BUY Gravita India

`Moat' turning stronger

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We re-iterate BUY on GRAV while upheaving our TP to Rs2,700/share. GRAV targets revenue CAGR of 25% over the next 3-4 years, and generating ROCE of >25%. Company's business 'moat' is scrap procurement. Mgmt has, earlier during our company visit, highlighted that reverse charge mechanism (RCM) is a bigger tailwind than battery waste management rules, which have meaningfully benefitted GRAV in the past few years. With the GST Council's proposal of introduction of RCM, the catalyst appears to be playing out sooner than we expected. The total addressable market that could formalize as a result is large, and we believe GRAV is perfectly positioned to capture the opportunity. Fundamental attributes of the stock as well as regulatory framework remain well aligned and encourage us to remain buyers of the stock, despite a run-up in valuations.

Gravita India: Financial Snapshot (Consolidated)

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|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Y/E Mar (Rs mn) | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| Revenue | 28,886 | 32,008 | 41,678 | 52,427 | 63,467 |
| EBITDA | 2,856 | 3,236 | 4,547 | 5,693 | 6,797 |
| Adj. PAT | 2,011 | 2,545 | 3,314 | 4,181 | 5,118 |
| Adj. EPS (Rs) | 29.1 | 36.9 | 48.0 | 60.6 | 74.1 |
| EBITDA margin (%) | 9.9 | 10.1 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 10.7 |
| EBITDA growth (%) | 35.4 | 13.3 | 40.5 | 25.2 | 19.4 |
| Adj. EPS growth (%) | 44.3 | 26.5 | 30.2 | 26.2 | 22.4 |
| RoE (%) | 41.2 | 35.7 | 33.9 | 32.2 | 30.3 |
| RoIC (%) | 30.4 | 24.8 | 26.6 | 27.3 | 27.7 |
| P/E (x) | 76.6 | 60.6 | 46.5 | 36.9 | 30.1 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 55.0 | 48.9 | 34.9 | 27.8 | 23.0 |
| P/B (x) | 26.2 | 18.4 | 13.8 | 10.5 | 8.1 |
| FCFF yield (%) | 0.6 | (0.3) | 0.0 | 0.7 | 1.8 |
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Source: Company, Emkay Research

Targets 25% revenue CAGR with >25% ROCE

GRAV targets achieving revenue CAGR of 25% over the next 3-4 years and generating ROCE of >25%. The product mix would also shift in favor of non-lead segments, even though the lead segment would remain the dominant driver. The company has undertaken a lithium recycling pilot at Mundra, Gujarat, and expects to pivot to full-scale lithium recycling in a few years as the market grows. Management indicated that plastic is another vertical that could see 40-50% CAGR and expects the regulations favoring the increase in recycled content in plastic to act as a key medium-term catalyst.

Reverse charge mechanism to strengthen 'moat'

GRAV's business 'moat' is scrap procurement. Management has, earlier during our company visit, highlighted that RCM is a bigger tailwind than battery waste management rules, which have meaningfully benefitted the company in the past few years. With the GST Council's proposal, on introduction of RCM, the catalyst appears to be playing out sooner than we expected. There was some pushback from the market, which believes it would be difficult to bring the unorganized segment into the GST net. We concur with this feedback; however, the sector has already been moving toward formalization and RCM would only accelerate this process. A fraction of the market may still remain unorganized, but given that the present unorganized segment is 65% of the total market, the addressable market that could formalize is hence large, and we believe GRAV is perfectly positioned to capture the opportunity.

We reiterate BUY; hoist our target price to Rs2,700/sh

We expect the business to churn out a strong earnings growth trajectory. While valuation could appear stretched at different points in time, as it appears now, with P/E of ~40x on FY26 estimates, fundamental attributes of the stock as well as regulatory framework remain well aligned which spurs us to remain buyers of the stock. In addition, the strong earnings momentum would imply normalization of valuation multiples over time. We increase our TP to Rs2,700/share, raising the multiple to 40x from 25x on FY26E/27E earnings.



TARGET PRICE (Rs): 2,700

| Target Price – 12M | Sep-25 |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Change in TP (%) | 63.6 |
| Current Reco. | BUY |
| Previous Reco. | BUY |
| Upside/(Downside) (%) | 21.0 |
| CMP (11-Sep-24) (Rs) | 2,232.0 |
| | |
| Stock Data | Ticker |
| 52-week High (Rs) | 2,544 |
| 52-week Low (Rs) | 707 |
| Shares outstanding (mn) | 69.0 |
| Market-cap (Rs bn) | 154 |
| Market-cap (USD mn) | 1,835 |
| Net-debt, FY25E (Rs mn) | 4,688 |
| ADTV-3M (mn shares) | 1 |
| ADTV-3M (Rs mn) | 1,232.2 |
| ADTV-3M (USD mn) | 14.7 |
| Free float (%) | 32.0 |
| Nifty-50 | 24,918 |
| INR/USD | 84.0 |
| Shareholding, Jun-24 | |
| Promoters (%) | 63.4 |
| FPIs/MFs (%) | 13.4/2.6 |

| Price Performa | ance | | |
|----------------|------|------|-------|
| (%) | 1M | 3M | 12M |
| Absolute | 23.6 | 93.8 | 180.5 |
| Rel. to Nifty | 20.9 | 80.9 | 125.1 |



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Gravita India: Consolidated Financials and Valuations

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|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Profit & Loss | | | | | |
| Y/E Mar (Rs mn) | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| Revenue | 28,886 | 32,008 | 41,678 | 52,427 | 63,467 |
| Revenue growth (%) | 30.4 | 10.8 | 30.2 | 25.8 | 21.1 |
| EBITDA | 2,856 | 3,236 | 4,547 | 5,693 | 6,797 |
| EBITDA growth (%) | 35.4 | 13.3 | 40.5 | 25.2 | 19.4 |
| Depreciation & Amortization | 240 | 380 | 439 | 568 | 690 |
| EBIT | 2,617 | 2,856 | 4,108 | 5,125 | 6,107 |
| EBIT growth (%) | 37.5 | 9.2 | 43.8 | 24.8 | 19.2 |
| Other operating income | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Other income | 51 | 530 | 315 | 398 | 479 |
| Financial expense | 391 | 492 | 600 | 687 | 678 |
| РВТ | 2,276 | 2,894 | 3,823 | 4,837 | 5,908 |
| Extraordinary items | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Taxes | 235 | 319 | 459 | 580 | 709 |
| Minority interest | 30 | 31 | 50 | 75 | 80 |
| Income from JV/Associates | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Reported PAT | 2,011 | 2,545 | 3,314 | 4,181 | 5,118 |
| PAT growth (%) | 44.3 | 26.5 | 30.2 | 26.2 | 22.4 |
| Adjusted PAT | 2,011 | 2,545 | 3,314 | 4,181 | 5,118 |
| Diluted EPS (Rs) | 29.1 | 36.9 | 48.0 | 60.6 | 74.1 |
| Diluted EPS growth (%) | 44.3 | 26.5 | 30.2 | 26.2 | 22.4 |
| DPS (Rs) | 4.4 | 5.2 | 7.2 | 9.1 | 11.1 |
| Dividend payout (%) | 14.9 | 14.1 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 |
| EBITDA margin (%) | 9.9 | 10.1 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 10.7 |
| EBIT margin (%) | 9.1 | 8.9 | 9.9 | 9.8 | 9.6 |
| Effective tax rate (%) | 10.3 | 11.0 | 12.0 | 12.0 | 12.0 |
| NOPLAT (pre-IndAS) | 2,346 | 2,542 | 3,615 | 4,510 | 5,374 |
| Shares outstanding (mn) | 69.1 | 69.1 | 69.1 | 69.1 | 69.1 |

| Balance Sheet | | | | | |
|------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Y/E Mar (Rs mn) | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| Share capital | 138 | 138 | 138 | 138 | 138 |
| Reserves & Surplus | 5,751 | 8,236 | 11,053 | 14,607 | 18,957 |
| Net worth | 5,889 | 8,374 | 11,191 | 14,745 | 19,096 |
| Minority interests | 128 | 132 | 182 | 257 | 337 |
| Deferred tax liability (net) | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Total debt | 3,477 | 5,476 | 6,483 | 7,790 | 6,298 |
| Total liabilities & equity | 9,497 | 13,984 | 17,858 | 22,794 | 25,733 |
| Net tangible fixed assets | 2,657 | 3,409 | 4,298 | 5,630 | 7,240 |
| Net intangible assets | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Net ROU assets | 73 | 73 | 73 | 73 | 73 |
| Capital WIP | 455 | 428 | 900 | 1,500 | 800 |
| Goodwill | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | (|
| Investments [JV/Associates] | 11 | 165 | 0 | 0 | (|
| Cash & equivalents | 610 | 1,337 | 1,795 | 3,454 | 3,976 |
| Current assets (ex-cash) | 8,243 | 10,609 | 13,578 | 15,643 | 18,068 |
| Current Liab. & Prov. | 2,555 | 2,040 | 2,789 | 3,509 | 4,426 |
| NWC (ex-cash) | 5,688 | 8,570 | 10,789 | 12,134 | 13,641 |
| Total assets | 9,497 | 13,984 | 17,858 | 22,794 | 25,733 |
| Net debt | 2,867 | 4,139 | 4,688 | 4,336 | 2,322 |
| Capital employed | 9,497 | 13,984 | 17,858 | 22,794 | 25,733 |
| Invested capital | 8,421 | 12,055 | 15,163 | 17,840 | 20,957 |
| BVPS (Rs) | 85.3 | 121.3 | 162.1 | 213.5 | 276.5 |
| Net Debt/Equity (x) | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| Net Debt/EBITDA (x) | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.3 |
| Interest coverage (x) | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| RoCE (%) | 30.6 | 28.8 | 27.8 | 27.2 | 27.1 |

Source: Company, Emkay Research

| Cash flows | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Y/E Mar (Rs mn) | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| РВТ | 2,276 | 2,894 | 3,823 | 4,837 | 5,908 |
| Others (non-cash items) | 777 | 628 | 724 | 857 | 889 |
| Taxes paid | (235) | (496) | (459) | (580) | (709) |
| Change in NWC | (822) | (2,449) | (2,325) | (1,462) | (1,628) |
| Operating cash flow | 1,997 | 577 | 1,764 | 3,651 | 4,460 |
| Capital expenditure | (1,064) | (980) | (1,800) | (2,500) | (1,600) |
| Acquisition of business | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Interest & dividend income | 7 | 108 | 315 | 398 | 479 |
| Investing cash flow | (1,054) | (1,578) | (1,320) | (2,102) | (1,121) |
| Equity raised/(repaid) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Debt raised/(repaid) | (433) | 1,997 | 1,000 | 1,300 | (1,500) |
| Payment of lease liabilities | (8) | (11) | 7 | 7 | 8 |
| Interest paid | (389) | (482) | (600) | (687) | (678) |
| Dividend paid (incl tax) | (43) | (295) | (497) | (627) | (768) |
| Others | (22) | 541 | 7 | 7 | 8 |
| Financing cash flow | (887) | 1,761 | (90) | (7) | (2,938) |
| Net chg in Cash | 56 | 759 | 353 | 1,542 | 401 |
| OCF | 1,997 | 577 | 1,764 | 3,651 | 4,460 |
| Adj. OCF (w/o NWC chg.) | 2,818 | 3,026 | 4,088 | 5,113 | 6,088 |
| FCFF | 933 | (404) | (36) | 1,151 | 2,860 |
| FCFE | 549 | (788) | (322) | 862 | 2,661 |
| OCF/EBITDA (%) | 69.9 | 17.8 | 38.8 | 64.1 | 65.6 |
| FCFE/PAT (%) | 27.3 | (30.9) | (9.7) | 20.6 | 52.0 |
| FCFF/NOPLAT (%) | 39.8 | (15.9) | (1.0) | 25.5 | 53.2 |

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| Valuations and key Ra | atios | | | | |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Y/E Mar | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| P/E (x) | 76.6 | 60.6 | 46.5 | 36.9 | 30.1 |
| P/CE(x) | 68.5 | 52.7 | 41.1 | 32.5 | 26.5 |
| P/B (x) | 26.2 | 18.4 | 13.8 | 10.5 | 8.1 |
| EV/Sales (x) | 5.5 | 4.9 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 2.5 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 55.0 | 48.9 | 34.9 | 27.8 | 23.0 |
| EV/EBIT(x) | 60.0 | 55.4 | 38.7 | 30.9 | 25.6 |
| EV/IC (x) | 18.6 | 13.1 | 10.5 | 8.9 | 7.5 |
| FCFF yield (%) | 0.6 | (0.3) | 0.0 | 0.7 | 1.8 |
| FCFE yield (%) | 0.4 | (0.5) | (0.2) | 0.6 | 1.7 |
| Dividend yield (%) | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| DuPont-RoE split | | | | | |
| Net profit margin (%) | 7.0 | 7.9 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.1 |
| Total asset turnover (x) | 3.3 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| Assets/Equity (x) | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.4 |
| RoE (%) | 41.2 | 35.7 | 33.9 | 32.2 | 30.3 |
| DuPont-RoIC | | | | | |
| NOPLAT margin (%) | 8.1 | 7.9 | 8.7 | 8.6 | 8.5 |
| IC turnover (x) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| RoIC (%) | 30.4 | 24.8 | 26.6 | 27.3 | 27.7 |
| Operating metrics | | | | | |
| Core NWC days | 80.2 | 98.5 | 94.9 | 84.9 | 78.8 |
| Total NWC days | 80.2 | 98.5 | 94.9 | 84.9 | 78.8 |
| Fixed asset turnover | 9.1 | 7.5 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 6.9 |
| Opex-to-revenue (%) | 11.1 | 9.9 | 9.2 | 8.9 | 8.6 |

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| Date | Closing Price (INR) | TP (INR) | Rating | Analyst |
|-----------|------------------------|----------|--------|----------------|
| 10-Sep-24 | 2,291 | 1,650 | Buy | Amit Lahoti |
| 22-Jul-24 | 1,449 | 1,650 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 03-May-24 | 948 | 1,345 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 25-Jan-24 | 943 | 1,325 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 30-Nov-23 | 1,119 | 1,300 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 02-Nov-23 | 1,049 | 1,300 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 25-Jul-23 | 670 | 915 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 04-May-23 | 564 | 650 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 01-May-23 | 508 | 650 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 25-Jan-23 | 510 | 600 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 04-Nov-22 | 366 | 445 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 14-Sep-22 | 319 | 445 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 04-Aug-22 | 280 | 430 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 10-Jun-22 | 285 | 430 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 22-May-22 | 286 | 430 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |
| 21-Dec-21 | 227 | 380 | Buy | Sabri Hazarika |

RECOMMENDATION HISTORY - TREND



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