## **Apollo Hospitals Enterprises**

**BUY** 

# Choice

Nov 8, 2024

Apollo Hospital reported earnings above our expectations, whereas the revenue was in line. Revenue stood at INR 55,893 mn, reflecting a growth of 15.3% YoY and 9.9% QoQ, driven by strong performance across the key segments. EBITDA saw a significant growth of 30% YoY and 20.8% QoQ to INR 8,155 mn, with the margin expanding by 164bps YoY and 132bps QoQ to 14.6%. ARPOB for the healthcare segment grew by 2.8% YoY, reaching INR 59,011. International patients contributed 6% to the revenue. The company expects that the factors including increased surgical volume, future case mix, and payer mix will continue to drive the ARPOB growth in the future.

- Healthcare Services: Hospital revenue grew by 14% YoY and 10.1% QoQ to INR 29,032 mn, driven by an optimized payor mix, wherein insurance patients saw a YoY growth of 13%, while the revenue from cash patients grew by 15% and due to seasonality, occupancy stood at 73%. EBITDA grew by 13.8% YoY to INR 7,220mn, with a margin of 24.9%. IP volumes grew by 8% annually, and tertiary care specialties like neurosciences, oncology, and gastro-sciences grew at a very healthy rate. The growth was achieved despite outside challenges including the flow of patients from Bangladesh, the prolonged delay in Kolkata, and the effects of the rains in Mumbai and Ahmedabad. Apollo is well poised to commission 6 facilities with around 1,400 operational beds in key strategic metro markets like NCR, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Pune, and Bangalore in FY26.
- AHLL and Diagnostics: AHLL's revenue grew by 14.0% YoY and 10.3% QoQ to INR 4,039 mn, primarily driven by the maturing network. AHLL recorded an EBITDA of INR 410mn, delivering a 30% YoY growth, and an improved margin of 10.3%. Apollo plans to become a leader in Gynecology, IVF & Oncology testing. Diagnostics revenue and EBITDA grew by 9% and 21% YoY respectively due to an increase in productivity.
- **Digital Health and Pharmacy Distribution:** The revenue for this segment grew by 17.3% YoY and 9.6% QoQ to INR 22,822mn. It has reported its first-ever quarterly profit with a PAT of INR 190mn, contributing to a sharp improvement in the consolidated PAT. The digital health sector, through the Apollo 24\*7 app, saw a user registration increase of 2mn, bringing the total to around 36mn. The company also added 154 net new stores, bringing the total number of pharmacy stores to 6,228. Private label and generic revenues were at 16.7% of total pharmacy revenue.
- Outlook & Valuation: The growth story of Apollo Hospitals is based on several factors, including increased volume and bed capacity in the healthcare service business, continuous addition of pharmacy stores, and margin expansion on a consolidated level. We expect Revenue/EBITDA/PAT to grow at a CAGR of 17%/22.8%/37.3%. We have introduced FY27E and valued the stock through a SOTP analysis, resulting in a target price of INR 8,702 with a BUY rating on the stock.

#### **Quarterly performance**

Result Snapshot (Rs.mn)	Q2FY25	Q2FY24	YoY (%)	Q1FY25	QoQ (%)
Net Sales	55,893	48,469	15.3	50,856	9.9
Material Consumed	28,577	24,585	16.2	26,230	8.9
Gross Profit	27,316	23,884	14.4	24,626	10.9
Employee Expenses	7,001	6,441	8.7	6,581	6.4
Operating Expenses	12,160	11,168	8.9	11,294	7.7
EBITDA	8,155	6,275	30.0	6,751	20.8
Depreciation	1,845	1,634	12.9	1,774	4.0
Other Income	382	222	72.1	372	2.7
EBIT	6,692	4,863	37.6	5,349	25.1
Interest Cost	1,175	1,113	5.6	1,164	0.9
PBT	5,574	3,771	47.8	4,300	29.6
Tax	1,617	1,302	24.2	1,145	41.2
Minority Interest	(169)	(159)	6.3	(103)	64.1
RPAT	3,788	2,329	62.6	3,052	24.1
APAT	3,788	2,317	63.5	3,052	24.1
EPS (Rs)	26	16	63.5	21	24.1

Segment Revenue	Q2FY25	Q2FY24	YoY (%)	Q1FY25	QoQ (%)
Healthcare services	29,032	25,472	14.0	26,373	10.1
Retail Health & Diagnostics	4,039	3,542	14.0	3,661	10.3
Digital Health & Pharmacy	22,822	19,454	17.3	20,821	9.6

Source: Company, CEBPL

CMP (Rs)	7,415
Target Price (Rs)	8,702
Potential Upside (%)	17.2
*CMP as on 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2024	
Company Info	
BB Code	APHS IN
ISIN	INE437A01024
Face Value (Rs.)	5.0
52 Week High (Rs.)	7,483
52 Week Low (Rs.)	5,088
Mkt Cap (Rs bn.)	1,066
Mkt Cap (\$ bn.)	12.6
Shares o/s (Mn.)/F.F(%)	144/70
Adj. TTM EPS (Rs)	82.3
FY27E EPS (Rs)	161.6

	Sep-24	Jun-24	Mar-24
Promoters	29.33	29.33	29.33
FII's	45.37	43.92	45.63
DII's	19.94	21.13	19.55
Public	5.35	5.61	5.49

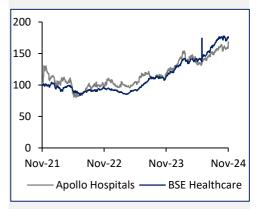
Relative Performance (%)						
YTD	3Y	<b>2</b> Y	1Y			
BSE HC	75.2	83.6	55.4			
Apollo Hospitals	68.5	69.9	44.3			

## Year end March (INR bn)

Shareholding Pattern (%)

Particular	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Revenue	190.6	223.7	262.8	305.4
Gross Profit	92.5	109.6	130.1	151.2
EBITDA	23.9	30.9	37.1	44.3
EBITDA (%)	12.5	13.8	14.1	14.5
EPS (INR)	62.4	100.3	128.5	161.6

#### **Rebased Price Performance**



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## **CEBPL Estimates vs Actual**

Particulars (Rs.mn)	Actual	CEBPL Est.	Deviation (%)
Revenue	55,893	55,255	1.2
EBIDTA	8,155	7,459	9.3
EBIDTA Margin (%)	14.6	13.5	109bps
Adj. PAT	3,788	3,313	14.4

Source: Company, CEBPL

## **Changes in Estimates**

Income Statement		FY25E			FY26E		FY27E
(INR Mn.)	New	Old	Dev. (%)	New	Old	Dev. (%)	New
Net sales	2,23,703	2,23,025	0.3	2,62,822	2,77,252	(5.2)	3,05,389
EBITDA	30,871	30,554	1.0	37,058	41,588	(10.9)	44,281
EBITDA margin(%)	13.8	13.7	10.0	14.1	15.0	(90.0)	14.5
APAT	14,423	14,202	1.6	18,484	21,655	(14.6)	23,240
EPS	100.3	98.8	1.6	128.5	150.6	(14.6)	161.6

Source: Company, CEBPL

#### **SoTP Valuation**

Segment	INR mn	(x)	Value (INR mn)
Hospitals-EBITDA (Sep-FY27)	38,118	23	8,76,721
Healthco- Revenue (Sep-FY27)	18,512	4	74,048
AHLL- Revenue (Sep-FY27)	1,12,282	3	3,36,846
Total EV			12,87,614
Less: Net Debt			36,469
Implied Market Cap			12,51,146
No. of shares			144
Target Price			8,702

## **Management Call - Highlights**

#### **Hospital Business**

- Increased surgical volume, a future-focused case mix, and payer mix optimization are expected to drive continued ARPOB (Average Revenue Per Occupied Bed) growth.
- Broad-based volume growth was reported across both Tier 1 metro and Tier 2 cities.
- High-performing service lines, such as neurosciences, exhibited strong growth, reflecting the success of strategic service expansions and targeted recruitment efforts.
- Overall occupancy rates increased to 73%, while the hospital business maintained a steady EBITDA margin of 24.9%, supported by prior investments in new doctors and increased capacity for expected volume growth.
- Further margin expansion of 100 basis points is anticipated over the next 12 months, driven by sustained volume growth and enhanced cost efficiency.
- A dip in inpatient volume growth was noted due to a decline in patient flow from Bangladesh, primarily impacting the Tamil Nadu market.
- Revenue from Bangladeshi patients decreased by approximately 27%. To counteract this, Apollo plans to target other international markets and enhance its high-end specialty offerings.

#### **Digital & Pharmacy Business**

- Margin expansion initiatives have positioned the team to potentially reach breakeven in the online segment within the next five to six quarters.
- Key growth drivers include a focus on customer acquisition through a 19-minute delivery initiative in select markets and plans for broader geographic expansion.
- Further growth is being explored via new branded pharmaceutical products, particularly in key categories such as vitamins.
- Apollo highlighted a strategic move towards an omnichannel approach, blending its online and offline capabilities for pharmacy and healthcare services to enhance customer retention and boost wallet share.

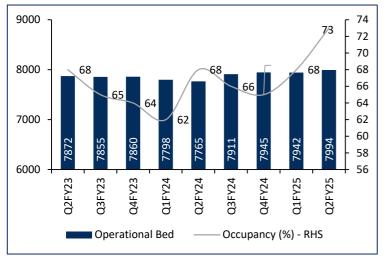
## Capex

- The company plans to establish a 500-bed hospital in a prime Mumbai location and expand the Lucknow facility to 500 beds, with an incremental 200 beds being developed on additional land.
- Six new facilities with over 1,400 operational beds are set to be commissioned in key strategic metro markets, including NCR, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Pune, and Bangalore, by FY26.
- Post-commissioning, there is a phased operationalization strategy for these 1,400 beds over a 12-month period at each facility to avoid material downsides in bidder margins.
- As per-bed hospital costs rise due to expenses in construction, land, and technology, Apollo aims to balance capital expenditure with price adjustments, ensuring a sustainable margin profile through strategic cost management and operational efficiency efforts.

#### Outlook

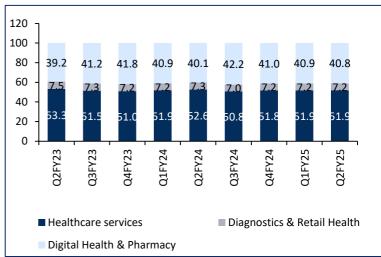
- The company aims for a revenue target of INR 25,000 crores over the next three years, with a combined EBITDA margin of 7-8% across its key business verticals.
- Apollo has reaffirmed its focus on achieving profitability for its digital initiatives, such as the Apollo 24/7 platform, prioritizing sustainable growth and profitability through efficient customer acquisition and reduced marketing costs.

#### **Operational Beds & Occupancy (%)**



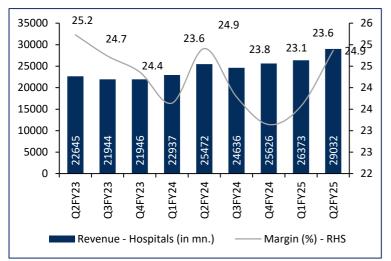
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#### Healthcare services contribute more than 50% of the revenue



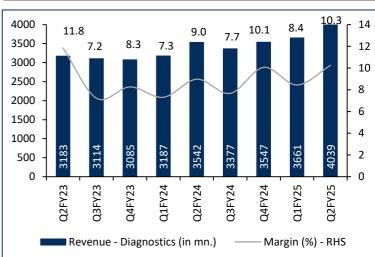
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### Hospitals Revenue (INR mn) & Margin (%)



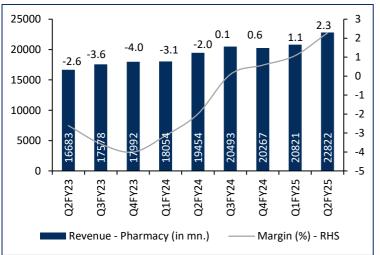
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#### Diagnostic Revenue (INR mn) & Margin (%)



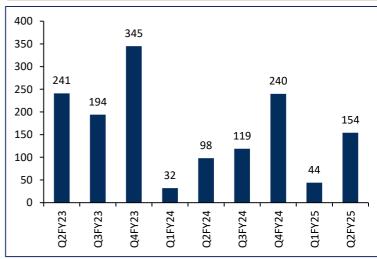
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#### Pharmacy Revenue (INR mn) & Margin (%)



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#### **Pharmacy Outlet Additions**

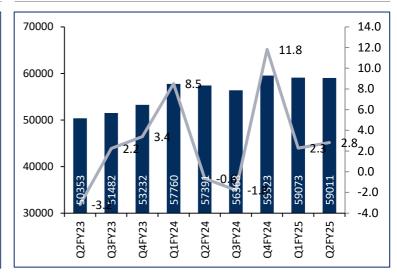


#### **Diagnostic Center**

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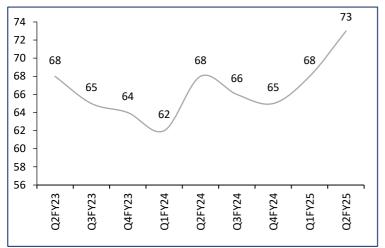
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#### ARPOB (INR)



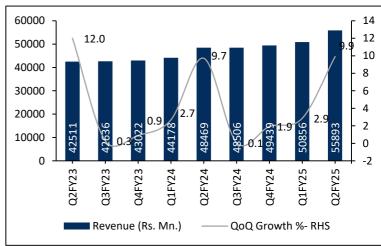
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## Occupancy (%)



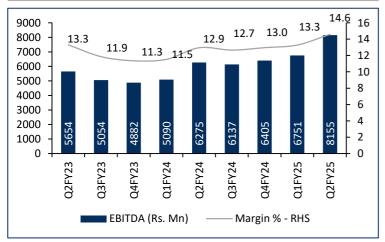
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#### Revenue (Rs. Mn.) & QoQ Growth (%)



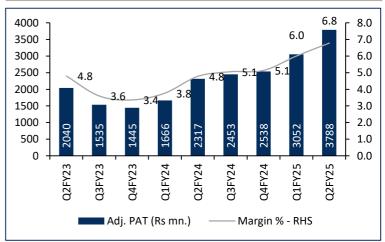
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#### EBITDA (Rs. Mn) & Margin (%)

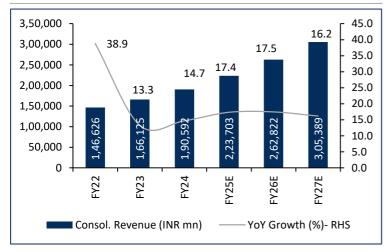


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#### Adj. PAT (Rs mn) & Margin (%)

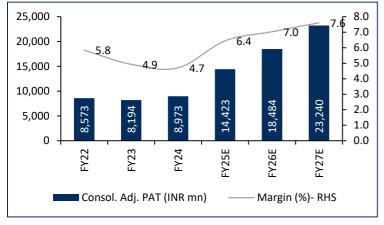


#### Consol. Revenue (INR mn) & YoY Growth (%)



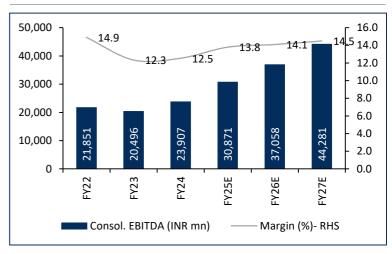
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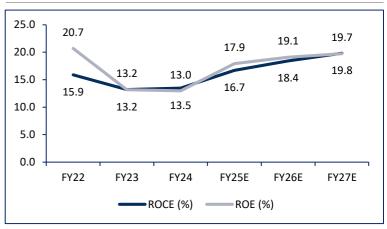
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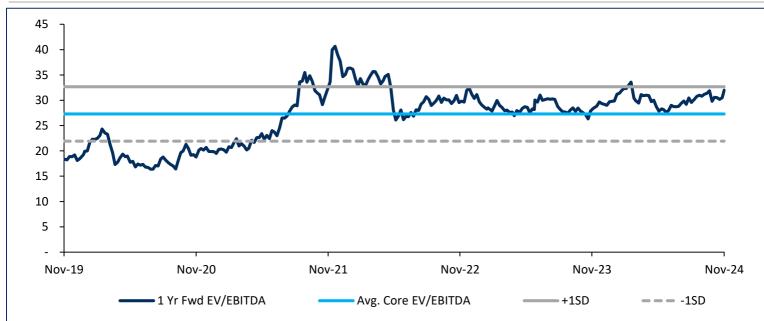
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## **ROCE (%) & ROE (%)**



Source: Company, CEBPL

#### 1 Year forward EV/EBITDA Band (x)



## Income statement (Consolidated in INR Mn.)

Income Statement	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Revenue	1,46,626	1,66,125	1,90,592	2,23,703	2,62,822	3,05,389
Gross profit	70,892	80,382	92,537	1,09,615	1,30,097	1,51,168
EBITDA	21,851	20,496	23,907	30,871	37,058	44,281
Depreciation	6,007	6,152	6,870	7,542	8,147	8,807
EBIT	15,844	14,344	17,037	23,329	28,911	35,475
Interest expense	3,786	3,808	4,494	4,431	4,329	4,227
Other income	781	903	1,063	1,169	1,286	1,415
EO Items	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reported PAT	11,084	8,446	8,986	14,423	18,484	23,240
Minority Interest	(528)	-	(364)	250	250	250
Adj. PAT	8,573	8,446	8,973	14,423	18,484	23,240
EPS	59.6	58.7	62.4	100.3	128.5	161.6
NOPAT	22,663	20,491	25,155	33,327	41,301	50,678

## Balance sheet (Consolidated in INR Mn.)

Balance Sheet	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Net worth	59,028	65,313	73,205	87,628	1,06,112	1,29,352
Deferred Tax	5,221	4,304	4,389	52,126	50,926	49,726
Borrowings	40,681	43,324	53,326	25,741	28,802	31,794
Trade Payables	16,318	19,157	23,686	1,013	1,013	1,013
Other non-current liabilities	6,412	6,933	1,013	10,623	9,560	8,604
Other current liabilities	4,950	5,127	11,803	1,81,081	1,99,969	2,23,689
Total Net Worth & liabilities	1,32,610	1,44,157	1,67,422	89255	93108	96301
Net Block	82969	85278	96920	10123	10123	10123
Capital WIP	440	6017	8447	8447	8447	8447
Investments & Others	13,526	12,328	16,032	19,532	24,532	30,532
Trade Receivables	17,647	22,342	25,149	29,419	36,003	43,508
Cash & Bank	9,241	7,758	9,338	11,167	12,180	15,535
Other non-current assets	41	56	66	67	69	70
Other current assets	8,746	10,377	11,470	13,071	15,507	19,174
Total Assets	1,32,610	1,44,157	1,67,422	1,81,081	1,99,969	2,23,689
Net Debt	31,441	35,565	43,988	40,959	38,746	34,191

Cash Flows	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Cash flows from operations	16,959	13,771	19,202	16,026	18,061	20,703
Cash flows from investing	(8,471)	(8,706)	(15,372)	(13,500)	(17,000)	(18,000)
Cash flows from financing	(7,915)	(6,334)	(3,111)	(5,631)	(5,529)	(5,427)
Capex	(6,518)	(14,764)	(18,512)	(10,000)	(12,000)	(12,000)
FCFF	10,441	(993)	(1,446)	6,026	5,061	7,703

Growth Ratios	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Revenues	38.9	13.3	14.7	17.4	17.5	16.2
EBITDA	92.1	(6.2)	16.6	29.1	20.0	19.5
PAT	654.2	(1.5)	9.5	60.7	28.2	25.7
Margins		(===)				
EBITDA Margin	14.9	12.3	12.5	13.8	14.1	14.5
PAT Margin	5.8	5.1	4.7	6.4	7.0	7.6
Performance Ratio						
OCF/EBITDA (x)	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.5
OCF/IC	41	37	51	30	27	25
Return on equity (ROE)	20.7	13.6	13.0	17.9	19.1	19.7
Return on capital employed (ROCE)	15.9	13.2	13.5	16.7	18.4	19.8
Turnover Ration (Days)						
Inventory days (x)	11	14	9	9	10	12
Receivable days (x)	44	46	48	48	50	52
Creditor days (x)	41	39	45	42	40	38
Working Capital days (x)	14	21	12	15	20	26
Financial Stability Ratio						
Net debt to Equity (x)	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1
Net debt to EBITDA (x)	1.4	1.7	1.8	1.3	1.0	0.8
Interest Cover(x)	4.2	3.8	3.8	5.3	6.7	8.4
Earnings						
Fully diluted shares (mn)	144	144	144	144	144	144
Price (INR)	7,425	7,425	7,425	7,425	7,425	7,425
Market Cap(INR Mn)	10,67,509	10,67,509	10,67,657	10,67,657	10,67,657	10,67,657
PE(x)	96	130	119	74	58	46
EV (INR Mn)	11,03,435	11,05,744	11,18,121	11,18,706	11,19,494	11,17,939
EV/EBITDA (x)	50	54	47	36	30	25
Book Value (INR/share)	821	909	1018	1219	1476	1799
Price to BV (x)	9.0	8.2	7.3	6.1	5.0	4.1
EV/OCF (x)	65.1	80.3	58.2	69.8	62.0	54.0

#### Historical recommendations and target price: Apollo Hospitals



#### **Apollo Hospitals**

1.	21-03-2023	OUTPERFORM,	Target Price Rs.5,319
2.	01-06-2023	ADD,	Target Price Rs. 5,160
3.	14-08-2023	ADD,	Target Price Rs. 5,466
4.	12-11-2023	ADD,	Target Price Rs. 5,656
5.	11-02-2024	ADD,	Target Price Rs. 6,978
6.	01-06-2024	BUY,	Target Price Rs. 6.570
7.	17-08-2024	BUY,	Target Price Rs.7,219
3.	08-11-2024	BUY,	Target Price Rs.8,702

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