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Eicher Motors Ltd

Biggest hurdle to get resolved; Buy!

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Supplies remain the culprit for underperformance; witnessing sigh of relief

- Dealers are witnessing improvement in supplies and management too officially indicated that the biggest problem of semiconductor seems to be getting resolved with each passing month.
- Earlier the company was dependent on a single source to procure ECUs, however, added one and one more is in the discussion & could get added. This should hopefully improve supplies.

Combination of products range & increased footprints is the answer to the competition

- In our opinion, the company has strong bookings for the next 2-3 months. Few years ago, RE was dependent only on Classic, but now it has a range of products starting with Meteor, Himalayan, Bullet, new Classic, Interceptor & Continental GT. This we believe is the answer to the competition.
- RE is following Maruti's footsteps in expanding its network. Dealer network increased by 4x in six years to 2,118 stores. We believe no premium motorcycle player has such a wide & deep reach.
- New products or variant launches are on the cards, which always keeps customers excited and resulted into an increase in footfalls.

VECV in its best days, business outperforming industry

- VECV MHCV gained share from 16.1% in Q3FY21 to 17.5% in Q3FY22 majorly due to its wide CNG products range, which is a red-hot growth segment in the market. It's getting 1st mover advantage.
- In exports as well, share increased from 18.3% in Q3FY21 to 22.1% in Q3FY22. VECV exports grown by ~92% in YTDFY22. Added new markets viz. South Africa, Latin America and the Middle East.
- The industry is picking up & seeing a good recovery. QoQ volumes as well as margins will only get better from hereon.

Exports supporting well, operating leverage ahead to improve margins

- 2W exports posted 130% YoY growth in YTDFY22, which is a high margin play & is supporting well.
- RE is least impacted in terms of input cost pressures as it keeps taking price increases. The intensity of <u>RM cost pressure has come down & expect to stabilize in 1-2 quarters</u>. In addition, operating leverage to kick-in should improve margins in the upcoming multi-quarters.

Long term positive view, trading at reasonably attractive valuation

• Trading at striking good valuation of 21.7x FY24e EPS. We have valued RE's FY24e EPS at 27x and assigned 10x to FY24e EBITDA of VECV (54.4% Eicher's share) to arrive at a target price of 3,345.

Y/E Mar (Rs Mn)	Q3 FY22	Q3 FY21	YoY (%)	Q2 FY22	QoQ (%)	Q3 FY22e	Var. (%)
Volumes (No)	167,664	198,557	(15.6)	123,427	35.8	167,664	-
Core realization (Rs)	168,646	141,493	19.2	179,572	(6.1)	175,980	(4.2)
EBITDA/unit (Rs)	34,734	33,845	2.6	38,069	(8.8)		
Total Income	28,807	28,283	1.9	22,496	28.1	30,156	(4.5)
Gross margin (%)	40.3	41.6	(135) bps	42.4	(208) bps	-	-
EBITDA	5,824	6,720	(13.3)	4,699	23.9	7,163	(18.7)
EBITDA margin (%)	20.2	23.8	(354) bps	20.9	(67) bps	23.8	(354) bps
Other income	921	1,250	(26.3)	1,086	(15.2)	-	-
PBT	5,929	7,019	(15.5)	4,758	24.6	-	-
Taxes paid	1,368	1,694	(19.2)	1,026	33.4	-	-
Effective tax rate (%)	23.1	24.1	(105) bps	21.6	152 bps	-	-
Reported PAT	4,561	5,326	(14.4)	3,732	22.2	5,760	(20.8)
PAT margin (%)	15.8	18.8	(300) bps	16.6	(76) bps	19.1	(327) bps

Soure: Company, SMIFS institutional research



Rating: Buy	Upside/(Downside): 22.9%
Current Price: 2,723	Target Price: 3,345

| Earlier recommendation

Preivous Rating:	Buy
Previous Target Price:	2,948

|Market data

Bloomberg:	EIM IN
52-week H/L (Rs):	2,995/2,304
Mcap (Rs bn/USD bn):	744/9.9
Shares outstanding (mn):	273
Free float:	51.0%
Daily vol. (3M Avg):	0.7mn
Face Value (Rs):	1
Group:	Nifty 50
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Source: Bloomberg, SMIFS institutional research

	Dec-21	Sep-21	Jun-21	Mar-21
Promoter	49.2%	49.2%	49.2%	49.2%
FIIs	29.5%	30.3%	28.8%	29.1%
DIIs	9.8%	8.8%	9.5%	9.2%
Public/others	11.5%	11.7%	12.5%	12.5%
Source: BSF				

| Price performance (%) *

	1M	3M	12M	36M
Nifty 50	-5%	-4%	13%	62%
EIM	-3%	1%	-2%	35%

* As on 15th Feb 2022; Source: AceEquity, SMIFS research

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Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	Revenue	YoY (%)	EBITDA	EBITDA (%)	Adj. PAT	YoY (%)	EPS	RoE (%)	RoCE (%)	P/E (x)	EV/EBITDA (x)
FY20	91,536	-6.6%	21,804	23.8%	18,274	-17.0%	67	19.3	18.8	28.3	20.8
FY21	87,204	-4.7%	17,813	20.4%	13,469	-26.3%	49	12.6	12.2	55.3	29.2
FY22e	104,998	20.4%	21,941	20.9%	17,105	27.0%	63	14.3	13.6	43.5	30.1
FY23e	133,054	26.7%	31,028	23.3%	27,025	58.0%	99	20.1	17.1	27.5	20.8
FY24e	155,664	17.0%	38,323	24.6%	34,357	27.1%	126	22.2	18.3	21.7	16.4

Source: Company, SMIFS institutional research estimates



Q3FY22 - Key takeaways from the management call

Royal Enfield business

- YoY volumes are lower mainly impacted due to global chip shortages, however sequentially volumes increased on account of better component supplies and this improvement is expected to continue going ahead.
- Royal Enfield has added additional source to supply electronic components and is in the process of adding one more. Production ramp up will happen gradually MoM.
- Premiumization and personal mobility continues to create demand. Have healthy
 order book in hand, bookings are slowly inching up week on week. New launches
 on the cards.
- Studio stores addition will continue in strategic places, where there are growth opportunities.
- No huge addition ahead as the company needs to ensure that dealers are doing well & its profitability is secured.
- Exports done good led by the strong interest of customers in the new Classic 350cc motorcycle.
- Geographies leading the growth are the US, Europe, Latin America, Thailand, among others.
- Started local assembly unit and CKD facility in Thailand. This unit will also distribute motorcycle in the South-East Asia region including Indonesia and Vietnam.
- In total, RE has three CKD facilities, i.e., in Argentina, Columbia and Thailand.
- Non-motorcycle revenue: It reported growth of 29% YoY in Q3FY22. The company has plans to increase revenue from apparels and accessories business.

Electric vehicles

- RE has a strong internal team working on EVs, built team capability, infrastructure, products road map, a lot of work on new ideas & models are ongoing.
- While the RE team is working hard on the EV side, it's not going to come out with eProduct in the near future. It's all in the works & requires a lot more thoughts.
- In this initial phase, no electric 2W company in the world has been making profits or successful, as per the management.
- RE's every single product in the past five years has been successful starting with Himalayans, Twins, Meteor and new Classic.
- The company puts a lot of effort, time, energy, etc. in one product to make them
 extremely ready for the market. RE won't take any short cuts for EVs as it's a long
 game.

VECV business

 Volumes increased by 25% YoY to 16,044 units in Q3FY22. Revenues increased by 35% YoY to Rs 36.2bn for the same period. CNG and export markets supporting well to the growth.



- EBITDA Margin came in at 6.7%, which was lower by 170bps YoY largely due to input cost pressures and high discounting in the market. PAT in Q3FY22 was Rs 660mn vs. Rs 577mn YoY.
- Outlook is good with improvement expected QoQ led by pent up replacement demand and strong focus of the government continued on infrastructure investments.
- Increased its reach. The VECV CNG portfolio has been doing well and it gained market share. Launched heavy-duty coach and sleeper bus range.
- Exports reported 72% YoY growth in Q3FY22. Added new markets viz. South Africa, Latin America and the Middle East.

Margin

- RM inflation seen of Rs 2,000 per unit QoQ in Q3FY22. Taken price increase of 1.5% in January 2022. Intensity of RM cost increase has come down & expect to stabilize in 1-2 quarters.
- Other expenses increased substantially by 21.7% QoQ to Rs 3,766mn in Q3FY22 mainly due to Rs 600mn marketing spends on new launches.
- Also, one-off cost of 120 years celebration. These two costs are non-recurring.
 Adjusted EBITDA Margin is looking better upwards of 22.3%+.
- In addition, RE spent expense on production ramp-up and paid Rs 60-70mn extra on warehousing charges to store vehicles.



Outlook and Valuations

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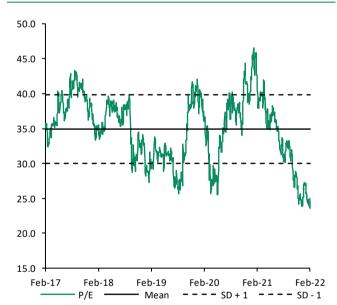
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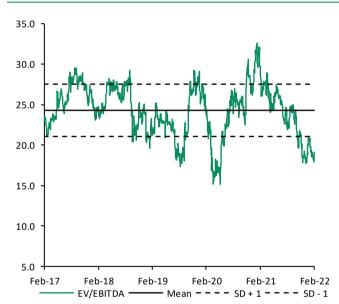
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Fig 1: 1-year forward P/E



Source: AceEquity, SMIFS institutional research

Fig 2: 1-year forward EV/EBITDA



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Quarterly financials, operating metrics & key performance indicators

Fig 3: Quarterly Financials

Y/E March (Rs mn)	Q4FY20	Q1FY21	Q2FY21	Q3FY21	Q4FY21	Q1FY22	Q2FY22	Q3FY22
Net Sales	22,082	8,182	21,336	28,283	29,403	19,743	22,496	28,807
Raw Materials	12,439	5,011	12,221	16,505	17,391	11,417	12,964	17,200
Employee Costs	2,136	1,769	2,075	2,335	2,254	2,234	1,738	2,017
Other Expenditure	3,185	1,364	2,329	2,723	3,415	2,463	3,095	3,766
EBITDA	4,322	38	4,711	6,720	6,344	3,630	4,699	5,824
Depreciation	1,089	982	1,048	1,229	1,248	1,116	1,094	1,114
Interest	55	51	38	36	39	64	31	61
Other Income	1,431	1,142	1,000	1,250	1,139	1,220	1,086	921
Exceptional Items	-140	-654	-39	314	690	-394	98	359
РВТ	4,468	-507	4,585	7,019	6,886	3,275	4,758	5,929
Tax	1,426	45	1,152	1,694	1,625	904	1,026	1,368
Tax rate (%)	30.9%	30.6%	24.9%	25.3%	26.2%	24.6%	22.0%	24.6%
Reported PAT	3,043	-552	3,433	5,326	5,261	2,371	3,732	4,561
YoY Growth (%)								
Revenue	-11.7	-65.7	-2.7	19.3	33.2	141.3	5.4	1.9
EBITDA	-36.9	-99.4	-13.0	13.5	46.8	9,477.0	-0.3	-13.3
PAT	-44.2	NA	-40.0	6.8	72.9	-529.7	8.7	-14.4
QoQ Growth (%)								
Revenue	(6.9)	(62.9)	160.8	32.6	4.0	(32.9)	13.9	28.1
EBITDA	(27.0)	(99.1)	NA	42.7	(5.6)	(42.8)	29.5	23.9
PAT	(39.0)	NA	NA	55.1	(1.2)	(54.9)	57.4	22.2
Margin (%)								
RMC/revenue (%)	56.3	61.2	57.3	58.4	59.1	57.8	57.6	59.7
Gross margin (%)	43.7	38.8	42.7	41.6	40.9	42.2	42.4	40.3
Employee cost/revenue (%)	9.7	21.6	9.7	8.3	7.7	11.3	7.7	7.0
Other expenses/revenue (%)	14.4	16.7	10.9	9.6	11.6	12.5	13.8	13.1
EBITDA margin (%)	19.6	0.5	22.1	23.8	21.6	18.4	20.9	20.2
PAT margin (%)	13.8	(6.7)	16.1	18.8	17.9	12.0	16.6	15.8
Source: Company, SMIFS institution	nal research							

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Fig 4: Key Assumptions

Operating Details	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e	FY24e
		Royal Enf	ield			
- Domestic	805,273	656,651	573,438	521,829	626,194	688,814
YoY Growth (%)	0.5%	-18.5%	-12.7%	-9.0%	20.0%	10.0%
- Exports	20,825	39,188	38,622	83,037	103,797	124,556
YoY Growth (%)	8.1%	88.2%	-1.4%	115.0%	25.0%	20.0%
Total RE volumes	826,098	695,839	612,060	604,866	729,991	813,370
YoY Growth (%)	0.7%	-15.8%	-12.0%	-1.2%	20.7%	11.4%
RE - Realization (Rs)	117,631	130,397	141,515	172,418	181,039	190,091
YoY Growth (%)	8.2%	10.9%	8.5%	21.8%	5.0%	5.0%
		VECV				
MHCVs	50,962	32,462	28,914	39,759	55,431	68,850
YoY Growth (%)	11.5%	-36.3%	-10.9%	37.5%	39.4%	24.2%
LCVs	20,861	15,072	11,292	13,550	17,312	19,043
YoY Growth (%)	8.8%	-27.8%	-25.1%	20.0%	27.8%	10.0%
Volvo trucks	1,146	1,187	1,062	1,328	1,792	2,151
YoY Growth (%)	8.6%	3.6%	-10.5%	25.0%	35.0%	20.0%
Total VECV volumes	72,969	48,721	41,268	54,636	74,535	90,043
YoY Growth (%)	10.7%	-33.2%	-15.3%	32.4%	36.4%	20.8%
VECV - Realization (Rs)	1,589,708	1,749,642	2,102,355	2,307,125	2,422,481	2,543,605
YoY Growth (%)	4.3%	10.1%	20.2%	9.7%	5.0%	5.0%

Source: Company, SMIFS institutional research estimates



Financial Statements

Income Statement					
YE March (Rs mn)	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e	FY24e
Revenues	91,536	87,204	104,998	133,054	155,664
% Growth	(6.6)	(4.7)	20.4	26.7	17.0
Raw Materials	49,959	51,128	61,875	77,744	90,176
% of sales	54.6	58.6	58.9	58.4	57.9
Personnel	7,958	8,432	8,090	8,749	9,922
% of sales	8.7	9.7	7.7	6.6	6.4
Other Expenses	11,815	9,831	13,091	15,533	17,242
% of sales	12.9	11.3	12.5	11.7	11.1
EBITDA	21,804	17,813	21,941	31,028	38,323
EBITDA Margin (%)	23.8	20.4	20.9	23.3	24.6
Depreciation &	3,815	4,507	4,557	5,153	5,748
<u>Amortization</u>	3,013	4,507	4,557	3,133	3,740
EBIT	17,988	13,305	17,384	25,875	32,576
Finance cost	189	165	227	288	337
PBT From Operations	17,799	13,141	17,157	25,588	32,239
OtherIncome	5,433	4,532	4,270	4,716	5,076
Share of profit of JV (VECV)	317	311	735	3,873	5,849
PBT	23,549	17,984	22,161	34,177	43,164
Tax	5,275	4,515	5,057	7,152	8,806
Tax Rate (%)	22.7	25.5	23.6	23.6	23.6
Net Profit after tax	18,274	13,469	17,105	27,025	34,357
PAT Margin	20.0	15.4	16.3	20.3	22.1

Source: Company, SMIFS institutional research estimates

Key Ratios					
YE March	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e	FY24e
Growth Ratios (%)					
Net Sales	(6.6)	(4.7)	20.4	26.7	17.0
EBITDA	(24.9)	(18.3)	23.2	41.4	23.5
Adjusted Net Profit	(17.0)	(26.3)	27.0	58.0	27.1
Margin Ratio (%)					
EBITDA Margin	23.8	20.4	20.9	23.3	24.6
EBIT Margin	19.7	15.3	16.6	19.4	20.9
PBT margins	25.7	20.6	21.1	25.7	27.
Adj. PAT Margin	20.0	15.4	16.3	20.3	22.:
Return Ratios					
ROE	19.3	12.6	14.3	20.1	22.:
ROCE	18.8	12.2	13.6	17.1	18.
ROIC	39.7	26.1	32.0	44.0	50.
Turnover Ratios (days)					
Gross Block Turnover (x)	2.8	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.4
Inventory	42	62	40	40	40
Debtors	3	7	3	3	
Creditors	74	110	100	95	9
Cash Conversion Cycle	(28)	(41)	(57)	(52)	(47
Solvency ratio (x)					
De bt-equity	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net Debt-Equity	(0.7)	(0.7)	(0.7)	(0.7)	(0.7
Gross Debt/EBITDA	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.:
Current ratio	3.4	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.
Interest coverage ratio	95	81	77	90	9
Dividend					
DPS (Rs.)	25	17	22	34	4:
Dividend Yeild (%)	0.9	0.6	0.8	1.3	1.0
Dividend Payout (%)	37.3	34.5	34.5	34.5	34.
Per share (Rs.)					
Basic EPS (reported)	67	49	63	99	120
CEPS	81	66	79	118	14
BV	366	418	459	524	60
Valuation				· · ·	
P/E	28.3	55.3	43.5	27.5	21.
P/BV	5.2	5.2	5.9	5.2	4.
EV/EBITDA	20.8	29.2	30.1	20.8	16.4
EV/Sales	4.9	6.0	6.3	4.9	4.0

Source: Company, SMIFS institutional research estimates

Balance Sheet					
YE March (Rs mn)	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e	FY24e
Sources of funds					
Capital	273	273	273	273	273
Reserves & Surplus	99,536	114,108	125,311	143,012	165,516
Shareholders' Funds	99,809	114,381	125,584	143,286	165,790
Total Loan Funds	1,444	1,574	1,900	2,408	2,817
Deffered tax liabilities	2,522	2,215	2,481	3,509	4,320
Other non-current liabilities	1,981	2,702	2,514	2,976	3,365
Total Liabilities	105,756	120,872	132,479	152,177	176,292
Application of funds					
Gross Block	36,727	41,017	50,486	59,955	69,424
Accumulated Dep.	12,006	16,156	20,713	25,866	31,614
Net Block	24,720	24,861	29,773	34,089	37,811
Capital WIP	268	639	681	705	714
Net Assets	24,988	25,500	30,453	34,795	38,524
Investments	32,394	28,261	32,018	37,025	41,683
Other non current assets	3,369	3,741	3,916	4,267	4,528
Inventories	5,724	8,746	6,781	8,520	9,882
Sundry Debtors	868	1,582	863	1,094	1,279
Cash & Bank Balances	29,506	58,304	64,440	75,391	90,731
Loans and Advances	1	4,592	4,592	4,592	4,592
Other current Assets	27,648	14,862	16,775	19,278	21,644
Total Current Assets	63,746	88,085	93,450	108,874	128,128
Sundry Creditors	10,078	15,358	16,952	20,235	22,235
Other Current Liabilities	7,927	8,454	9,540	11,613	13,274
Provisions	737	902	865	936	1,061
Total Current Liabilities	18,742	24,714	27,358	32,784	36,570
Net Current Assets	45,004	63,371	66,093	76,090	91,557
Total Assets	105,756	120,872	132,479	152,177	176,292

Source: Company, SMIFS institutional research estimates

Cash Flow							
YE March (Rs mn)	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e	FY24e		
Operating profit before WC changes	22,362	19,124	22,943	32,921	40,133		
Net chg in working capital	859	2,578	4,127	2,247	1,304		
Income taxes paid (net)	(6,283)	(4,566)	(5,057)	(7,152)	(8,806)		
Cash flow from operating activities (a)	16,941	17,136	22,013	28,017	32,631		
Ca pi tal expenditure	(5,445)	(5,375)	(9,511)	(9,494)	(9,477)		
Free Cash Flow	11,497	11,760	12,503	18,523	23,154		
Cash flow from investing activities (b)	(15,084)	(16,479)	(9,913)	(7,573)	(5,069)		
Cash flow from financing activities (c)	(8,583)	(148)	(5,964)	(9,493)	(12,222)		
Net chg in cash (a+b+c)	(6,725)	509	6,136	10,951	15,340		
Source: Company, SMIFS institutional research estimates							



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