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# Inventurus Knowledge Solutions

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# Second big leap: Upward integration in client engagements

**Event:** Inventurus Knowledge Solutions Ltd (IKS) announced a USD 17mn investment via its US subsidiary to acquire a 48.02% stake in IKS WWMG MSO LLC, a newly formed Management Services Organization (MSO) in the US.

**I-Sec's remarks**: We reckon a resemblance with the Palomar-like deal blueprint (announced in Q3FY25, wherein IKS paid USD 16.5mn). This JV investment reflects IKS' maturing capital strategy—moving from balance-sheet leveraged deals to structured, transparent, and accountable JVs. It will likely forge client stickiness for IKS. Success shall hinge on disciplined execution, integration with core offerings, and realisation of strategic and financial synergies. We maintain our **ADD** rating on IKS with a Q2FY27 TP of INR 1,820 (based on 35x target P/E). Key risk: Lack of cost and revenue synergies with Aquity.

## The WHY: Key emerging macro trends are adverse

1) Physician aggregation model has fallen short amid higher cost of care and utilisation. 2) Shift towards value-based care from quantity-based is yet to yield desired profitability. 3) Healthcare provider margins (single digit) unaligned with healthcare IT (~25%). These industry headwinds have urged IKS Health to explore innovative client engagement models.

# The HOW: Moving from plain vanilla deal structure to combining capabilities with capital, leading to more skin in the game

IKS has come up with three key client engagement models: 1) Underwriting performance outcome model (e.g., Palomar Health – running successfully currently). 2) Investing in medical group growth. 3) JV structure, which has the lowest level of capital requirement – currently in use for WWMG deal. These constructs lead to higher EBITDA gains on top of ~900bps of EBITDA gain just from platform implementation – from synergies (220bps) and compounding effect (60bps), resulting in total EBITDA gains worth 1,170bps.

# The WHAT: Key features of WWMG investment

1) Upstream alignment with physician group via MSO. 2) The practice shall pay the MSO a management fee equal to 62.6% of collections for non-clinical services, retaining 37.4% for provider compensation. 3) The entity's RoE should reach the group level (not tough given RoE track record of IKS' strategic investments; **Exhibit: 4**). 4) Pre-money MSO valuation of USD 18.4mn. 5) Key edge of this construct – locking the customer into a longer timeline, enabling higher revenue visibility. <u>IKS is a capital-prudent entity, but such investments are required to cement its position as a transformation partner, according to management.</u>

# **Financial Summary**

Y/E March (INR mn)	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Net Revenue	26,640	31,598	38,745	47,602
EBITDA	7,692	9,830	12,212	15,480
EBITDA Margin (%)	28.9	31.1	31.5	32.5
Net Profit	4,863	6,180	8,168	11,000
EPS (INR)	29.2	37.1	49.1	66.1
EPS % Chg YoY	31.9	27.1	32.2	34.7
P/E (x)	55.1	43.4	32.8	24.4
EV/EBITDA (x)	38.5	29.5	23.1	17.6
RoCE (%)	24.7	27.0	28.2	28.0
RoE (%)	33.0	29.4	29.0	29.1

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## Market Data

Market Cap (INR)	276bn
Market Cap (USD)	3,220mn
Bloomberg Code	IKS IN
Reuters Code	INUV.BO
52-week Range (INR)	2,190/1,226
Free Float (%)	15.0
ADTV-3M (mn) (USD)	8.2

Price Performance (%)	3m	6m	12m
Absolute	5.3	(16.1)	0.0
Relative to Sensex	(2.7)	(23.1)	0.0

ESG Score	2023	2024	Change
ESG score	NA	NA	NA
Environment	NA	NA	NA
Social	NA	NA	NA
Governance	NA	NA	NA

**Note** - Score ranges from 0 - 100 with a higher score indicating higher ESG disclosures.

Source: SES ESG, I-sec research

## **Previous Reports**

02-07-2025: <u>Company update</u> 19-05-2025: <u>Q4FY25 results review</u>

# **Other highlights**

- **US healthcare industry facing headwinds:** This is a tough time for the industry given: 1) reimbursements adjusted for inflation are declining with revenue having grown by 10% and costs up 15%; and 2) operating costs synergies have not played out upon aggregation in the manner envisaged.
- IKS positioning its comprehensive platform with value propositions across dimensions such as: 1) reducing overall cost of operations; 2) enabling better quality of care; 3) facilitating expanded capacity and access; and 4) reducing cost of care.
- This engagement is similar to the full platform-based Palomar deal, wherein IKS is able to offer synergies from a full platform implementation and lock in the client for longer timeline, thus creating revenue predictability.
- This MSO can include other clients in its fold, or a similar construct can be implemented for other physician groups.
- Company vets the customer across several parameters prior to offering upstream alignment engagement constructs. Cultural and mindset alignment with physicians is key. Traditional sales engine has been given mandate to only do arms-length deal transactions.

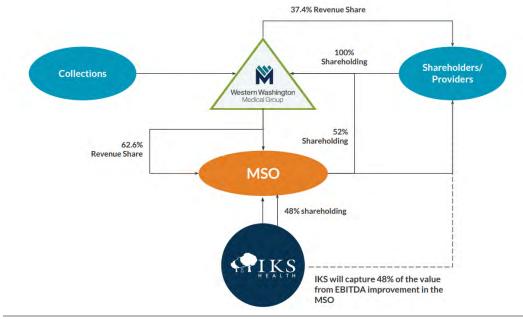


# Exhibit 1: Western Washington Medical Group at a glance

Source: Company data, I-Sec research



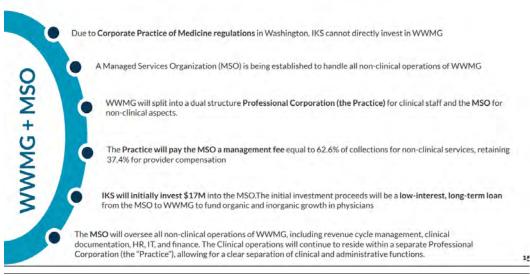
# **Exhibit 2:** Transaction structure



Source: Company data, I-Sec research

# Exhibit 3: Transaction structure – Genesis of the MSO

# **Transaction Structure - Genesis of the MSO**



Source: Company data, I-Sec research

# Exhibit 4: Solid track record of return on strategic investments so far

Strategic Investments	Status	Investment	Sale price/ Current Value	Total ROE	Investment CAGR
Lightbeam Health	Invested	100,000	1,300,000	1200%	33%
Sift Medical Data Inc	Sold	2,000,000	4,097,463	105%	94%
Abridge Al Inc	Invested	1,249,998	22,686,240	1715%	325%
Abridge Al Inc	Sold	3,750,002	14,092,144	276%	255%

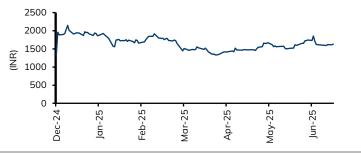
The current valuation of securities is an estimate derived from recent fundraising value

Source: Company data, I-Sec research

# Exhibit 5: Shareholding pattern

Dec'24	Mar'25
63.7	63.7
9.9	9.4
1.9	1.7
2.2	2.2
0.3	0.1
5.5	5.4
26.4	26.9
	63.7 9.9 1.9 2.2 0.3 5.5

## Exhibit 6: Price chart



Source: Bloomberg, I-Sec research

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# **Financial Summary**

# Exhibit 7: Profit & Loss

# (INR mn, year ending March)

	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Net Sales (USD mn)	315	367	445	541
Net Sales (INR mn)	26,640	31,598	38,745	47,602
Operating Expense	18,948	21,768	26,533	32,122
EBITDA	7,692	9,830	12,212	15,480
EBITDA Margin (%)	28.9	31.1	31.5	32.5
Depreciation & Amortization	1,126	1,349	1,585	1,736
EBIT	6,566	8,481	10,627	13,744
Interest expenditure	898	781	517	-
Other Non-operating Income	214	123	361	542
Recurring PBT	6,065	7,823	10,471	14,286
Profit / (Loss) from				
Associates	-	-	-	-
Less: Taxes	1,202	1,643	2,304	3,286
PAT	4,863	6,180	8,168	11,000
Less: Minority Interest	-	-	-	-
Net Income (Reported)	4,863	6,180	8,168	11,000
Extraordinaries (Net)	-	-	-	-
Recurring Net Income	4,863	6,180	8,168	11,000

Source Company data, I-Sec research

## **Exhibit 8: Balance sheet**

## (INR mn, year ending March)

	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Total Current Assets	8,055	12,659	16,895	28,756
of which cash & cash eqv.	1,804	5,316	7,977	17,887
Total Current Liabilities & Provisions	2,523	2,866	3,360	3,972
Net Current Assets	5,532	9,794	13,535	24,784
Investments	1,137	1,137	1,137	1,137
Net Fixed Assets	412	410	407	402
ROU Assets	828	460	142	154
Capital Work-in-Progress	53	53	53	53
Goodwill	11,973	11,973	11,973	11,973
Other assets	3,295	3,295	3,295	3,295
Deferred Tax Assets	-	-	-	-
Total Assets	27,996	31,629	34,793	45,793
Liabilities				
Borrowings	5,093	2,546	-	-
Deferred Tax Liability	1,325	1,325	1,325	1,325
provisions	201	201	201	201
other Liabilities	17	17	17	17
Minority Interest	-	-	-	-
Equity Share Capital	170	170	170	170
Reserves & Surplus*	17,727	23,907	32,074	43,074
Total Net Worth	17,897	24,077	32,245	43,245
Total Liabilities	27,996	31,629	34,793	45,793

Source Company data, I-Sec research

# **Exhibit 9: Quarterly trend**

(INR mn, year ending March)

	Jun-24	Sep-24	Dec-24	Mar-25
Net Sales	6,400	6,428	6,572	7,240
% growth (YOY)			15.9%	16.8%
EBITDA	1,700	1,890	1,816	2,286
Margin %	26.6%	29.4%	27.6%	31.6%
Other Income	39	7	192	-24
Adjusted Net Profit	958	1,129	1,298	1,479

Source Company data, I-Sec research

## **Exhibit 10: Cashflow statement**

(INR mn, year ending March)

	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
CFO before WC changes	7,153	9,049	11,695	15,480
CFO after WC changes	2,017	9,080	11,132	14,141
Capital Commitments	247	722	1,007	1,488
Free Cashflow	2,932	6,716	7,821	9,368
Other investing cashflow	1,553	123	361	542
Cashflow from Investing Activities	2,444	(599)	(646)	(945)
Issue of Share Capital	(734)	(781)	(517)	-
Interest Cost	-	-	-	-
Inc (Dec) in Borrowings	-	-	-	-
Cash flow from Financing Activities	(3,895)	(3,327)	(5,521)	-
Dividend paid	-	-	-	-
Others	668	-	-	-
Chg. in Cash & Bank balance	1,729	3,512	2,661	9,910
Closing cash & balance	3,167	5,316	7,977	17,887

Source Company data, I-Sec research

# Exhibit 11: Key ratios

(Year ending March)

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	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Per Share Data (INR)				
Reported EPS	29.2	37.1	49.1	66.1
Diluted EPS	29.2	37.1	49.1	66.1
Cash EPS	36.0	45.2	58.6	76.5
Dividend per share (DPS)	-	-	-	-
Book Value per share (BV)	107.5	144.6	193.7	259.7
Dividend Payout (%)	-	-	-	-
Growth (%)				
Net Sales	46.5	18.6	22.6	22.9
EBITDA	47.8	27.8	24.2	26.8
EPS	31.9	27.1	32.2	34.7
Valuation Ratios (x)				
P/E	55.1	43.4	32.8	24.4
P/CEPS	44.8	35.6	27.5	21.0
P/BV	15.0	11.1	8.3	6.2
EV / EBITDA	38.5	29.5	23.1	17.6
P/S	10.9	9.2	7.5	6.1
Dividend Yield (%)	-	-	-	-
Operating Ratios				
EBITDA Margins (%)	28.9	31.1	31.5	32.5
EBIT Margins (%)	24.6	26.8	27.4	28.9
Effective Tax Rate (%)	19.8	21.0	22.0	23.0
Net Profit Margins (%)	18.3	19.6	21.1	23.1
Inventory Turnover Days	_	_	_	_
Fixed Asset Turnover (x)	53.5	68.0	83.9	104.0
Receivables Days	63	70	69	69
Payables Days	10	10	9	9
Working Capital Days	40	47	47	48
Net Debt / EBITDA (x)	0.7	0.0	(0.7)	(1.2)
Profitability Ratios				
RoCE (%)	24.7	27.0	28.2	28.0
RoIC (%)	25.2	31.3	37.3	45.4
RoNW (%)	33.0	29.4	29.0	29.1
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Source Company data, I-Sec research



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