## Challenges still persist

Greenpanel Industries Q4FY24 performance was largely impacted by elevated imports of MDF, increased domestic supply and sudden rise in timber costs in the month of March.

We do not expect material improvement in the performance of the company in the near term and therefore expect the stock to remain reangebound. We had given a NEUTRAL call in Q2FY24 and maintain that stance.

## Q4 Segmental Performance:

MDF

- Sales at 3604 Mn (+4\% QoQ) (-6.6\% YoY)
- Volumes at 1,27,239 CBM (+8\% QoQ) (-7.3\% YoY)
- Blended Realisations at 28,235/CBM (-3\% QoQ) (+0.7\% YoY)
- EBITDA margins at 16.4\% (-320 bps QoQ) (-550bps YoY)

Plywood

- Sales at 356.7 Mn (-7\% QoQ) (-35\% YoY)
- Volumes at 1.42 Mn Sqm (-8\% QoQ) (-30\% YoY)
- Blended Realisations at 250/sqm (flat QoQ) (-7\% YoY)
- EBITDA margins at -10.5\% (-640bps QoQ) (-1090bps YoY)

Key Financial Highlights:

- Revenue at Rs 3,966Mn, +2.8\% qoq/-10.2\% yoy
- EBITDA (excl OI) at Rs $513 \mathrm{Mn},-8.4 \%$ qoq/-10.1\% yoy
- EBITDA margin at $12.94 \%$ vs $15.63 \%$ vs $17.27 \%$ in Q3FY24/Q4FY23
- PAT at Rs $298 \mathrm{Mn},-13.9 \%$ qoq/-56.8\% yoy
- EPS at Rs 2.43 vs 2.82/5.62 in Q3FY24/Q4FY23

| Financial Summary |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Y/E Mar (Rs mn) | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E |
| Net sales | 16,250 | 17,829 | 15,673 | 17,496 | 20,799 |
| EBIDTA | 4,304 | 4,165 | 2,465 | 2,724 | 3,724 |
| Margins (\%) | 26.5 | 23.4 | 15.7 | 15.6 | 17.9 |
| Adjusted net profit | 2,405 | 2,565 | 1,427 | 1,424 | 2,133 |
| EPS (Rs) | 19.6 | 20.9 | 11.64 | 11.61 | 17.40 |
| P/E (x) | 16 | 15 | 27 | 27 | 18 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 9 | 9 | 16 | 15 | 10 |
| RoCE (\%) | $28.93 \%$ | $24.89 \%$ | $10.95 \%$ | $10.86 \%$ | $14.89 \%$ |
| RoE (\%) | $25.27 \%$ | $21.49 \%$ | $10.83 \%$ | $9.88 \%$ | $13.04 \%$ |

## Outlook:

- MDF overall volume guidance for FY25 is targeted at $15 \%$
- Plywood volume guidance for FY25 is targeted at 8\%
- The management refrained from giving any margin guidance due to further supply coming in the domestic market and rising timber costs
- The management is working on consolidating the sales team in the plywood and MDF division


## Valuations and Outlook:

Based on how Q4 has panned out coupled with the fact that almost $8,50,000$ CBM of capacity is getting added in FY25, possibility of increase in imported MDF from May (due to delay in implementation of BIS norms) and the rising timber costs would restrict any major improvement in performance of the company.

We expect the company to have a challenging year in terms of maintaining its realization and margins in the MDF segment which is a major contributor to the overall topline \& bottomline which should keep the earnings muted in FY25 and therefore expect the stock to remain rangebound. We cut our EPS estimates by 34\%/27\% for FY25/26 and continue with our NEUTRAL call on the company which we had given it in Q2FY24.

At CMP of Rs 311 , the company is trading at $27 \times$ FY25E EPS of Rs 11.61 and $18 x$ FY26E EPS of Rs 17.4. We value the company at 18x FY26E and arrive at a target price of Rs 313.

## Concall Highlights:

## MDF Division

- The industry for FY24 has grown in double digits
- New MDF plant will start commercial production at the end of Q3FY25
- Demand in this segment continues to be robust but imports \& increased domestic supply have taken away market share
- Have consciously reduced exports as it was not viable in such rising timber costs
- Delay in Implementation of BIS norms: The company expects that imports will bounce back from the month of May
- The volume based incentive scheme was mainly for the value added products and it will continue in Q1 as well in order to maintain volume trajectory.
- Value add mix is unlikely to change in the forseeable future which will prevent any improvement in the margins
- Management is targeting $\sim 20 \%$ low cost domestic MDF volumes ( $35 \%$ in Q4) so that the blended realisations upholds
- The company has ruled out any further capex in the MDF segment till the new plant stabilizes and better capacity utilization is achieved.
- The management do not see any scenario of increasing the selling price inspite of higher raw material prices.
- The company has already clocked 43600 CBM in the month of April


## Ply Division

- The management alluded that this segment will take a couple of quarters till recovery starts
- Plywood realisations were lower due to lower Deco Veneers sales volume
- Any further capex would be done only when the existing plywood plant reached 85 to $90 \%$ capacity utilisation


## Timber prices

- Timber prices increased $10 \%$ sequentially in North and $19 \%$ in South region. Already in the month of April the timber prices has increased by 7\%.
- The new plantation will see its output in June/July'25 wherein the timber supply might improve and the gross margins could see an improvement.


## Working Capital

- Working capital days increased by 11 days to 28 days mainly due to increase in inventory days (at 47days vs 31 days YoY)


## Quarterly Snapshot

| Greenpanel Industries Part iculars (Rs Mns) | Q4FY24 | Q4FY23 | YoY Growth | Q3FY24 | QoQ Growth |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenue from operations | 3,966 | 4,414 | -10.2\% | 3,857 | 2.8\% |
| Other income | 74 | 85 | -13.3\% | 13 | 465.9\% |
| Total Income | 4,040 | 4,499 |  | 3,870 |  |
| Cost of goods sold | 1,834 | 2,040 | -10.1\% | 1,692 | 8.4\% |
| Employee Benefit expenses | 385 | 319 | 20.8\% | 335 | 15.1\% |
| Other Expenses | 1,234 | 1,293 | -4.6\% | 1,228 | 0.5\% |
| EBITDA (excl ot her income) | 513 | 762 | -32.7\% | 603 | -14.9\% |
| Less: Depreciation | 182 | 172 | 6.2\% | 179 | 1.8\% |
| PBIT | 331 | 590 |  | 424 |  |
| Less: Interest cost | 2 | 32 | -94.6\% | 62 | -97.2\% |
| PBT (before exceptional) | 403 | 643 | -37.4\% | 374 | 7.5\% |
| Exceptional | - | - |  | - |  |
| PBT (after exceptional) | 403 | 643 | -37.4\% | 374 | 7.5\% |
| Less: Tax | 105 | (46) |  | 28 |  |
| PAT | 298 | 689 | -56.8\% | 346 | -13.9\% |
| EPS | 2.43 | 5.62 | -56.8\% | 2.82 | -13.8\% |
| Gross Margins | 53.75\% | 53.78\% |  | 56.15\% |  |
| EBITDA (excl Ol) Margins | 12.94\% | 17.27\% |  | 15.63\% |  |
| Net profit Margin | 7.38\% | 15.32\% |  | 8.94\% |  |
| Revenue segment wise |  |  |  |  |  |
| MDF | 3,604 | 3,860 | -6.6\% | 3,474 | 3.8\% |
| Plywood | 357 | 546 | -34.6\% | 384 | -7.0\% |
| EBITDA margins |  |  |  |  |  |
| MDF | 16.40\% | 21.70\% |  | 19.60\% |  |
| Plywood | -10.50\% | 0.40\% |  | -4.10\% |  |

* Consolidated P/L


## Focus Charts

## Exhibit 1: MDF sales



Source: Company, Dalal \& Broacha Research

Exhibit 3: MDF Sales volume


Source: Company, Dalal \& Broacha Research

Exhibit 5: Plywood Sales


Exhibit 2: MDF EBITDA margins


Source: Company, Dalal \& Broacha Research

Exhibit 4: MDF Blended Realisation


Source: Company, Dalal \& Broacha Research

Exhibit 6: Plywood EBITDA margins


[^0]Exhibit 7: Plywood Sales volume


Exhibit 8: Plywood Realisation


[^1]Source: Company, Dalal \& Broacha Research

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| P\&L (Rs mn) | FY2 1 | FY22 | FY23 | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net Sales | 10,208 | 16,250 | 17,829 | 15,673 | 17,496 | 20,799 |
| Total Operating Expenses | 4,629 | 6,709 | 7,458 | 6,907 | 8,092 | 9,360 |
| Employee Cost | 979 | 1,284 | 1,397 | 1,406 | 1,519 | 1,580 |
| Other Expenses | 2,566 | 3,953 | 4,808 | 4,894 | 5,161 | 6,136 |
| Operat ing Profit | 2,034 | 4,304 | 4,165 | 2,465 | 2,724 | 3,724 |
| Depreciation | 686 | 734 | 720 | 729 | 898 | 964 |
| PBIT | 1,347 | 3,571 | 3,446 | 1,736 | 1,826 | 2,760 |
| Other income | 34 | 90 | 194 | 219 | 219 | 219 |
| Interest | 372 | 171 | 190 | 123 | 146 | 134 |
| PBT ( Before exceptional) | 1,010 | 3,489 | 3,449 | 1,832 | 1,899 | 2,845 |
| Exceptional | - | - | 61 | - | - | - |
| PBT (post exceptional) | 1,010 | 3,489 | 3,510 | 1,832 | 1,899 | 2,845 |
| Provision for tax | 322 | 1,085 | 944 | 405 | 475 | 711 |
| Reported PAT | 688 | 2,405 | 2,565 | 1,427 | 1,424 | 2,133 |
| MI | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Net Profit | 688 | 2,405 | 2,565 | 1,427 | 1,424 | 2,133 |
| Adjust ed Profit | 688 | 2,405 | 2,565 | 1,427 | 1,424 | 2,133 |
| Balance Sheet (Rs mn) | FY2 1 | FY22 | FY23 | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| Equity capital | 123 | 123 | 123 | 123 | 123 | 123 |
| Reserves | 7,181 | 9,394 | 11,816 | 13,049 | 14,289 | 16,238 |
| Net worth | 7,304 | 9,516 | 11,939 | 13,171 | 14,411 | 16,361 |
| Non Current Liabilites | 4,388 | 2,790 | 2,770 | 3,692 | 3,528 | 3,440 |
| Current Liabilites | 2,860 | 3,117 | 2,340 | 2,044 | 2,077 | 2,207 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 14,552 | 15,424 | 17,048 | 18,907 | 20,016 | 22,007 |
| Non Current Assets | 11,000 | 10,561 | 10,709 | 13,613 | 15,791 | 15,054 |
| Fixed Assets | 10,778 | 10,382 | 9,965 | 12,949 | 15,104 | 14,290 |
| Goodwill | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Non Current Investments | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Deferred Tax Asset | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other Financial Assets | 146 | 170 | 215 | 218 | 240 | 264 |
| Other Non Current Assets | 76 | 9 | 529 | 446 | 446 | 499 |
| Current Assets | 3,553 | 4,863 | 6,339 | 5,294 | 4,226 | 6,953 |
| Current investments | - | - | - | 975 | - | - |
| Inventories | 1,494 | 1,658 | 1,525 | 2,016 | 2,253 | 2,678 |
| Trade Receivables | 778 | 414 | 444 | 290 | 336 | 399 |
| Cash and Bank Balances | 725 | 2,226 | 3,778 | 1,404 | 999 | 3,169 |
| Short Term Loans and Advances | 4 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 10 | 10 |
| Other Current Assets | 552 | 557 | 587 | 605 | 629 | 697 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 14,552 | 15,424 | 17,048 | 18,907 | 20,016 | 22,007 |

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| Cash Flow St. (Rs. mn) | FY20 | FY2 1 | FY22 | FY23 | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cash flow from operating activities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Profit before tax | 225 | 1,010 | 3,489 | 3,449 | 1,832 | 1,899 | 2,845 |
| Depreciation \& Amortization | 692 | 686 | 734 | 720 | 729 | 898 | 964 |
| Interest expenses | 483 | 372 | 171 | 190 | 123 | 146 | 134 |
| Operating profit before working capital change | 1,400 | 2,068 | 4,394 | 4,359 | 2,683 | 2,943 | 3,943 |
| Working capital adjustment | (52) | 63 | 280 | (163) | (354) | (178) | (262) |
| Gross cash generated from operations | 1,348 | 2,131 | 4,674 | 4,195 | 2,329 | 2,765 | 3,680 |
| Net Direct taxes paid | (61) | (164) | (580) | (623) | (405) | (475) | (711) |
| Others | 289 | 421 | 436 | 198 | 22 | 11 | (106) |
| Cash generated from operations | 998 | 1,546 | 3,657 | 3,374 | 1,946 | 2,302 | 2,864 |
|  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cash flow from investing activities | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Capex | (242) | (127) | (336) | (803) | $(3,712)$ | $(3,054)$ | (150) |
| Investment | - | - | - | - | (975) | 975 | - |
| Others | 19 | 18 | $(1,028)$ | $(1,675)$ | - | - | - |
| Cash generated from investment activities | (223) | (109) | $(1,364)$ | $(2,478)$ | $(4,687)$ | $(2,078)$ | (150) |
|  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cash flow from financing activities | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Proceeds from issue of share | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Borrow ings/ (Repayments) | (545) | $(1,117)$ | $(1,468)$ | $(1,002)$ | 685 | (298) | (225) |
| Interest paid | (253) | (222) | (115) | (85) | (123) | (146) | (134) |
| Dividend paid | - | - | (184) | - | (184) | (184) | (184) |
| Others | (60) | (80) | (82) | (249) | - | - | - |
| Cash generated from financing activities | (858) | $(1,419)$ | $(1,849)$ | $(1,336)$ | 367 | (628) | (543) |
|  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Net cash increase/(decrease) | (83) | 18 | 444 | (440) | $(2,375)$ | (405) | 2,171 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratios | FY20 | FY21 | FY22 | FY23 | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| OPM | 15.72\% | 19.92\% | 26.49\% | 23.36\% | 15.73\% | 15.57\% | 17.91\% |
| NPM | 1.65\% | 6.72\% | 14.72\% | 14.23\% | 8.98\% | 8.04\% | 10.15\% |
| Tax Rate | -12.20\% | $31.85 \%$ | $31.09 \%$ | 26.91\% | 22.10\% | 25.00\% | 25.00\% |
| Growth Ratios (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net Sales | 46.31\% | 16.45\% | 59.20\% | 9.71\% | -12.09\% | 11.63\% | 18.88\% |
| Operating Profit | 78.10\% | 47.61\% | $111.65 \%$ | -3.23\% | -40.83\% | 10.52\% | 36.73\% |
| PBIT | 82.06\% | 347.81\% | 245.58\% | -1.16\% | -46.89\% | 3.65\% | 49.83\% |
| PAT | -58.18\% | 375.84\% | 249.47\% | 6.68\% | -44.38\% | -0.21\% | 49.83\% |
| Per Share (Rs.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net Earnings (EPS) | 1.18 | 5.61 | 19.61 | 20.92 | 11.64 | 11.61 | 17.40 |
| Cash Earnings (CPS) | 6.82 | 11.21 | 25.60 | 26.79 | 17.58 | 18.94 | 25.27 |
| Dividend | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.15 |
| Book Value | 53.97 | 59.57 | 77.62 | 97.38 | 107.43 | 117.55 | 133.45 |
| Free Cash Flow | 4.27 | 11.57 | 27.08 | 20.97 | -14.41 | -6.13 | 22.13 |
| Valuation Ratios |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| P/E(x) | 263.67 | 55.41 | 15.86 | 14.86 | 26.72 | 26.78 | 17.87 |
| P/B(x) | 5.76 | 5.22 | 4.01 | 3.19 | 2.89 | 2.65 | 2.33 |
| EV/EBIDTA(x) | 31.28 | 20.59 | 9.00 | 8.70 | 15.99 | 14.51 | 9.97 |
| Div. Yield(\%) | - | - | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 |
| FCFF Yield(\%) | 1.37 | 3.72 | 8.71 | 6.74 | (4.63) | (1.97) | 7.12 |
| Ret urn Ratios (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ROE | 2.19\% | 9.42\% | 25.27\% | $21.49 \%$ | 10.83\% | 9.88\% | 13.04\% |
| ROCE | 5.87\% | $11.44 \%$ | 28.93\% | 24.89\% | 10.95\% | 10.86\% | 14.89\% |

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