NIIT Learning Systems Ltd (NIITMTS)

1QFY26 Result Update | Managed Training Services



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Acquisition to Aid Growth Amidst Macro Uncertainty

NIIT Learnings completed the acquisition of a German entity MST on 9th July, marking its entry into the DACH region — the fastest-growing L&D market in Europe. Despite ongoing macro headwinds, the company remains confident of delivering ~10% revenue growth in constant currency terms.

Key Result Highlights:

The company delivered a modest growth on the revenue front with 8% CC growth that can be seen on CC basis. The profitability took a hit due to an exceptional item of Rs. 63Mn. Excluding this item PAT saw a growth of ~9% QoQ. The tax rate was higher this quarter at 32% but will be back to normal levels at ~26%. Margins have continued to remain stable at ~20%.

Key Concall Highlights:

During the quarter, the company added two new managed services clients and secured three contract renewals. All is transforming customer engagement in the L&D space and continues to gain traction. A wage hike was implemented effective July 1st. The MST acquisition is expected to contribute 3–4% to topline growth while sustaining current profitability levels.

Financial Summary

Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Netsales	11,323	13,618	15,535	16,533	18,453	20,835
EBIDTA	2,916	2,920	3,622	3,553	3,943	4,453
Margins	25.8	21.4	23.3	21.5	21.4	21.4
PAT (adj)	2,021	1,922	2,132	2,275	2,210	2,686
Growth (%)	-	-4.9	10.9	6.7	-2.9	21.5
EPS	3.50	15.45	16.02	17.32	16.23	19.73
P/E (x)	94	21	21	19	20	17
P/B (x)	35	6	5	4	3	3
EV/EBITDA (x)	-2	14	11	11	10	8
RoE (%)	37	27	22	19	16	17
ROCE (%)	48	29	31	26	23	23
RoIC (%)	200	67	55	45	34	36

Source: Dalal & Broacha Research, Company

Rating	TP (Rs)	Up/Dn (%)
NEUTRAL	401	24
Market data		
Current price	Rs	323
Market Cap (Rs.Bn)	(Rs Bn)	45
Market Cap (US\$ Mn)	(US\$ Mn)	512
Face Value	Rs	2
52 Weeks High/Low	Rs	542 / 306.5
Average Daily Volume	('000)	607
BSE Code		543952
Bloomberg Source: Bloomberg		NIITMTS

One Year Performance
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110 -
100
90 -
80 -
70
Aug-24 Nov-24 Feb-25 May-25 Aug-25
NIIT Learning Systems Ltd Nifty Index

Source: Bloomberg

% Shareholding	Jun-25	Mar-25
Promoters	34.45	35.48
Public	65.55	65.52
Total	100.00	101.00

Source: Bloomberg

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Concall Highlights

MST Acquisition:

NIIT has acquired Germany-based MST Group for €22.7Mn through its subsidiary, marking its entry into the fast-growing DACH L&D market. MST adds over 20 marquee clients, seven Global 10,000 logos, and capabilities like the Quick Start Learning Academy and a Hungary-based delivery hub. The asset-light, margin-accretive business is expected to be EPS-accretive from year one, contributing 3–4% to NLSL's topline with no client overlap. The acquisition enhances NLSL's European footprint, strengthens sectoral presence in automotive and industrials, and aligns with its strategy of scaling global MTS operations.

Vertical Update and Outlook:

Technology & Telecom

- Strong QoQ growth continues despite sectoral layoffs.
- Layoffs are driving demand for reskilling/upskilling due to skill gaps.
- Training includes cloud, cybersecurity, tech upgrades, certifications, and consulting.
- Vertical expected to maintain growth momentum.

Management & Professional Services

- Signs of recovery seen vs. last year.
- Management believes the worst is behind; gradual improvement expected to continue.

Industrials (Automotive, Industrial, Energy, Aerospace)

- MST acquisition adds 20+ marquee clients across these sectors.
- Margin pressures in auto and IT viewed as transformation opportunities for L&D.
- L&D spend per employee in these sectors is above the average of \$1,100/year.
- NLSL to leverage MST's local strength to scale in Germany's industrial and auto space.
- MST's client relationships to support NLSL's expansion into North America.
- Strong positioning in aerospace; expects growth by expanding into airlines.

Life Sciences & Financial Services (FSI)

- Active deal pipeline continues in both verticals.
- Remain focus areas with engagement potential.

Pharma & Hospitality

■ 2 new MTS wins during the quarter — one in pharma and one in hospitality.

Operational Highlights:

Order Book and Pipeline

- The deal pipeline remains strong with active opportunities across technology, outsourcing, professional services, automotive, life sciences, and FSI.
- Decision-making cycles are elongating due to elevated market uncertainty.
- Revenue visibility stands at ₹388 Mn, up from ₹350 Mn YoY.

Cash and Capital Management

- Cash and cash equivalents reported at ₹8,349 Mn.
- Net cash increased to ₹7,740 Mn (vs. ₹7,360 Mn QoQ and ₹6,489 Mn YoY).
- Capex for the quarter stood at ₹88 Mn, down from ₹145 Mn, reflecting continued Al investments.
- MST acquisition funded via internal accruals and term loans; equity portion was an all-cash deal.

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Customer Traction and Renewals

- Secured 2 new MTS clients in Q1FY26 one each in pharma and hospitality.
- All 3 MTS contracts due for renewal were successfully renewed, maintaining 100% renewal rate.
- Growth driven by wallet share expansion and deep client relationships.
- Spend from existing clients is stabilising, though still below prior peak levels; early signs of recovery visible.

MTS Customer Metrics

- MTS customer count at quarter-end: 95.
- Post MST acquisition, global MTS client count has crossed 100.
- MST contributed 7 Global 10,000 clients with no overlap all are net new additions.

Days Sales Outstanding (DSO)

• DSO rose to 68 days from 56 days QoQ, due to delayed collections which have since been recovered.

Headcount and Workforce Strategy

- MST added over 100 L&D professionals, taking total headcount to ~2,500.
- Company continues to prioritise variable staffing over permanent additions to manage cost and utilisation amid market volatility.
- Plans to increase headcount selectively once macro conditions stabilise.

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Valuation & Outlook

With its recent acquisition, NIIT Learnings has entered the DACH region — one of Europe's fastest-growing L&D markets. While management has guided for ~10% revenue growth in constant currency terms, it remains cautious given the prevailing macro uncertainty.

We remain cautious on the stock as there is slowdown in the overall environment. The company recognizes that the global economic environment remains volatile, contributing to increased uncertainty across sectors. This macro backdrop is adding complexity to strategic and operational decisions, leading to extended decision-making cycles and shifts in key stakeholders and relationships.

Currently we have a 'NEUTRAL' rating on the stock with a target price of Rs. 401 arrived at by the assigning a PE multiple of 18x on FY27e EPS with a CMP of 323.

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Quarterly Result Analysis

(Rs.Mn)	1QFY26	4QFY25	QoQ Growth (%)	1QFY25	YoY Growth (%)
Revenue from Operations	4,514	4,297	5.0%	4,072	10.8%
OtherIncome	131	126	3.5%	93	39.9%
Total Income	4,644	4,423	5.0%	4,166	11.5%
COGS	14	4		1	
Employee Benefits Expense	2,009	2,012	-0.1%	1,950	3.0%
Professional & Technical outsourcing	1,150	1,038	10.8%	750	53.3%
Other Expenses	436	442	-1.4%	411	6.0%
Total Expenses	3,609	3,496	3.3%	3,112	16.0%
EBITDA (Excluding Other Income)	904	802	12.8%	960	-5.8%
Depreciation and Amortisation	181	167	8.4%	140	29.4%
EBIT / PBIT	854	761	12.2%	914	-6.6%
Finance Costs	61	60	0.5%	72	-15.8%
EBT/ PBT (Before Exceptional items)	793	700	13.2%	842	-5.8%
Exceptional Items	63	7		29	
Tax Expense	237	206	15.3%	212	11.7%
Net Profit after Tax	493	487	1.2%	600	-17.9%
Adj. PAT	535	492	8.7%	622	-13.9%
Earning Per Share	3.63	3.58	1.6%	4.42	-17.9%
Adj Earning Per Share	3.95	3.62	9.1%	4.58	-13.9%
Margins Analysis (%)			bps		bps
Gross Margins	29.7%	28.9%	74	33.7%	-398
EBITDA Margins (Excl Other Income)	20.0%	18.7%	138	23.6%	-355
PAT Margins	10.9%	11.3%	-41	14.7%	-382
Effective Tax Rate %	32.5%	29.7%	279	26.1%	635
Cost Analysis (%)			bps		bps
COGS as a % to sales	0.3%	0.1%	22	0.0%	30
EE Cost as a % to sales	44.5%	46.8%	-230	47.9%	-337
Outsourcing Expenses as a % to sales	25.5%	24.2%	133	18.4%	706
Other exps as a % to sales	9.7%	10.3%	-63	10.1%	-44

Source: Dalal & Broacha Research, Com pany

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Financials

P&L (Rs mn)	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Net Sales	11,323	13,618	15,535	16,533	18,453	20,835
Operating Expenses	-7,489	-9,418	-10,464	-11,271	-12,385	-13,769
Other Expenses	-918	-1,280	-1,449	-1,709	-2,016	-2,141
Operating Profit	2,916	2,920	3,622	3,553	4,052	4,925
Depreciation	-423	-471	-592	-619	-755	-831
PBIT	2,493	2,449	3,030	2,934	3,297	4,094
Otherincome	139	151	319	449	523	523
Interest	-10	-129	-327	-208	-683	-466
PBT	2,622	2,471	3,023	3,175	3,137	4,151
Profit before tax (post exceptional)	2,622	2,285	2,971	3,064	3,074	4,151
Provision for tax	-601	-363	-839	-789	-830	-1,121
Profit & Loss from Associates/JV	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	2,021	1,922	2,132	2,275	2,244	3,030
MI	-	-	-	-	-	-
Owners PAT	2,021	1,922	2,132	2,275	2,244	3,030
Adjusted Profit (excl Exceptionals)	2,021	2,079	2,170	2,357	2,290	3,030
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Balance Sheet (Rs mn)	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Equity capital	1,156	269	271	272	272	272
Reserves	4,296	7,434	9,504	11,827	13,667	16,152
Net worth	5,452	7,703	9,774	12,100	13,939	16,424
MI	-	2.000	2.500	1 000	- 2 552	- 2 022
Non Current Liabilites	23	3,068	2,568	1,902	3,552	2,822
Current Liabilites	4,008	6,298	7,989	7,879	8,168	8,331
TOTAL LIABILITIES	9,483	17,069	20,331	21,881	25,659	27,577
Non Current Assets	1,468	6,445	7,108	7,085	8,927	9,081
Fixed Assets	834	1,630	1,602	1,566	1,963	2,082
Goodwill	344	4,342	4,408	4,519	5,319	5,319
Right of Use Assets	37	120	386	300	900	900
Financial Assets	25	27	332	469	505	530
Deferred Tax Asset	160	192	148	93	96	98
Long Term Loans and Advances	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Non Current Assets	68	134	231	138	145	152
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Current Assets	8,015	10,624	13,224	14,796	16,732	18,496
Current investments	994	2,826	3,474	3,843	4,228	4,651
Inventories	5	1	2 250	1	- 2 425	- 2.425
Trade Receivables	1,394	2,155	2,250	2,515	3,135	3,425
Cash and Bank Balances	3,526	2,786	2,844	3,425	4,136	4,955
Short Term Loans and Advances	- 1.042	-	4 202	- 4 420	4.650	4 002
Other Financial Assets	1,942	2,653	4,202	4,429	4,650	4,883
Other Current Assets	153	202	453	583	583	583
TOTAL ASSETS	9,483	17,069	20,331	21,881	25,659	27,577

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1,211	-18	274	453	764	819
1,320	2,577	2,569	2,920	3,373	4,136
2,531	2,560	2,843	3,373	4,136	4,955
FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
25.8	21.4	23.3	21.5	22.0	23.6
17.6	15.1	13.7	13.9	12.1	14.2
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-	-4.9	10.9	6.7	-1.4	35.0
3.50	15.45	16.02	17.32	16.82	22.26
4.23	17.79	20.12	21.26	22.03	28.36
-	-	2.75	3.00	2.97	4.01
9.44	57.24	72.19	88.89	102.40	120.66
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