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# **Q3FY25 Result Update**

☑ Change in Estimates | ☑ Target | ■ Reco

#### **Change in Estimates**

	Current		Pre	vious
	FY26E	FY27E	FY26E	FY27E
Rating	E	BUY	В	UY
Target Price	7	760	7	'10
Sales (Rs. m)	88,013	1,00,474	85,999	97,116
% Chng.	2.3	3.5		
EBITDA (Rs. m)	19,431	22,831	18,915	22,081
% Chng.	2.7	3.4		
EPS (Rs.)	13.2	16.4	12.7	15.8
% Chng.	3.5	4.3		

#### **Key Financials - Consolidated**

Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Sales (Rs. m)	68,930	78,354	88,013	1,00,474
EBITDA (Rs. m)	12,677	15,934	19,431	22,831
Margin (%)	18.4	20.3	22.1	22.7
PAT (Rs. m)	5,829	8,381	9,961	12,405
EPS (Rs.)	7.7	11.1	13.2	16.4
Gr. (%)	13.2	43.8	18.9	24.5
DPS (Rs.)	-	-	-	0.0
Yield (%)	-	-	-	-
RoE (%)	7.8	10.5	11.5	13.1
RoCE (%)	11.2	12.6	14.0	15.7
EV/Sales (x)	6.9	6.3	5.6	4.9
EV/EBITDA (x)	37.6	31.1	25.4	21.5
PE (x)	81.3	56.5	47.6	38.2
P/BV (x)	6.2	5.7	5.3	4.8

Key Data	FOHE.BO   FORH IN
52-W High / Low	Rs.745 / Rs.375
Sensex / Nifty	77,312 / 23,382
Market Cap	Rs.474bn/ \$ 5,416m
Shares Outstanding	755m
3M Avg. Daily Value	Rs.1177.37m

## **Shareholding Pattern (%)**

Promoter's	31.17
Foreign	26.77
Domestic Institution	30.04
Public & Others	12.02
Promoter Pledge (Rs bn)	-

#### Stock Performance (%)

	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	(8.7)	28.1	44.3
Relative	(8.6)	32.1	33.6

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# Fortis Healthcare (FORH IN)

Rating: BUY | CMP: Rs628 | TP: Rs760

# Strong show in hospital segment

#### **Quick Pointers:**

- Guided for break-even of new Manesar unit from Q1FY26
- Divested another non-performing unit at Richmond Road in Bangalore which incurred Rs80mn EBITDA loss in FY24

Fortis Healthcare's (FORH) Q3FY25 EBITDA at Rs3.75bn was in line with our estimates. Though hospital margins improved by 170bps/260bps YoY in FY24/9MFY25, we see further scope for improvement aided by 1) improving case and payor mix, 2) cost rationalization initiatives including divestment of Richmond unit in Bangalore, ramp up of Manesar unit and 3) new brownfield bed additions. Fortis consolidated 89.2% stake in Agilus in Jan'25. We expect margins and revenue growth to pick-up from FY26 in Agilus.

Our FY26E and FY27E EBITDA stands increased by 3%. We expect EBITDA to clock 20% CAGR over FY25-27E. At CMP, the stock is trading at 22.5x EV/EBITDA on FY27E, adjusted for Agilus stake. Maintain 'Buy' rating with revised TP of Rs760/share, valuing the hospital segment at 27x and diagnostic at 25x EV/EBITDA on FY27E.

**Strong ARPOB; occupancy steady at 67%:** Hospital business revenue increased 17% YoY (down 2% QoQ) to Rs16.2bn, vs our estimates of Rs15.7bn. Diagnostic business net revenue grew 5% YoY to Rs3bn. Hospital occupancy declined to 67% vs 72% in Q2 and 64% in Q3FY24. ARPOB further improved by 10% YoY to Rs67.1k primarily driven by improved case mix and partly due to price revisions implemented in Feb'24.

Hospital EBITDA growth at 30% YoY: FORH's consolidated EBITDA increased 32% YoY (down 14% QoQ) to Rs3.75bn, in line with our estimates. Hospital business EBITDA came in at Rs3.25bn, up 30% YoY. Overall hospital OPM improved by 190 bps YoY to 20%. However, it was down by 150 bps QoQ partly due to seasonality and commercialization of Manesar unit. Diagnostic business EBITDA increased 49% YoY to Rs490mn, with OPM of 16.1%. Adjusted for Rs. 240mn (vs Rs. 90mn in Q2FY25) of one-off expenses relating to rebranding, margins were at 24% in Q3FY25. Net debt increased by Rs3.8bn QoQ to Rs6.6bn.

Key con-call takeaways: Bed expansion: Total 400 brownfield beds are likely to be commercialized across FMRI, Faridabad and Noida by FY26. Out of total greenfield 350 beds in Manesar, FORH commercialized 50 beds in Q3 and booked EBITDA loss of Rs ~120mn. Another 50 beds will commence by Mar'25; the hospital is guided to break even in Q1FY26. Mgmt guided 350-400 brownfield bed expansion on annual basis for the next 2 years. FORH is actively evaluating opportunistic acquisitions & land purchases for expansion. Capex: Total capex requirement of Rs. 9bn of which Rs. 6bn will be spent on expansion and balance Rs 3bn will be on maintenance capex. ARPOB: guided at 5-6% YoY. ARPOB growth was supported by an increased share of high-value specialties, including oncology, neurosciences, and robotic surgeries, contributing to higher realizations.

Occupancy- Management guided that occupancy levels will continue improving, supported by bed expansions, better case mix, and increased patient demand. Margin guidance- Hospital and diagnostic margin guidance at ~20.5% and ~21-22%; respectively for FY25. Drivers for hospital margins: Hospital margins to improve on brownfield expansion, improved case mix, operational efficiencies and ramp up in occupancies through scaling operations in underperforming hospitals (e.g. Jaipur, Vashi) through leadership and structural changes. FORH divested another underperforming Richmond Road 80 bed hospital in Bangalore in Dec'24 post divestment of Malar (Feb'24) & Vadapalani Chennai units (Jul'23). This unit registered Rs80mn loss at EBITDA in FY24. Agilus: Guided branding expenses to minimize by Q4FY25 end. FORH consolidated a total 89.2% stake in Agilus via raising Rs. 15.5bn of non-convertible debentures in Jan'25. B2C:B2B mix was at 51:49. Legal case hearings are likely to conclude soon, and legal costs should come off in FY26.

Exhibit 1: Q3FY25 Result Overview (Rs mn) - In line EBITDA

Y/e March	3QFY25	3QFY24	YoY gr. (%)	2QFY25	QoQ gr. (%)	9MFY25	9MFY24	YoY gr. (%)
Net Sales	19,283	16,797	14.8	19,884	(3.0)	57,755	51,070	13.1
COGS	4,535	3,938	15.2	4,608	(1.6)	13,672	12,050	13.5
% of Net Sales	23.5	23.4		23.2		23.7	23.6	
Employee Cost	2,942	2,821	4.3	2,903	1.4	8,800	8,480	3.8
% of Net Sales	15.3	16.8		14.6		17.2	16.6	
Other Expenses	8,054	7,199	11.9	8,024	0.4	23,760	21,675	9.6
% of Net Sales	41.8	42.9		40.4		46.5	42.4	
Total	15,531	13,957	11.3	15,536	(0.0)	46,231	42,204	9.5
EBITDA	3,752	2,840	32.1	4,348	(13.7)	11,524	8,866	30.0
Margins (%)	19.5	16.9		21.9		20.0	17.4	
Other Income	209	68	206.8	132	57.8	471	285	65.7
Interest	452	330	37.0	364	23.9	1,169	963	21.4
Depreciation	973	869	12.0	951	2.4	2,834	2,503	13.2
PBT	2,536	1,709	48.4	3,166	(19.9)	7,993	5,685	40.6
Tax	251	489	(48.7)	680	(63.1)	1,491	1,445	3.2
Tax rate %	9.9	28.6		21.5		18.7	25.4	
PAT	2,285	1,220	87.3	2,486	(8.1)	6,502	4,240	53.3
Share in (loss)/profit of associate	21	45	(54.5)	42		69	52	32.6
Minority Interest	64	(4)	(1,554.5)	166		310	219	41.5
EO items	(238)	(77)	208.7	598		358	(129)	(377.7)
Reported PAT	2,479	1,347	84.1	1,765	40.5	5,903	4,201	40.5

Source: Company, PL

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Exhibit 2: Hospital revenues grew ~17% YoY, while diagnostic grew +5% YoY

3QFY25	3QFY24	YoY gr. (%)	2QFY25	QoQ gr. (%)	9MFY25	9MFY24	YoY gr. (%)
16,230	13,890	16.8	16,547	(1.9)	48,267	41,957	15.0
84.2%	82.7%		83.2%		83.6%	82.2%	
3,052	2,902	5.2	3,337	(8.5)	9,479	9,109	4.1
15.8%	17.3%		16.8%		16.4%	17.8%	
19,282	16,792	14.8	19,884	(3.0)	57,746	51,066	13.1
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Exhibit 3: Hospital/ Diagnostic EBITDA improved ~30%/ ~49% YoY

EBITDA	3QFY25	3QFY24	YoY gr. (%)	2QFY25	QoQ gr. (%)	9MFY25	9MFY24	YoY gr. (%)
Hospital	3,250	2,510	29.5	3,550	(8.5)	9,670	7,251	33.4
OPM (%)	20.0%	18.1%		21.5%		84.0%	81.8%	
Diagnostic	490	330	48.6	800	(38.8)	1,840	1,618	13.7
OPM (%)	16.1%	11.4%		24.0%		16.0%	18.2%	
Total EBITDA	3,740	2,840	31.7	4,350	(14.0)	11,510	8,869	29.8

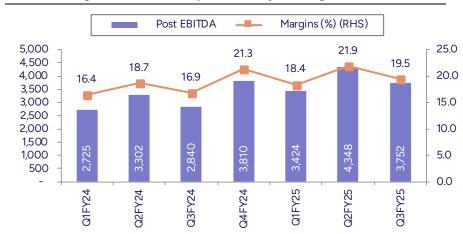
Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 4: 11 hospitals in +20% margin bracket contribute to ~74% of revenues

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EBITDA for 9MFY25	No. Of facilities (#)	Revenue contribution (%)	Beds (#)	ARPOB (INR mn)	Occupancy (%)
>20%	11	74	2,658	26.1	72
15-20%	2	6	379	14.8	77
10-15%	3	4	201	25.3	57
<10%	5	14	830	19.6	58
Total/Average	21	99	4,068	21.5	66

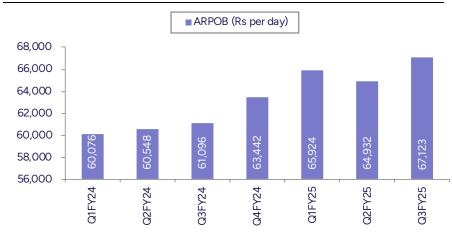
Source: Company, PL; Note: <10% EBITDA Margin facilities include Ludhiana 2 (commissioned in Dec'23) and Manesar (commissioned in Sep'24).

Exhibit 5: Margins declined ~240bps QoQ led by both segments



Source: Company, PL

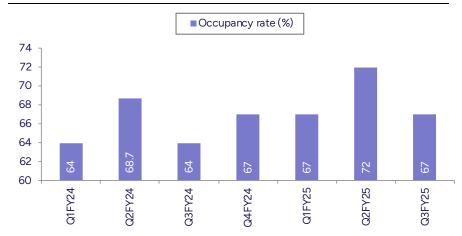
Exhibit 6: Strong ARPOB primarily due to improved case mix



Source: Company, PL



Exhibit 7: Occupancy declined QoQ due to seasonality and new unit addition



Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 8: Net debt increased by Rs3.8bn QoQ



Source: Company, PL



# **Financials**

Ì	ncome	Statement	(Pem)
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Income Statement (Rs m)				
Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Net Revenues	68,930	78,354	88,013	1,00,474
YoY gr. (%)	9.5	13.7	12.3	14.2
Cost of Goods Sold	16,187	18,413	20,683	23,611
Gross Profit	52,743	59,941	67,330	76,863
Margin (%)	76.5	76.5	76.5	76.5
Employee Cost	11,195	14,887	16,722	19,090
Other Expenses	28,871	29,120	31,176	34,942
EBITDA	12,677	15,934	19,431	22,831
YoY gr. (%)	15.1	25.7	21.9	17.5
Margin (%)	18.4	20.3	22.1	22.7
Depreciation and Amortization	3,425	3,814	4,132	4,468
EBIT	9,252	12,120	15,299	18,363
Margin (%)	13.4	15.5	17.4	18.3
Net Interest	1,310	1,745	2,484	2,374
Other Income	383	575	400	500
Profit Before Tax	8,325	10,950	13,215	16,489
Margin (%)	12.1	14.0	15.0	16.4
Total Tax	2,128	2,409	3,304	4,122
Effective tax rate (%)	25.6	22.0	25.0	25.0
Profit after tax	6,198	8,541	9,911	12,367
Minority interest	463	260	100	112
Share Profit from Associate	95	100	150	150
Adjusted PAT	5,829	8,381	9,961	12,405
YoY gr. (%)	13.2	43.8	18.9	24.5
Margin (%)	8.5	10.7	11.3	12.3
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	5,829	8,381	9,961	12,405
YoY gr. (%)	13.2	43.8	18.9	24.5
Margin (%)	8.5	10.7	11.3	12.3
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	5,829	8,381	9,961	12,405
Equity Shares O/s (m)	755	755	755	755
EPS (Rs)	7.7	11.1	13.2	16.4

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs m)

<b>Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs</b>	m)			
Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Non-Current Assets				
Gross Block	94,085	1,02,085	1,10,085	1,18,085
Tangibles	94,085	1,02,085	1,10,085	1,18,085
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Acc: Dep / Amortization	37,290	41,104	45,235	49,703
Tangibles	37,290	41,104	45,235	49,703
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Net fixed assets	56,795	60,981	64,849	68,381
Tangibles	56,795	60,981	64,849	68,381
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Capital Work In Progress	5,420	5,420	5,420	5,420
Goodwill	41,942	41,942	41,942	41,942
Non-Current Investments	2,298	2,298	2,298	2,298
Net Deferred tax assets	(1,119)	(1,119)	(1,119)	(1,119)
Other Non-Current Assets	-	-	-	-
Current Assets				
Investments	-	-	-	-
Inventories	1,074	1,242	1,406	1,616
Trade receivables	6,278	8,221	9,302	10,690
Cash & Bank Balance	5,984	2,415	2,871	5,449
Other Current Assets	9,893	10,882	11,970	13,167
Total Assets	1,32,888	1,36,604	1,43,262	1,52,167
Equity				
Equity Share Capital	7,550	7,550	7,550	7,550
Other Equity	69,079	75,336	82,647	91,518
Total Networth	76,629	82,885	90,196	99,068
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term borrowings	7,409	22,409	21,409	20,409
Provisions	-	-	-	-
Other non current liabilities	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities				
ST Debt / Current of LT Debt	1,175	1,175	1,175	1,175
Trade payables	7,278	8,549	9,674	11,117
Other current liabilities	24,205	5,133	4,255	3,733
Total Equity & Liabilities	1,32,888	1,36,604	1,43,262	1,52,166

Source: Company Data, PL Research



Cash	Flow	(Rs m)	

Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
PBT	8,325	10,950	13,215	16,489
Add. Depreciation	3,425	3,814	4,132	4,468
Add. Interest	1,310	1,745	2,484	2,374
Less Financial Other Income	383	575	400	500
Add. Other	(37)	(358)	-	-
Op. profit before WC changes	13,023	16,151	19,831	23,331
Net Changes-WC	106	(20,900)	(2,086)	(1,873)
Direct tax	(2,128)	(2,409)	(3,304)	(4,122)
Net cash from Op. activities	11,001	(7,158)	14,441	17,335
Capital expenditures	(10,098)	(8,000)	(8,000)	(8,000)
Interest / Dividend Income	-	-	-	-
Others	1,235	100	150	150
Net Cash from Invt. activities	(8,864)	(7,900)	(7,850)	(7,850)
Issue of share cap. / premium	-	-	-	-
Debt changes	1,552	15,000	(1,000)	(1,000)
Dividend paid	(860)	(1,767)	(2,650)	(3,533)
Interest paid	(1,310)	(1,745)	(2,484)	(2,374)
Others	837	-	-	-
Net cash from Fin. activities	220	11,488	(6,134)	(6,907)
Net change in cash	2,357	(3,570)	456	2,578
Free Cash Flow	903	(15,158)	6,441	9,335

Source: Company Data, PL Research

# Quarterly Financials (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25	Q3FY25
Net Revenue	17,859	18,588	19,884	19,283
YoY gr. (%)	8.7	12.2	12.3	14.8
Raw Material Expenses	4,137	4,529	4,608	4,535
Gross Profit	13,722	14,059	15,276	14,748
Margin (%)	76.8	75.6	76.8	76.5
EBITDA	3,810	3,424	4,348	3,752
YoY gr. (%)	40.7	25.7	31.7	32.1
Margin (%)	21.3	18.4	21.9	19.5
Depreciation / Depletion	922	910	951	973
EBIT	2,888	2,514	3,398	2,778
Margin (%)	16.2	13.5	17.1	14.4
Net Interest	347	353	364	452
Other Income	98	130	132	209
Profit before Tax	2,671	2,294	2,568	2,774
Margin (%)	15.0	12.3	12.9	14.4
Total Tax	682	561	680	251
Effective tax rate (%)	25.6	24.4	26.5	9.0
Profit after Tax	1,988	1,733	1,889	2,523
Minority interest	244	80	166	64
Share Profit from Associates	43	6	42	21
Adjusted PAT	1,787	1,659	1,765	2,479
YoY gr. (%)	34.8	48.4	1.6	84.1
Margin (%)	10.0	8.9	8.9	12.9
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	1,787	1,659	1,765	2,479
YoY gr. (%)	34.8	48.4	1.6	84.1
Margin (%)	10.0	8.9	8.9	12.9
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	1,787	1,659	1,765	2,479
Avg. Shares O/s (m)	-	-	-	-
EPS (Rs)	2.4	2.2	2.3	3.3

Source: Company Data, PL Research

# **Key Financial Metrics**

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Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E	
Per Share(Rs)					
EPS	7.7	11.1	13.2	16.4	
CEPS	12.3	16.2	18.7	22.3	
BVPS	101.5	109.8	119.5	131.2	
FCF	1.2	(20.1)	8.5	12.4	
DPS	-	-	-	0.0	
Return Ratio(%)					
RoCE	11.2	12.6	14.0	15.7	
ROIC	7.3	9.0	10.9	12.5	
RoE	7.8	10.5	11.5	13.1	
Balance Sheet					
Net Debt : Equity (x)	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.2	
Net Working Capital (Days)	0	4	4	4	
Valuation(x)					
PER	81.3	56.5	47.6	38.2	
P/B	6.2	5.7	5.3	4.8	
P/CEPS	51.2	38.9	33.6	28.1	
EV/EBITDA	37.6	31.1	25.4	21.5	
EV/Sales	6.9	6.3	5.6	4.9	
Dividend Yield (%)	-	-	-	-	

Source: Company Data, PL Research

# **Key Operating Metrics**

Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Hospital	56,860	65,765	74,416	85,518
Diagnostic	12,070	12,589	13,596	14,956

Source: Company Data, PL Research

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#### **Analyst Coverage Universe**

Sr. No.	Company Name	Rating	TP (Rs)	Share Price (Rs)
1	Apollo Hospitals Enterprise	BUY	8,000	7,437
2	Aster DM Healthcare	BUY	620	469
3	Aurobindo Pharma	BUY	1,510	1,192
4	Cipla	BUY	1,730	1,421
5	Divi's Laboratories	Accumulate	6,250	5,884
6	Dr. Reddy's Laboratories	Reduce	1,335	1,289
7	Eris Lifesciences	BUY	1,450	1,230
8	Fortis Healthcare	BUY	710	735
9	HealthCare Global Enterprises	BUY	535	488
10	Indoco Remedies	Hold	325	343
11	Ipca Laboratories	Accumulate	1,700	1,736
12	J.B. Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals	BUY	2,075	1,716
13	Jupiter Life Line Hospitals	BUY	1,750	1,607
14	Krishna Institute of Medical Sciences	BUY	725	642
15	Lupin	BUY	2,420	2,359
16	Max Healthcare Institute	BUY	1,300	1,061
17	Narayana Hrudayalaya	BUY	1,420	1,351
18	Rainbow Children's Medicare	BUY	1,785	1,552
19	Sun Pharmaceutical Industries	BUY	2,275	1,744
20	Sunteck Realty	BUY	700	479
21	Torrent Pharmaceuticals	Accumulate	3,750	3,248
22	Zydus Lifesciences	Accumulate	1,050	977

# PL's Recommendation Nomenclature (Absolute Performance)

 Buy
 : > 15%

 Accumulate
 : 5% to 15%

 Hold
 : +5% to -5%

 Reduce
 : -5% to -15%

 Sell
 : < -15%</td>

Not Rated (NR) : No specific call on the stock
Under Review (UR) : Rating likely to change shortly

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