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INDU: Analyst Briefing Takeaways

Event

• Indus Motor Company Ltd (INDU PA) held its Analyst briefing today to discuss its financial/operational performance for 1QFY22 and outlook of the company. Following are the key takeaways of the briefing.

Impact

- Indus Motor Company Ltd (INDU PA) profitability clocked in at Rs5.43bn (EPS 69.0) in 1QFY22 as compared to profit of Rs1.85bn (EPS Rs23.5) in 1QFY21, increasing by 194% YoY. The result was accompanied by interim cash dividend of Rs35/sh.
- Net sales for quarter clocked in at Rs65bn (↑92/37% YoY/QoQ) for 1QFY21. The increase in sales was accredited to (1) volumetric increase of 59/28% YoY/QoQ, and (2) higher number of CBUs sold.
- Volumetric sales for 1QCY21 clocked in at 18,646 units. Product wise Corolla/Yaris increased by 83/20% to 3,614/6,009 units sold. Similarly, Fortuner/Hilux registered 1,601/3,209 units sold.
- Management also shared the price increase effective tomorrow for new booking, however previous booking would be sold at previous price. The price increase would be because of rupee depreciation and high freight and commodity charges.
- On the demand front, management expects the total demand for automobile to touch 350,000 units sold in FY22 in the industry, despite SBP regulations to curtail auto financing.
- Supply chain issue for INDU would remain minimal as early procurement of units and better inventory management would keep orders up to commitment.
- Management also shared localization would a component of cost effectiveness and to curtail margins.
- Management also credited the increase in profitability to higher return on placement due to increased fund position mainly due to increase in advances from advances.
- To highlight, INDU reported other income of Rs2bn mainly driven from cash and short-term investment. Company
 cash and short-term investments stand at Rs107bn as per Quarter ended sept'21.
- Management also discussed dividend payout to remain range bound given INDU's plan for expansion and growth.

Outlook

- INDU expansion plans would give further edge to the market penetration in the luxury crossover SUV segment. Moreover, we expect the margins to stay depressed given depreciation of rupee in the near term, but catalytic growth induced by gov't policies that would keep volumes upbeat.
- We have an outperform stance on the stock with June-22 TP of Rs1,651/sh.

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Fig 01: INDU 1QFY22 Key Financial Highlights (Rs mn)

Rs mn	1QFY22	1QFY21	YoY	4QFY21	QoQ
Net sales	65,552	34,195	92%	48,002	37%
COGS	58,480	31,907	83%	42,106	39%
Gross Profit	7,072	2,288	209%	5,896	20%
Distribution expenses	456	226	102%	653	-30%
Admin expenses	467	316	48%	402	16%
Other operating expenses	486	155	214%	101	382%
Other income	2,047	1,089	88%	1,686	21%
Finance costs	29	34	-16%	54	-47%
Profit before taxation	7,683	2,645	190%	6,373	21%
Taxation	2,258	800	182%	1,959	15%
Profit after taxation	5,425	1,845	194%	4,414	23%
EPS	69.0	23.5		56.2	
DPS	35	7		22	
Gross Margins	10.8%	6.7%		12.3%	
Net Margins	8.3%	5.4%		9.2%	
Effective Tax Rate	29.4%	30.3%		30.7%	

Source: PSX, Company accounts, Foundation Research, Nov 2021

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