL
BSE Code	500135
Bloomberg Code	ESEL:IN

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Shareholding Pattern (%)	Dec'23	Mar'24	Jun'24	Sep'24	Dec'24
Promoter	51.5	51.5	51.5	51.5	51.5
FII	9.9	10.9	11.4	13.4	14.9
DII	14.5	13.4	11.6	11.2	11.6
Public &Others	24.1	24.2	25.6	23.9	22

#### **Concall KTA Financials**

- The company aims to sustain double-digit revenue growth by expanding into high-growth categories like Beauty & Cosmetics (B&C) and Pharma. Strong demand in Americas and Europe will be leveraged for growth.
- EPL's expansion into Brazil is ongoing, with capacity increases to fulfill rising demand. New greenfield investments in Thailand will boost growth in Southeast Asia. Additionally, EPL is exploring opportunities in Sub-Saharan Africa to establish a foothold in this high-potential market.
- The Net Debt/EBITDA ratio improved from 0.94x to 0.72x, while ROCE rose to 16.9%. There will be an ongoing emphasis on capital efficiency to achieve higher returns.
- The new strategic investor, Indorama Ventures, will create synergies in procurement, cost optimization, and geographic expansion. Their expertise in packaging and chemicals will also enhance innovation and product development.
- In the Beauty & Cosmetics sector, EPL aims to secure more business from existing customers through new product innovations. Meanwhile, in Oral Care, the company is steadily gaining global market share by placing a stronger emphasis on premium and sustainable tubes.
- New product development in Personal Care, Pharma, and Homecare will fuel long-term growth. Additionally, Platina tubes and Neo Seam tubes are gaining popularity in global markets.
- EPL will persist in optimizing costs by strategically managing prices, minimizing waste, implementing automation, and insourcing processes. Additionally, realigning manufacturing operations, particularly in Europe and the Americas, will enhance efficiency.

				(₹ mn)
Particulars	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Revenue	39161	42444	47118	52102
EBITDA	7143	8393	9576	10689
EBITDA (%)	18.2	19.8	20.3	20.5
Net Profit	2,060	3,410	4,239	5,002
EPS (₹)	6.5	10.8	13.4	15.7
DPS (₹)	4.3	4.9	5.4	5.9
P/E (x)	30.3	18.2	14.6	12.4
EV/EBITDA (x)	8.7	8.1	7.1	6.4
P/BV (x)	3.0	2.7	2.5	2.2
RoE (%)	14.5	15.2	16.6	17.1
RoA (%)	9.3	12.1	12.9	13.4

Source: Company, Way2Wealth

Relative Performance								
Return (%)	1Yr	3Yr	5Yr					
EPL	6	16	18					
Nifty 50	2	35	126					
Sensex	2	33	117					

Source: Company, Way2Wealth

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EPL Limited's Q3FY25 financial performance highlights robust profitability, with the EBITDA margin expanding to 20%, marking a significant increase YoY, and PAT growing by 8. The company has successfully enhanced its cost efficiencies, as evidenced by the Net Debt/EBITDA ratio improving to 0.72 and Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) rising to 16.9%. Strategic synergies from the partnership with Indorama Ventures are supporting EPL's global expansion efforts, including a new plant in Thailand and potential entry into Africa.

However, revenue growth was modest at 4% YoY, with challenges in India and the EAP region, while the Americas and Europe showed strong growth, driven by the Beauty & Cosmetics segment. Sustainability remains a key focus, with 31% of sales coming from recyclable tubes and an EcoVadis Gold rating.

The short-term outlook is neutral due to the need for revenue acceleration, but long-term growth prospects remain strong, supported by global expansion, sustainability leadership, and margin improvements. Hence, **the stock is recommended to Hold at its current price, trading at P/E 12.4**x FY27E EPS of ₹15.7.



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### **FINANCIAL & OPERATING PERFORMANCE**

													(₹ 1	mn)
Particulars	Q3 FY23	Q4 FY23	Q1F Y24	Q2 FY24	Q3 FY24	Q4 FY24	Q1 FY25	Q2 FY25	Q3 FY25	YoY %	QoQ %	9M FY25	9M FY24	YoY (%)
Revenue	9,449	9,693	9,102	10,016	9,751	10,292	10,074	10,862	10,143	4.0	(6.6)	31,079	27,248	14.1
EBITDA	1,490	1,546	1,590	1,810	1,834	1,909	1,858	2,205	2,016	9.9	(8.6)	6,079	4,232	43.6
EBITDA Margin (%)	15.8	15.9	17.5	18.1	18.8	18.5	18.4	20.3	19.9	107	(42)	19.6	15.5	403
Net Profit	628	851	543	505	861	151	642	883	941.0	9.3	6.6	2,466	1,440	71.3

Source: Company, Way2Wealth

## Geography wise Revenue mix (%)

Region	Q3FY23	Q4FY23	Q1FY24	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25	Q3FY25
AMESA	37	35	37	38	36	34	36	36	35
EAP	24	22	24	25	26	22	24	25	25
Americas	24	24	24	25	26	26	26	25	27
Europe	20	26	23	22	21	25	23	24	22

AMESA (India & Egypt); EAP (China, Philippines); Americas (US, Mexico & Columbia); Europe (Poland, Germany & Russia)

Source: Company, Way2Wealth

## **Geography-wise Performance**

AMESA	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
	FY22	FY22	FY23	FY23	FY23	FY23	FY24	FY24	FY24	FY24	FY25	FY25	FY25
Revenue (₹ mn)	3,225	3,140	3,197	3,595	3,521	3,379	3,358	3,791	3,500	3,536	3,677	3,931	3,535
YoY Growth (%)	36.5	13.5	13.4	16.9	9.2	7.6	5.0	5.5	(0.6)	4.6	9.5	3.7	1.0
EBIT (₹ mn)	353	277	309	333	404	423	365	446	392	414	430	440	341
Margin (%)	10.9	8.8	9.7	9.3	11.5	12.5	10.9	11.8	11.2	11.7	11.7	11.2	9.6
YoY Growth (%)	12.1	23.7	(0.6)	(5.4)	14.4	<i>52.7</i>	18.1	33.9	(3.0)	(2.1)	17.8	(1.3)	(13.0)

EAP	Q3 FY22	Q4 FY22	Q1 FY23	Q2 FY23	Q3 FY23	Q4 FY23	Q1 FY24	Q2 FY24	Q3 FY24	Q4 FY24	Q1 FY25	Q2 FY25	Q3 FY25
Revenue (₹ mn)	2,459	1,971	1,928	2,166	2,263	2,141	2,149	2,454	2,524	2,229	2,448	2,667	2,500
YoY Growth (%)	20.4	6.6	(6.4)	1.4	(8.0)	8.6	11.5	<i>13.3</i>	11.5	4.1	13.9	8.7	(1.0)
EBIT (₹ mn)	419	160	247	377	365	248	351	428	412	271	392	431	379
Margin (%)	17.0	8.1	12.8	17.4	16.1	11.6	16.3	17.4	16.3	12.2	16.0	16.2	<i>15.2</i>
YoY Growth (%)	8.8	(25.9)	(28.4)	6.8	(12.9)	<i>55.0</i>	42.1	13.5	12.9	9.3	11.7	0.7	(8.0)

Source: Company, Way2Wealth

Americas	Q3 FY22	Q4 FY22	Q1 FY23	Q2 FY23	Q3 FY23	Q4 FY23	Q1 FY24	Q2 FY24	Q3 FY24	Q4 FY24	Q1 FY25	Q2 FY25	Q3 FY25
Revenue (₹ mn)	1,899	1,964	1,973	2,226	2,260	2,299	2,178	2,519	2,528	2,664	2,589	2,757	2,713
YoY Growth (%)	9.5	12.3	20.4	19.7	19.0	17.1	10.4	13.2	11.9	<i>15.9</i>	18.9	9.4	7.3
EBIT (₹ mn)	53	189	105	106	109	59	24	91	175	240	169	260	292
Margin (%)	2.8	9.6	<i>5.3</i>	4.8	4.8	2.6	1.1	3.6	6.9	9.0	6.5	9.4	10.8
YoY Growth (%)	(73.6)	(6.4)	(11.8)	(36.9)	105.7	(68.8)	(77.1)	(14.2)	60.6	306.8	604.2	<i>185.7</i>	66.9



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Europe	Q3 FY22	Q4 FY22	Q1 FY23	Q2 FY23	Q3 FY23	Q4 FY23	Q1 FY24	Q2 FY24	Q3 FY24	Q4 FY24	Q1 FY25	Q2 FY25	Q3 FY25
Revenue (₹ mn)	1,732	2,086	1,972	2,050	1,911	2,502	2,125	2,163	2,076	2,563	2,316	2,617	2,257
YoY Growth (%)	(2.0)	4.2	10.5	8.9	10.3	19.9	7.8	5.5	8.6	2.4	9.0	21.0	8.7
EBIT (₹ mn)	(22)	104	34	70	(36)	134	79	46	23	99	135	258	232
Margin (%)	(1.3)	5.0	1.7	3.4	(1.9)	<i>5.4</i>	<i>3.7</i>	2.1	1.1	3.9	5.8	9.9	10.3
YoY Growth (%)	(122.2)	(45.0)	(65.7)	(6.7)	63.6	28.8	132.4	(34.3)	163.9	(26.1)	70.9	460.9	908.7

Source: Company, Way2Wealth

### **FINANCIALS & VALUATIONS**

(₹ mn) YoY (%) **Particulars Q3FY25 Q3FY24** YoY (%) **Q2FY25** QoQ (%) **9MFY25 9MFY24** 10,143 4.0 10,862 31,079 28,869 7.7 Revenue 9,751 (6.6)Matl Cost 4,519 4,224 7.0 4,558 (0.9)13,273 12,684 4.6 **Inventory Changes** (487)(154)216.2 (8,216.7)(598)(493)21.3 **Employee Exps** 2,085 1,942 7.4 2,058 1.3 6,233 5,735 8.7 6.7 Other Exps 2,010 1,905 5.5 2,035 (1.2)6,092 5,709 9.9 2,205 16.1 **EBITDA** 2,016 1,834 (8.6)6,079 5,234 EBITDA Margin (%) 19.9 107 20.3 19.6 18.1 143 18.8 (42)Other Income 127 237 (46.4)140 (9.3)332 433 (23.3)863 2.5 852 1.3 2,551 2,478 2.9 Depreciation 842 274 294 291 855 2.4 Finance Cost (6.8)(5.8)835 **PBT** 1,005 943 6.6 1,184 2,985 2,380 25.4 (15.1)504 Tax 64 70 (8.6)301 (78.7)430 17.2 **Net Profit** 941.0 873.0 7.8 883.0 6.6 2,481.0 1,950.0 27.2 EPS (₹) 2.9 2.7 7.6 2.8 6.4 7.8 6.1 27.0 **BPS** As % of Sales **BPS BPS** Raw Matl Cost (199)39.8 41.7 42.0 (227)40.8 42.2 (145)Employee Exps 20.6 19.9 64 18.9 161 20.1 19.9 19 19.8 19.5 28 18.7 108 19.6 19.8 (17)Other Exps

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