| Industry | Consum. Staples <br> BAJAJCON IN <br> Bloomberg <br> BSE CODE |
| :--- | :--- |
|  | 533229 |
| RATING |  |


| CMP | 264 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Price Target | 259 |
| Potential Upside | $-2 \%$ |
|  |  |
| Rating Change | $\downarrow$ |
| Estimate Change | $\downarrow$ |
| Target Change | $\downarrow$ |


| Stock Info |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| 52wk Range H/L | $398 / 193$ |
| Mkt Capital (Rs Cr) | 3898 |
| Free float (\%) | $33 \%$ |
| Avg. Vol 1M (,000) | 1247 |
| No. of Shares (Crs) | 15 |
| Promoters Pledged \% | $63 \%$ |

## 2QFY20 Result update

- In 2QFY20, BAJAJCON reported mixed set of numbers; revenue remained below than our estimates to Rs. 217 cr . with revenue growth of $2.1 \%$ YoY (vs. expect. of Rs. 234 cr .) and flat volume growth led by demand slowdown in rural as well as in urban. (rural growth remained lower than urban growth)
- Modern trade channel continued its strong growth momentum with $19 \%$ in 2QFY20; CSD started recovering from Aug-19(grew by $21 \%$ each in value and volume terms) while E-commerce and Pharma grew by $97 \%$ and $42 \%$ respectively in 2QFY20.
- The Company's International business which is a very small part of business, posted a volume growth of 2.95\% in 2QFY20 led by 95\% growth in Dubai market.
- Bajaj Cool Almond drop which was launched in 4QFY19 has attained the highest offtake (amongst new launches in Hair oil) in all India in value terms with a market share of $1 \%$ in cooling oils in Sep 2019(within 7 months of launch).

Gross margin declined by 23 bps to $67.1 \%$ YoY (vs. expect. of $67.7 \%$ YoY) while EBITDA margin improved by 17 bps to $28.6 \%$ YoY (vs. expect. of $28.9 \%$ YoY) mainly on account of decline in employee expense(by 196 bps YoY).

- The Company reported PAT of Rs. 57 cr. (vs. expect. of Rs. 56 cr .) with PAT growth of $10.9 \%$ YoY while PAT margin increased by 211 bps to $26.4 \%$ YoY mainly due to lower provisioning of taxes by $8.7 \%$ as percentage of PBT(Rs 8 cr Vs Rs 14 cr in 2QFY19).


## View and Valuation

BAJAJCON has reported mixed set of numbers, wherein sales remained below than our expectations while PAT grew in line due to lower provisioning of taxes as percentage of PBT by $8.7 \%$. The Company's volumes remained flat impacted by tapering down of sales across channels. Going forward, we expect better traction from modern trade; International business and CSD channels while headwinds related to general trade channel may hamper the growth. Sluggish rural growth is a cause of concern. On Margin front, sharp increase in A\&P spends from $16-18 \%$ of sales to $23-24 \%$ in coming years will impact EBITDA margin. Considering sluggish rural growth we have reduced our sales estimates for FY20e/FY21e by 4\%/3\% and taking account of higher ad expenses, we have reduced our PAT estimates by $1.4 \% / 13 \%$. Considering deterioration in ROE on the back of lower margin and dividend payout, we have changed our rating from ACCUMULATE to Neutral with the reduced target price of Rs 259.

## Key Risks to our rating and target

Further slowdown in rural growth may impact the volume of ADHO.

- Higher volatility in crude oil prices.

Fig in Rs Cr

| KEY FINANCIAL/VALUATIONS | FY17 | FY18 | FY19 | FY20E | FY21E |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Net Sales | 797 | 828 | 918 | 965 | 1088 |
| EBITDA | 264 | 254 | 274 | 277 | 286 |
| EBIT | 258 | 247 | 267 | 271 | 279 |
| PAT | 218 | 211 | 222 | 242 | 248 |
| EPS (Rs) | 15 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| EPS growth (\%) | $11 \%$ | $-3 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| ROE (\%) | $44 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $47 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $38 \%$ |
| ROCE (\%) | $51 \%$ | $49 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $41 \%$ |
| BV | 34 | 33 | 32 | 38 | 45 |
| EV/Sales (X) | 12.1 | 13.9 | 9.9 | 6.9 | 5.9 |
| P/E (x) | 27.4 | 32.5 | 21.0 | 15.9 | 15.6 |

## 2QFY20 Results

Mixed Performance

| Financials | 2QFY19 | 3QFY19 | 4QFY19 | 1QFY20 | 2QFY20 | YoY \% | QoQ\% | FY18 | FY19 | Fig in Rs Cr YoY \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net Sales | 213 | 230 | 246 | 240 | 217 | 2.1\% | -9.6\% | 828 | 918 | 10.9\% |
| Other Income | 7 | 7 | 2 | 6 | 7 | -8.2\% | 9.6\% | 24 | 17 | -30.4\% |
| COGS | 69 | 75 | 83 | 77 | 71 | 2.8\% | -7.8\% | 269 | 303 | 12.6\% |
| Gross Margin | 67\% | 67\% | 66\% | 68\% | 67\% | -0.2\% | -0.6\% | 67\% | 67\% | -0.5\% |
| Empl. Cost | 24 | 24 | 24 | 21 | 20 | -15.7\% | -5.2\% | 77 | 97 | 26.1\% |
| Other Exp. | 59 | 60 | 61 | 71 | 63 | 7.8\% | -10.8\% | 228 | 243 | 6.8\% |
| EBITDA | 61 | 71 | 78 | 70 | 62 | 2.7\% | -11.7\% | 254 | 274 | 8.1\% |
| EBITDA Mar. | 28\% | 31\% | 32\% | 29\% | 29\% | 0.2\% | -0.7\% | 31\% | 30\% | -0.8\% |
| Depreciation | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | -20.9\% | -0.1\% | 7 | 7 | -3.9\% |
| EBIT | 59 | 69 | 76 | 69 | 61 | 3.3\% | -12.0\% | 247 | 267 | 8.4\% |
| Interest | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 657.8\% | 360.7\% | 1 | 1 | -4.4\% |
| PBT | 66 | 77 | 77 | 75 | 66 | -0.2\% | -12.1\% | 270 | 283 | 5.0\% |
| Excep. Item | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Tax | 14 | 17 | 17 | 16 | 8 | -40.5\% | -47.6\% | 59 | 62 | 4.9\% |
| PAT | 52 | 60 | 61 | 59 | 57 | 10.9\% | -2.3\% | 211 | 222 | 5.0\% |
| PAT Margin | 24\% | 26\% | 25\% | 24\% | 26\% | 2.1\% | 2.0\% | 25\% | 24\% | -1.4\% |

General Trade channel remained sluggish; Modern trade posted strong growth
General trade channel remained subdued impacted due to slowdown in both rural as well as urban demand. General trade, accounted for $84.43 \%$ of sales (value terms) grew by $0.78 \%$ in value terms while in volume terms its declined by $2.20 \%$ in 2QFY20 respectively. Modern trade salience has increased from $7.60 \%$ in 1QFY20 to $9.79 \%$ in 2QFY20 in value term with a value and volume growth of $19.11 \%$ \& $14.04 \%$ in 2QFY20. The Procedural issues with regard to name change of the company in Canteen Stores Department (contributed $3.04 \%$ to the revenue in 2QFY20) channel has been resolved and grew by $20.97 \%$ in value terms with $20.79 \%$ volume growth .The Company's International business which is a very small part of business, posted a volume growth of $2.95 \%$ in 2QFY20 led by 95\% growth in Dubai. E Commerce and Pharma channels grew by 97\% and 42\% respectively in 2QFY20.

## Lower employee expenses helped in the expansion of EBITDA margin

Gross margin declined by 23 bps to $67.1 \%$ YoY (vs. expect. of $67.7 \%$ YoY) while EBITDA margin improved by 17 bps to $28.6 \%$ YoY (vs. expect. of $28.9 \%$ YoY) mainly on account of decline in employee expense(by 196 bps YoY). Other expenses increased by 156 bps which got compensated by decline in employee expense to the extent of 196 bps YoY. PAT stood at Rs. 57 cr. with increase in PAT margin increased by 211 bps to $26.4 \%$ YoY mainly due to lower tax.

## Concall Highlights

$>$ The Management expects Industry growth to remain flat over next 4-6 quarters led by slowdown in rural growth but the Company aspires to grow in double digit and increase market share from $10 \%$ to $20 \%$ in total Hair oil category.
> Promoters sold $22 \%$ stake in Bajaj Consumer Care in secondary market and repaid entire Personal debt at promoter level.
> The Company currently does not have any Personal debt at promoter group level and no further debt will be taken at promoter group level going further.
> No further pledges of Bajajcon consumer stock by the promoters going ahead.
> The New CEO of the company will be finalized by Jan-2020.
$>$ The Company with the help of Bain consultants implemented Bain strategy in West Bengal and the initial result remained positive as the Primary sales stood at $14 \%$ (compounded) vs. $2 \%$ declined of Total Hair oil in West Bengal for last three months.
> The Company after successful implementation of Bain strategy in West Bengal will target another big state(from 1-Nov-19) for total Hair oil category in that state and then may implement the strategy PAN India(in middle of 1QFY21) post analyzing the performance from 2nd state.
$>$ The Company will significantly increase its A\&P spends (can go up to $23 \%-24 \%$ from currently $16-18 \%$ ) going forward as they implement Bain strategy PAN India.
> The Company's major focus will be to increase market share and may compromise on margins over next 12-18 months.
> The Company has already achieved cost saving(mainly driven by cut down in employee cost)of Rs. $4-5 \mathrm{cr}$. as of 2QFY20 out of full year target of Rs. 16 cr . and expects to achieve the remaining by Jun-20.

## Exhibit: Direct Coverage

Direct Coverage increased from 5.11 lacs outlets in Q1-19 to 5.15 lacs outlets in Q2-19.
$\longrightarrow$ Direct Coverage as per CY (in Lacs)


Exhibit: Sales and Sales growth
Sales remained impacted due to rural as well urban demand slow down.


Exhibit: LLP price trend
LLP which generally accounts for ~30\% of the COGS of Bajajcon declined by $1.6 \%$ YoY while RMO went up by $0.7 \%$.
$\longrightarrow$ LLP price (Rs/Kg)



Exhibit: ADHO volume growth
ADHO volumes remained impacted due to sluggishness in general trade channels.

- ADHO Volume Gr (\%) YOY
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Exhibit: Gross Margin and EBITDA Margin
EBITDA margin improved by 17 bps to $28.6 \%$ YoY mainly due to decline in empl. Exp.(by 196 bps YoY).
$\ldots$ Gross Margin \% $\quad$ EBITDA Margin \%
65.1\% 67.0\% 69.0\% 67.3\% 66.6\% 67.3\% 67.4\% 66.3\% 67.7\% 67.1\%
$30.7 \% 28.6 \%{ }^{32.6 \%} 32.4 \% 31.2 \% 28.5 \%$ 30.9\% 31.6\% $29.3 \%$ 28.6\%


Exhibit: PAT and PAT Growth
PAT grew $10.9 \%$ YoY to Rs. 57 cr. while PAT margin stood at $26.4 \%$ Yo $Y$.


## BAJAJCON

Financial Details
Balance Sheet
Fig in Rs Cr

| Y/E March | FY14 | FY15 | FY16 | FY17 | FY18 | FY19 | FY20E | FY21E |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Share Capital | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 |
| Reserves | 504 | 474 | 466 | 479 | 478 | 453 | 544 | 643 |
| Networth | $\mathbf{5 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{4 8 9}$ | $\mathbf{4 8 1}$ | $\mathbf{4 9 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 9 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 6 7}$ | 559 | $\mathbf{6 5 7}$ |
| Debt | - | - | 10 | 15 | 13 | 25 | 25 | 25 |
| Other Non Current Liab | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Capital Employed | 519 | 489 | 491 | 509 | 506 | 492 | 584 | 682 |
| Net Fixed Assets (incl CWIP) | 194 | 142 | 97 | 119 | 130 | 134 | 133 | 144 |
| Non Current Investments | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other Non Current Assets | - | - | - | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Non Current Assets | $\mathbf{2 3 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 0}$ |
| Inventory | 39 | 39 | 50 | 42 | 47 | 61 | 64 | 72 |
| Debtors | 8 | 13 | 25 | 27 | 32 | 37 | 39 | 44 |
| Cash \& Bank | 129 | 134 | 58 | 5 | 13 | 13 | 125 | 207 |
| Other Current Assets | 165 | 195 | 282 | 344 | 339 | 312 | 294 | 302 |
| Current Assets | 342 | 382 | 415 | 426 | 432 | 425 | 523 | 626 |
| Creditors | 41 | 51 | 44 | 40 | 60 | 72 | 76 | 86 |
| Provisions | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Other Current Liabilities | 19 | 27 | 31 | 13 | 12 | 14 | 15 | 17 |
| Curr Liabilities | $\mathbf{5 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 9}$ | $\mathbf{7 4}$ | $\mathbf{8 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 3}$ |
| Net Current Assets | $\mathbf{2 8 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 0 3}$ | $\mathbf{3 4 0}$ | $\mathbf{3 4 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 3 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 9 2}$ |
| Total Assets | $\mathbf{5 7 9}$ | $\mathbf{5 6 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 6 6}$ | $\mathbf{5 9 0}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{7 0 3}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 6}$ |

Income Statement
Fig in Rs Cr

| Y/E March | FY14 | FY15 | FY16 | FY17 | FY18 | FY19 | FY20E | FY21E |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Revenue from Operation | $\mathbf{6 7 2}$ | $\mathbf{8 2 6}$ | $\mathbf{8 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{8 2 8}$ | $\mathbf{9 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{9 6 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 0 8 8}$ |
| Change (\%) | $11 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $-3 \%$ | $0 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Other Income | 40 | 32 | 29 | 39 | 24 | 17 | 34 | 39 |
| EBITDA | $\mathbf{1 8 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 3 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 6 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 8 6}$ |
| Change (\%) | $8 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $-4 \%$ | $-4 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Margin (\%) | $28 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 6 \%}$ |
| Depr \& Amor. | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 7 | $\mathbf{7}$ | 6 | $\mathbf{7}$ |
| EBIT | $\mathbf{1 8 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 6 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 6 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 9}$ |
| Int. \& other fin. Cost | 6 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ |
| EBT | $\mathbf{2 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 6 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 8 3}$ | $\mathbf{3 0 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 1 4}$ |
| Exp Item | $(29)$ | $(47)$ | $(47)$ | $(18)$ | - | - | - | - |
| Tax | 38 | 46 | 54 | 60 | 59 | 62 | 59 | 67 |
| Minority Int \& P/L share of Ass. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Reported PAT | 149 | 173 | 196 | 218 | 211 | $\mathbf{2 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 8}$ |
| Adjusted PAT | $\mathbf{1 7 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 3 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 3 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 8}$ |
| Change (\%) | $-10 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $-3 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 4} \%$ |
| Margin(\%) | $22 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 3 \%}$ |

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Financial Details
Key Ratios

| Y/E March | FY14 | FY15 | FY16 | FY17 | FY18 | FY19 | FY20E | FY21E |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| ROE | $29 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $41 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $47 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $38 \%$ |
| ROCE | $35 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $55 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $49 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $41 \%$ |
| Asset Turnover | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Debtor Days | 5 | 6 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 15 |
| Inv Days | 21 | 17 | 23 | 19 | 21 | 24 | 24 | 24 |
| Payable Days | 22 | 23 | 20 | 18 | 26 | 29 | 29 | 29 |
| Int Coverage | 31 | 1,737 | 1,188 | 251 | 201 | 228 | 79 | 82 |
| P/E | 23 | 29 | 29 | 27 | 32 | 21 | 16 | 16 |
| Price / Book Value | 6 | 10 | 12 | 12 | 14 | 10 | 7 | 6 |
| EV/EBITDA | 17 | 20 | 21 | 23 | 27 | 17 | 13 | 13 |
| FCF per Share | $(1)$ | 14 | 12 | 12 | 11 | 11 | 15 | 16 |
| Div Yield | $2.8 \%$ | $3.4 \%$ | $3.0 \%$ | $2.8 \%$ | $2.6 \%$ | $4.4 \%$ | $3.2 \%$ | $3.2 \%$ |

Cash Flow Statement
Fig in Rs Cr

| Y/E March | FY14 | FY15 | FY16 | FY17 | FY18 | FY19 | FY20E | FY21E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PBT | 216 | 266 | 297 | 297 | 270 | 283 | 302 | 314 |
| (inc)/Dec in Working Capital | (15) | 13 | (28) | 7 | (14) | (39) | (4) | (6) |
| Non Cash Op Exp | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 7 |
| Int Paid (+) | - | - | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| Tax Paid | (39) | (46) | (53) | (58) | (59) | (61) | (59) | (67) |
| others | (40) | (32) | (29) | (39) | (24) | (17) | - | - |
| CF from Op. Activities | 126 | 207 | 193 | 212 | 180 | 176 | 248 | 252 |
| (inc)/Dec in FA \& CWIP | (147) | (1) | (17) | (36) | (19) | (9) | (28) | (18) |
| Free Cashflow | (21) | 206 | 176 | 176 | 161 | 167 | 220 | 234 |
| (Pur)/Sale of Inv | 34 | (21) | (86) | (53) | 28 | 49 | 21 | - |
| others | 117 | 2 | 109 | 73 | 28 | 29 | 22 | (0) |
| CF from Inv. Activities | 4 | (20) | 6 | (15) | 37 | 69 | 15 | (18) |
| inc/(dec) in NW | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| inc/(dec) in Debt | - | - | 10 | 5 | (2) | 12 | - | - |
| Int. Paid | - | - | (0) | (1) | (1) | (1) | (3) | (3) |
| Div Paid (inc tax) | (112) | (204) | (204) | (204) | (213) | (249) | (148) | (149) |
| others | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| CF from Fin. Activities | (112) | (204) | (194) | (200) | (216) | (238) | (151) | (153) |
| Inc(Dec) in Cash | 17 | (16) | 5 | (3) | 1 | 7 | 112 | 82 |
| Add: Opening Balance | 3 | 20 | 4 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 13 | 125 |
| Closing Balance | 20 | 4 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 13 | 125 | 207 |

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