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Q1FY25 Result Update

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Change in Estimates

	Cur	rent	Prev	/ious
	FY25E	FY26E	FY25E	FY26E
Rating	RED	UCE	SI	ELL
Target Price	2	11	1	70
Sales (Rs. bn)	1,371	1,387	1,357	1,375
% Chng.	1.1	0.9		
EBITDA (Rs. bn)	146	150	134	133
% Chng.	8.8	12.9		
EPS (Rs.)	14.4	14.6	13.1	12.8
% Chng.	10.0	13.9		

Key Financials - Standalone

Y/e Mar	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Sales (Rs. bn)	1,443	1,306	1,371	1,387
EBITDA (Rs. bn)	67	133	146	150
Margin (%)	4.7	10.2	10.7	10.8
PAT (Rs. bn)	53	88	95	96
EPS (Rs.)	8.1	13.4	14.4	14.6
Gr. (%)	(51.7)	65.4	7.9	1.1
DPS (Rs.)	4.0	5.5	5.9	6.0
Yield (%)	1.7	2.3	2.5	2.5
RoE (%)	9.6	14.7	14.2	13.2
RoCE (%)	6.4	13.2	13.1	12.4
EV/Sales (x)	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	25.7	13.1	11.9	11.7
PE (x)	29.8	18.0	16.7	16.5
P/BV (x)	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.1

Key Data	GAIL.BO GAIL IN
52-W High / Low	Rs.246 / Rs.112
Sensex / Nifty	81,741 / 24,951
Market Cap	Rs.1,584bn/ \$ 18,923m
Shares Outstanding	6,575m
3M Avg. Daily Value	Rs.5824.22m

Shareholding Pattern (%)

Promoter's	51.92
Foreign	15.20
Domestic Institution	18.13
Public & Others	14.75
Promoter Pledge (Rs bn)	-

Stock Performance (%)

	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	9.8	39.6	102.3
Relative	6.1	22.6	64.7

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GAIL (India) (GAIL IN)

Rating: REDUCE | CMP: Rs241 | TP: Rs211

Strong operating performance, but valuations seem expensive

Quick Pointers:

- Transmission and trading EBIT came in strong at Rs14.5bn (up 47.3% QoQ) and Rs20.3bn (up 46.4% QoQ), respectively.
- Although overall trading volume remained flat QoQ, domestic volume grew 5% due to surge in demand from power sector.

We raise our EPS estimates by 10/13.9% for FY25/26 factoring in increase in transmission and trading margins. GAIL reported better-than-estimated EBITDA of Rs45.3bn (up 27.3% QoQ, PLe: Rs35.6bn) while PAT came in at Rs27.2bn (up 25.1% QoQ, PLe: Rs23.2bn). Increase in earnings was on account of strong transmission and trading performance. Transmission volume grew 6.6% QoQ with 23% improvement in EBITDA. While trading volume remained flat QoQ, its EBITDA grew 40% QoQ. Going forward, we build in volume growth of 9%/6% CAGR in transmission/trading segment over FY24-26E. The stock is currently trading at 16.5x FY26 EPS and is expensively valued. We re-rate the stock from 'Sell' to 'Reduce' with a TP of Rs211, valuing it at 13x FY26 adj EPS of Rs12.9 and listed/unlisted investments at Rs43.

- Significant YoY growth in transmission volume: Transmission volume increased 13.3% YoY to 131.8mmscmd. On a QoQ basis, volume grew 6.6%. Trading volume remained flat QoQ and YoY at 99.5mmscmd. Petchem sales declined 30.2% QoQ to 169KT (up 4.3% YoY) due to turnaround undertaken in Q1. Similarly, LPG sales fell 14.3% QoQ and 11.9% YoY to 156KT. Going ahead, in line with the company's guidance, we estimate transmission volumes at 132/142 mmscmd and gas trading volume at 105/110mmscmd in FY25/26E.
- Transmission/trading EBITDA improves remarkably: Transmission EBITDA came in at Rs19.6bn, up 23% QoQ and trading EBITDA at Rs22.9bn increased 40.4% QoQ. On a YoY basis, transmission/trading EBITDA grew significantly by 45.5%/107.2%. Further, transmission EBIT grew 47% QoQ/41% YoY to Rs14.5bn, and trading EBIT grew 46% QoQ/101%YoY to Rs20.3bn. Petchem EBITDA declined 70.9% QoQ/171.7% YoY to Rs1.2bn. The segment reported an EBIT loss of Rs0.4bn (against an EBIT of Rs2.6bn in Q4). LPG transmission segment's EBITDA remained flat QoQ at Rs1bn (up 4.2% YoY). EBIT for this segment increased 6.8% QoQ to Rs0.8bn (flat YoY). Going ahead, we build in a transmission margin of Rs71bn/Rs73bn and a marketing margin of Rs65bn/Rs59bn for FY25/26.
- Concall highlights: 1) Marketing margin guidance of minimum Rs45bn for FY25. 2) On a full-year basis, transmission guidance stands at 130-132mmscmd for FY25, 140-142mmscmd for FY26, and 152mmscmd for FY27.
 Capex incurred in Q1 stood at Rs16.6bn on pipelines (Rs5bn), petchem (Rs5bn), CGD (Rs0.3bn), and operational capex and others (Rs4bn). Capex guidance for FY25/26 stands at Rs114.5bn/Rs101bn. 4) Breakwater facility work at Dabhol LNG terminal is in progress. Post monsoon, it will become an all-weather terminal. 5) Gail Gas volume stood at 7.11mmscmd.

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Exhibit 1: Quarterly Financials

Y/e March (Rs bn)	Q1 FY25	Q4 FY24	QoQ gr.	Q1 FY25E	% Var	Q1 FY24	YoY gr.
Net Sales	336.9	323.3	4.2%	334.5	0.7%	322.3	4.5%
YoY Change (%)	5.9	0.3		5.1		-16.3	
Raw Materials Consumption	266.7	268.3	-0.6%	268.1	-0.5%	266.2	0.2%
Employee Costs	5.2	6.2	-16.6%	5.1	0.9%	4.9	5.9%
Other Exp	19.8	13.3	48.8%	25.3	-21.8%	26.9	-26.5%
EBITDA	45.3	35.6	27.3%	36.0	25.8%	24.3	86.1%
Margin (%)	13%	11%		11%		8%	
Depreciation	10.5	11.6	-9.6%	8.6	21.7%	6.4	65.0%
Interest	2.1	1.9	8.3%	1.9	12.4%	1.8	19.0%
Other Income	3.7	6.4	-41.7%	5.7	-34.8%	2.7	38.9%
PBT	36.4	28.4	28.1%	31.2	16.7%	18.9	92.8%
Tax	9.2	6.6	38.0%	8.0	14.9%	4.8	92.5%
Rate (%)	25.2	23.4		25.6	-1.5%	25.2	
PAT	27.2	21.8	25.1%	23.2	17.3%	14.1	92.9%
Adj PAT	27.2	21.8	25.1%	23.2	17.3%	14.1	92.9%

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 2: Segmental EBIT breakup

Segmental EBIT (Rs bn)	Q1 FY25	Q4 FY24	QoQ gr.	Q1 FY25E	% Var	Q1 FY24	YoY gr.
Gas Transmission	14.5	9.8	47.3%	12.0	21.0%	10.2	41.2%
LPG Transmission	0.8	0.8	6.8%	0.8	-1.3%	0.8	0.7%
Natural Gas Trading	20.3	13.9	46.4%	13.6	49.8%	10.1	100.5%
Petrochemicals	-0.4	2.6	NA	2.0	NA	-3.0	86.2%
LPG & Liq.HC (pre-subsidy)	2.3	3.3	-29.6%	2.8	-18.1%	2.0	13.7%
Unallocated; GAILTEL	1.7	-0.7	NA	1.9	-10.7%	1.5	9.6%
Total	39.2	29.6	32.2%	33.1	18.4%	21.7	80.3%

Source: Company, PL

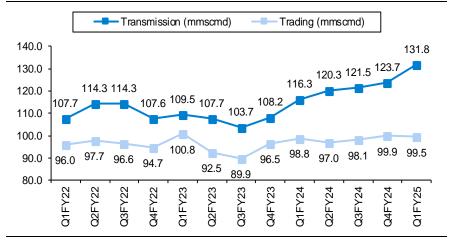


Exhibit 3: Segment wise Performance

Y/e March (Rs bn)	Q1FY25	Q4FY24	QoQ gr.	Q1FY24	YoY gr.
Gas Transmission Business					
Volume (mmscmd)	131.8	123.7	6.6%	116.3	13.3%
Gross Revenue	28.7	26.7	7.3%	25.9	10.5%
EBITDA	19.7	16.0	23.0%	13.5	45.5%
EBIT	14.5	9.8	47.3%	10.2	41.2%
Average tariff (Rs/mscm)	2260.3	2400.0	-5.8%	2450.4	-7.8%
EBITDA (Rs/mscm)	1639.3	1436.9	14.1%	1276.2	28.5%
EBIT (Rs/mscm)	1206.4	882.8	36.7%	967.9	24.6%
LPG Transmission Business					
Volumes ('000 MT)	1065.0	1114.0	-4.4%	1073.0	-0.7%
Gross Revenues	1.8	1.9	-3.3%	1.8	1.3%
EBITDA	1.0	1.0	1.0%	1.8	-43.7%
EBIT	0.8	0.8	6.8%	0.8	0.7%
Average tariff (Rs/mscm)	1602.8	1668.7	-3.9%	1654.9	-3.1%
EBITDA (Rs/mscm)	939.0	888.7	5.7%	894.7	4.9%
EBIT (Rs/mscm)	758.2	678.6	11.7%	747.3	1.5%
Gas Trading Business					
Volumes (mmscmd)	99.5	99.9	-0.4%	98.8	0.6%
Revenues	294.4	284.4	3.5%	283.8	3.7%
EBIT	20.3	13.9	46.4%	10.1	100.5%
Revenue(Rs/mscm)	32520.5	31634.0	2.8%	31554.7	3.1%
EBIT (Rs/mscm)	2245.7	1544.5	45.4%	1127.0	99.3%
Petrochemicals Business					
Volumes ('000 MT)	169.0	242.0	-30.2%	162.0	4.3%
Gross Revenues	16.3	22.6	-27.7%	17.0	-4.2%
EBITDA	1.2	4.3	-70.9%	-1.7	-171.7%
EBIT	-0.4	2.6	NA	-3.0	86.2%
Realization (INR/kg)	92.5	93.2	-0.8%	105.2	-12.1%
EBITDA (INR/kg)	7.3	17.6	-58.3%	-10.7	-168.7%
EBIT (INR/kg)	-2.5	10.8	NA	-18.6	86.8%
LPG & Liquid Hydrocarbons Business					
Volumes ('000 MT)	218.0	190.0	14.7%	247.0	-11.7%
Gross Revenues	11.7	14.3	-17.9%	13.2	-11.3%
EBITDA	2.7	3.6	-26.3%	2.3	18.2%
EBIT	2.3	3.3	-29.6%	2.0	13.7%
Realization (INR/MT)	53695.4	75047.4	-28.5%	53401.6	0.6%
EBITDA (INR/MT)	12201.8	19000.0	-35.8%	9109.3	33.9%
EBIT (INR/MT)	10543.6	17188.9	-38.7%	8182.2	28.9%

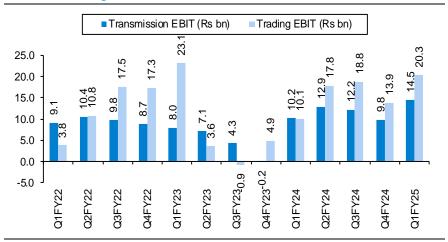
Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 4: Transmission volume grew 6.6% QoQ



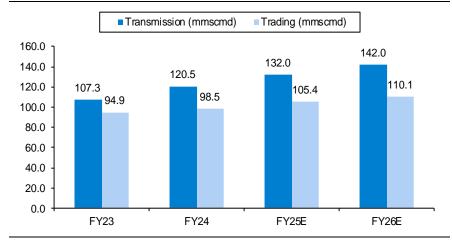
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Exhibit 5: Trading EBIT rises 46% QoQ



Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 6: Transmission/trading volumes expected to grow 9%/6% CAGR over FY24-26E



Source: Company, PL

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Financials

Income Statement	(Rs bn)
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Y/e Mar	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Net Revenues	1,443	1,306	1,371	1,387
YoY gr. (%)	57.5	(9.5)	5.0	1.1
Cost of Goods Sold	1,289	1,071	1,119	1,126
Gross Profit	154	236	252	261
Margin (%)	10.7	18.0	18.4	18.8
Employee Cost	18	21	22	23
Other Expenses	69	82	83	89
EBITDA	67	133	146	150
YoY gr. (%)	(53.6)	97.5	10.3	2.4
Margin (%)	4.7	10.2	10.7	10.8
Depreciation and Amortization	25	33	36	36
EBIT	42	99	111	114
Margin (%)	2.9	7.6	8.1	8.2
Net Interest	3	7	7	8
Other Income	27	23	23	22
Profit Before Tax	66	115	127	128
Margin (%)	4.6	8.8	9.3	9.2
Total Tax	13	27	32	32
Effective tax rate (%)	19.4	23.6	25.2	25.2
Profit after tax	53	88	95	96
Minority interest	-	-	-	-
Share Profit from Associate	-	-	-	-
Adjusted PAT	53	88	95	96
YoY gr. (%)	(51.7)	65. <i>4</i>	7.9	1.1
Margin (%)	3.7	6.7	6.9	6.9
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	53	88	95	96
YoY gr. (%)	(51.7)	65.4	7.9	1.1
Margin (%)	3.7	6.7	6.9	6.9
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	53	88	95	96
Equity Shares O/s (bn)	7	7	7	7
EPS (Rs)	8.1	13.4	14.4	14.6

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs I	on)			
Y/e Mar	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Non-Current Assets				
Gross Block	703	768	885	985
Tangibles	703	768	885	985
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Acc: Dep / Amortization	281	314	349	386
Tangibles	281	314	349	386
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Net fixed assets	423	454	535	599
Tangibles	423	454	535	599
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Capital Work In Progress	137	159	139	139
Goodwill	-	-	-	-
Non-Current Investments	148	211	211	211
Net Deferred tax assets	(47)	(50)	(50)	(50)
Other Non-Current Assets	-	-	-	-
Current Assets				
Investments	-	-	-	-
Inventories	53	53	56	56
Trade receivables	114	107	112	113
Cash & Bank Balance	4	7	23	34
Other Current Assets	49	51	51	51
Total Assets	961	1,095	1,180	1,257
Equity				
Equity Share Capital	66	66	66	66
Other Equity	491	576	632	689
Total Networth	557	642	698	755
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term borrowings	143	164	182	199
Provisions	-	-	-	-
Other non current liabilities	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities				
ST Debt / Current of LT Debt	-	-	-	-
Trade payables	-	-	-	-
Other current liabilities	215	240	251	253
Total Equity & Liabilities	961	1,095	1,180	1,257

Source: Company Data, PL Research

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FY26E

FY25E



Cash Flow (Rs bn)				
Y/e Mar	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
PBT	66	116	127	128
Add. Depreciation	25	33	36	36
Add. Interest	3	7	7	8
Less Financial Other Income	27	23	23	22
Add. Other	(20)	(15)	-	-
Op. profit before WC changes	74	140	170	172
Net Changes-WC	(31)	6	6	1
Direct tax	(15)	(27)	(32)	(32)
Net cash from Op. activities	28	118	143	141
Capital expenditures	(73)	(70)	(100)	(100)
Interest / Dividend Income	-	-	-	-
Others	8	(10)	-	-
Net Cash from Invt. activities	(66)	(80)	(100)	(100)
Issue of share cap. / premium	-	-	-	-
Debt changes	80	21	18	17
Dividend paid	(31)	(36)	(39)	(39)
Interest paid	(6)	(11)	(7)	(8)
Others	(18)	(8)	-	-
Net cash from Fin. activities	26	(34)	(28)	(30)
Net change in cash	(12)	4	15	12
Free Cash Flow	(45)	48	43	41

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Quarterly Financials (Rs bn)

Y/e Mar	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25
Net Revenue	318	343	323	337
YoY gr. (%)	(17.3)	(3.2)	(1.6)	4.5
Raw Material Expenses	260	278	259	270
Gross Profit	58	65	64	67
Margin (%)	18.2	18.9	19.8	19.9
EBITDA	35	38	36	45
YoY gr. (%)	97.8	1,362.7	1,058.3	86.1
Margin (%)	11.0	11.2	11.0	13.4
Depreciation / Depletion	8	8	12	10
EBIT	27	30	24	35
Margin (%)	8.6	8.9	7.4	10.3
Net Interest	2	2	2	2
Other Income	6	8	6	4
Profit before Tax	31	37	28	36
Margin (%)	9.8	10.8	8.8	10.8
Total Tax	7	9	7	9
Effective tax rate (%)	23.2	23.0	23.4	25.2
Profit after Tax	24	28	22	27
Minority interest	-	-	-	-
Share Profit from Associates	-	-	-	-
Adjusted PAT	24	28	22	27
YoY gr. (%)	56.5	1,056.8	260.7	92.9
Margin (%)	7.6	8.3	6.7	8.1
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	24	28	22	27
YoY gr. (%)	56.5	1,056.8	260.7	92.9
Margin (%)	7.6	8.3	6.7	8.1
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	24	28	22	27
Avg. Shares O/s (bn)	7	7	7	7
EPS (Rs)	3.7	4.3	3.3	4.1

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Per Share(Rs)				
EPS	8.1	13.4	14.4	14.6
CEPS	11.9	18.4	19.8	20.1
BVPS	84.6	97.6	106.1	114.8
FCF	(6.9)	7.3	6.6	6.3
DPS	4.0	5.5	5.9	6.0
Return Ratio(%)				
RoCE	6.4	13.2	13.1	12.4
ROIC	4.4	9.1	9.6	9.3
RoE	9.6	14.7	14.2	13.2
Balance Sheet				

FY23

FY24

Net Debt : Equity (x) 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 Net Working Capital (Days) Valuation(x) PER 29.8 18.0 16.7 16.5 P/B 2.5 2.1 2.8 2.3 P/CEPS 20.3 13.1 12.0 EV/EBITDA 25.7 13.1 11.9 11.7 EV/Sales 1.2 1.3 1.3 1.3 Dividend Yield (%) 1.7 2.3 2.5 2.5

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Key Operating Metrics

Key Financial Metrics

Y/e Mar

Y/e Mar	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Transmission Volume (mmscmd)	107	120	132	142
Transmission EBIT (Rs/mscm)	488	1,026	1,110	1,088
Trading Volume (mmscmd)	95	98	105	110
Trading EBIT (Rs/mscm)	884	1,688	1,482	1,259
Petchem (kt)	400	787	810	810
Petchem EBIT (Rs/kg)	(6)	(12)	4	8
LPG (kt)	4,335	4,396	4,440	4,484
LPG EBIT (Rs/mt)	850	721	793	853

Source: Company Data, PL Research





Analyst Coverage Universe

Sr. No.	Company Name	Rating	TP (Rs)	Share Price (Rs)
1	Aarti Industries	Reduce	634	718
2	Ashok Leyland	Accumulate	261	246
3	Bajaj Auto	Accumulate	10,326	9,718
4	Bharat Forge	Hold	1,615	1,672
5	Bharat Petroleum Corporation	Reduce	269	302
6	Bharti Airtel	Accumulate	1,618	1,430
7	CEAT	Accumulate	2,992	2,667
8	Clean Science and Technology	Hold	1,489	1,482
9	Deepak Nitrite	Reduce	2,268	2,677
10	Divgi Torqtransfer Systems	Accumulate	831	742
11	Eicher Motors	BUY	5,335	4,737
12	Endurance Technologies	Hold	2,664	2,735
13	Exide Industries	Hold	559	532
14	Fine Organic Industries	Accumulate	5,685	5,337
15	GAIL (India)	Sell	170	223
16	Gujarat Fluorochemicals	Reduce	2,775	3,250
17	Gujarat Gas	Accumulate	623	645
18	Gujarat State Petronet	BUY	409	311
19	Hero Motocorp	Accumulate	5,914	5,558
20	Hindustan Petroleum Corporation	Sell	340	396
21	Indian Oil Corporation	Sell	151	183
22	Indraprastha Gas	Sell	374	541
23	Jubilant Ingrevia	Hold	592	586
24	Laxmi Organic Industries	Sell	206	257
25	Mahanagar Gas	Sell	1,492	1,846
26	Mahindra & Mahindra	BUY	3,250	2,881
27	Mangalore Refinery & Petrochemicals	Sell	135	218
28	Maruti Suzuki	BUY	14,432	12,104
29	Navin Fluorine International	Accumulate	4,144	3,771

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 Buy
 : > 15%

 Accumulate
 : 5% to 15%

 Hold
 : +5% to -5%

 Reduce
 : -5% to -15%

 Sell
 : < -15%</td>

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