

ARVIND LTD

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KEY DATA

Rating	BUY
Sector relative	Outperformer
Price (INR)	126
12 month price target (INR)	156
52 Week High/Low	142/77
Market cap (INR bn/USD bn)	33/0.4
Free float (%)	0.0
Avg. daily value traded (INR bn)	213.3

SHAREHOLDING PATTERN

	Jan-00	Jan-00	Jan-00
Promoter	41.16%	41.25%	41.25%
FII	9.63%	11.14%	12.05%
DII	8.58%	9.08%	9.85%
Pledge	7.39%	7.39%	7.39%

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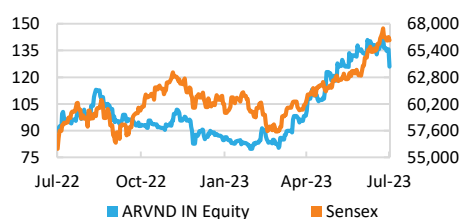
(INR mn)

Year to March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24E	FY25E
Revenue	80,337	83,825	94,489	110,837
EBITDA	7,883	8,000	8,930	10,824
Adjusted profit	2,416	4,167	3,384	4,485
Diluted EPS (INR)	9.3	15.9	12.9	17.2
EPS growth (%)	nm	71.9	(18.8)	32.5
RoAE (%)	8.5	13.2	9.6	11.5
P/E (x)	13.6	7.9	9.7	7.4
EV/EBITDA (x)	6.3	5.7	4.8	3.6
Dividend yield (%)	0	0	0	0

CHANGE IN ESTIMATES

	Revised estimates		% Revision	
Year to March	FY24E	FY25E	FY24E	FY25E
Revenue				
EBITDA				
Adjusted profit				
Diluted EPS (INR)				

PRICE PERFORMANCE



Navigating uncertainties

Arvind reported an 18% YoY/ 6% QoQ dip in EBITDA to INR1.8bn (19% above consensus) on weak textiles partially offset by strong AMD.

Overall sales contracted by 21% YoY to INR19bn in Q1 (flat QoQ) dragged by a 28% YoY dip in textile revenue (flat QoQ). This was partially offset by 22% YoY/ 7% QoQ growth in AMD revenue. Besides, AMD margins (up 450bp YoY/80bp QoQ) continue to rise on the back of high operating leverage. We expect demand to stay muted in Q2. Domestic and export demand for textiles remains soft as Q2 progresses. However, demand revival is likely H2 onwards led by inventory re-stocking ahead of the upcoming festive season. We are keeping estimates unchanged; TP is unchanged too at INR156; 'BUY'.

Modest textiles; AMD sustains momentum

Textile revenue shrunk 28% YoY to INR14bn (flat QoQ). While denim/garments volume fell 35%/26% YoY, it expanded 18%/12% QoQ led by inventory re-stocking across global brands. Volumes in the woven segment dipped 9% YoY and QoQ each on weak retail demand. Textile EBITDA margins were flat YoY, but grew 65bp QoQ on softening cotton prices. AMD revenue grew 22% YoY/7% QoQ to INR3.4bn led by 32%/17%/14% YoY growth in Human protection/Industrials/composites segment. AMD EBITDA margin improved 405bp YoY/80bp QoQ on high operating leverage.

Demand to rebound from H2; operational leverage to drive margins

Domestic and export demand for textiles remains soft as Q2 progresses. The EU/UK seem to have bottomed out, albeit clear green shoots are few. While denim/garment volumes shall slightly inch up, woven volumes shall remain steady in the near term. However, demand revival is likely to be seen from H2 given the festive season. Softening cotton prices and lower freight rates shall marginally aid textile margins in the near term. AMD segment shall continue to grow at 20–25% over the next two years while maintaining margins at ~15%. Management has guided for overall top-line growth of 12–14% for the next two years and margins improvement of ~200bp.

Debt reduction continues; maintain 'BUY'

Net debt reduced by INR260mn QoQ to INR13bn in Q1. Overall, long-term debt will continue to reduce while WC shall increase due to increase in business activities. The company has guided for INR6bn in capex over the next two years. AMD and volume improvement in textiles shall drive future growth. We are keeping estimates unchanged and maintaining the TP at INR156, valuing the stock at 5x FY25E EV/EBITDA; retain 'BUY/SO'.

Financials

Year to March	Q1FY24	Q1FY23	% Change	Q4FY23	% Change
Net Revenue	18,533	23,521	(21.2)	18,808	(1.5)
EBITDA	1,803	2,202	(18.1)	1,908	(5.5)
Adjusted Profit	659	1,056	(37.6)	921	(28.5)
Diluted EPS (INR)	2.5	4.0	(37.6)	3.5	(28.5)

Financial Statements

Income Statement (INR mn)

Year to March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24E	FY25E
Total operating income	80,337	83,825	94,489	110,837
Gross profit	39,117	39,116	47,055	55,197
Employee costs	8,093	8,676	9,457	10,308
Other expenses	23,141	22,440	28,669	34,065
EBITDA	7,883	8,000	8,930	10,824
Depreciation	2,720	2,530	2,750	3,000
Less: Interest expense	1,764	1,642	1,658	1,658
Add: Other income	506	445	508	508
Profit before tax	3,915	4,285	5,051	6,694
Prov for tax	1,363	706	1,667	2,209
Less: Other adj	(137)	588	0	0
Reported profit	2,416	4,167	3,384	4,485
Less: Excp.item (net)	0	0	0	0
Adjusted profit	2,416	4,167	3,384	4,485
Diluted shares o/s	261	262	262	262
Adjusted diluted EPS	9.3	15.9	12.9	17.2
DPS (INR)	0	0	0	0
Tax rate (%)	34.8	16.5	33.0	33.0

Important Ratios (%)

Year to March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24E	FY25E
Denim cap (mn mts)	91.8	54.0	54.0	64.8
Wovens cap (mn mts)	144.0	131.4	144.0	161.5
Denim util (%)	85.0	50.0	50.0	60.0
EBITDA margin (%)	9.8	9.5	9.5	9.8
Net profit margin (%)	3.0	5.0	3.6	4.0
Revenue growth (% YoY)	58.4	4.3	12.7	17.3
EBITDA growth (% YoY)	70.4	1.5	11.6	21.2
Adj. profit growth (%)	nm	72.5	(18.8)	32.5

Assumptions (%)

Year to March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24E	FY25E
GDP (YoY %)	7.0	8.7	6.4	5.8
Repo rate (%)	3.5	4.0	6.0	5.5
USD/INR (average)	73.0	74.5	80.0	78.0
Wovens util (%)	80.0	73.0	80.0	85.0
Denim EBITDA (%)	11.8	10.0	11.7	11.7
Wovens EBITDA (%)	15.7	14.0	14.5	14.5
Garment EBITDA (%)	6.3	5.0	5.5	5.5

Valuation Metrics

Year to March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24E	FY25E
Diluted P/E (x)	13.6	7.9	9.7	7.4
Price/BV (x)	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8
EV/EBITDA (x)	6.3	5.7	4.8	3.6
Dividend yield (%)	0	0	0	0

Source: Company and Nuvama estimates

Balance Sheet (INR mn)

Year to March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24E	FY25E
Share capital	2,606	2,615	2,615	2,615
Reserves	26,899	30,841	34,225	38,710
Shareholders funds	29,505	33,456	36,840	41,325
Minority interest	557	586	586	586
Borrowings	17,595	14,038	21,100	21,101
Trade payables	21,828	12,376	18,898	22,167
Other liabs & prov	4,435	5,608	7,659	8,967
Total liabilities	76,966	68,975	90,760	100,641
Net block	34,375	33,946	34,196	34,196
Intangible assets	438	332	332	332
Capital WIP	453	787	787	787
Total fixed assets	35,265	35,065	35,315	35,315
Non current inv	1,061	2,486	2,486	2,486
Cash/cash equivalent	771	770	11,023	14,852
Sundry debtors	11,086	9,659	12,095	14,187
Loans & advances	405	301	301	301
Other assets	28,378	20,695	29,540	33,500
Total assets	76,966	68,975	90,760	100,641

Free Cash Flow (INR mn)

Year to March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24E	FY25E
Reported profit	2,416	4,167	3,384	4,485
Add: Depreciation	2,720	2,530	2,750	3,000
Interest (net of tax)	1,323	1,232	1,243	1,243
Others	1,424	71	1,553	2,095
Less: Changes in WC	(3,433)	(625)	58	(657)
Operating cash flow	3,088	6,669	7,321	7,957
Less: Capex	(2,981)	(2,837)	(3,000)	(3,000)
Free cash flow	107	3,833	4,321	4,957

Key Ratios

Year to March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24E	FY25E
RoE (%)	8.5	13.2	9.6	11.5
RoCE (%)	12.2	12.4	12.5	13.7
Inventory days	149	157	151	158
Receivable days	50	45	42	43
Payable days	159	140	120	135
Working cap (% sales)	16.8	14.9	16.1	15.1
Gross debt/equity (x)	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.5
Net debt/equity (x)	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.1
Interest coverage (x)	2.9	3.3	3.7	4.7

Valuation Drivers

Year to March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24E	FY25E
EPS growth (%)	nm	71.9	(18.8)	32.5
RoE (%)	8.5	13.2	9.6	11.5
EBITDA growth (%)	70.4	1.5	11.6	21.2
Payout ratio (%)	0	0	0	0

Exhibit 1: EBITDA declined 18% YoY/ 6% QoQ on muted textiles offset by strong AMD

Arvind Ltd	Q1FY24	Q1FY23	YoY (%)	Q4FY23	QoQ	Consensus	Deviation (%)
Revenues (INR mn)	18,533	23,521	(21.2)	18,808	(1.5)	18,922	(2.1)
EBITDA (INR mn)	1,803	2,202	(18.1)	1,908	(5.5)	1,522	18.5
Adj. PAT (INR mn)	696	984	(29.3)	970	(28.3)	510	36.4
EBITDA margins (%)	9.7	9.4	37.0	10.1	(41.4)	8.0	168.7
PAT margins (%)	3.8	4.2	(43.0)	5.2	(140.4)	2.7	105.9

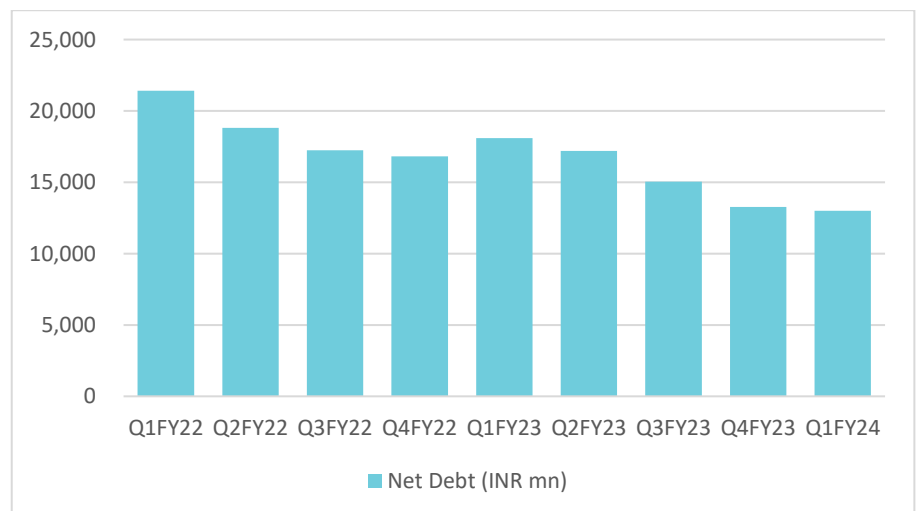
Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 2: Key operational highlights

Segment highlights	Q1FY24	Q1FY23	YoY (%)	Q4FY23	QoQ
Revenue (INR mn)					
Textile	14,181	19,763	(28.2)	14,310	(0.9)
AMD	3,420	2,796	22.3	3,197	7.0
Others	1,147	1,255	(8.6)	1,603	(28.4)
EBITDA (INR mn)					
Textile	1,310	1,840	(28.8)	1,230	6.5
AMD	530	320	65.6	470	12.8
Others	-40	40	NA	210	NA
EBITDA Margins (%)					
Textile	9.2	9.3	(7.3)	8.6	64.2
AMD	15.5	11.4	405.3	14.7	79.8

Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 3: Company continues to pare long-term debt



Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 4: Quarterly financial snapshot (consolidated)

Year to March (INR mn)	Q1FY24	Q1FY23	YoY (%)	Q4FY23	QoQ (%)	FY23A	FY24E	FY25E
Net revenues	18,533	23,521	(21.2)	18,808	(1.5)	83,825	94,489	110,837
Direct costs	8,992	12,945	(30.5)	9,449	(4.8)	44,709	47,433	55,640
Employee expenses	2,382	2,271	4.9	2,180	9.3	8,676	9,457	10,308
Other expenses	5,355	6,104	(12.3)	5,271	1.6	22,440	28,669	34,065
EBIDTA	1,803	2,202	(18.1)	1,908	(5.5)	8,000	8,930	10,824
Depreciation & Amortisation	649	623	4.3	659	(1.5)	2,530	2,750	3,000
EBIT	1,154	1,579	(26.9)	1,249	(7.6)	5,470	6,180	7,824
Less: Interest Expense	365	405	(9.8)	382	(4.5)	1,642	1,658	1,658
Add: Other income	119	85	40.4	123	(3.8)	445	508	508
Add: Exceptional items	10	-	NM	91	(88.5)	588	-	-
Profit before Tax	918	1,259	(27.1)	1,081	(15.0)	4,860	5,031	6,674
Less: Provision for Tax	222	174	28.0	158	41.2	706	1,667	2,209
Add: Share of profit from associates	1	3		1		12	20	20
Less: Minority Interest	38	32	19.7	3	1,176.7	-	-	-
Reported Profit	659	984	(33.1)	970	(32.1)	4,167	3,384	4,485
Adjusted Profit	648	984	(34.1)	879	(26.3)	3,665	3,384	4,485
No. of Diluted shares outstanding (mn)	262	261	0.3	261	0.3	262	262	262
Adjusted Diluted EPS	2.5	3.8	(34.3)	3.4	(26.5)	14.0	12.9	17.2
As % of net revenue								
Direct costs	48.5	55.0		50.2		53.3	50.2	50.2
Employee expenses	12.9	9.7		11.6		10.3	10.0	9.3
Other expenses	28.9	25.9		28.0		26.8	30.3	30.7
EBIDTA	9.7	9.4		10.1		9.5	9.5	9.8
Net profit	3.5	4.2		4.7		4.4	3.6	4.0
Tax rate	24.2	13.8		14.6		14.5	33.1	33.1

Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Company Description

Incorporated in 1931, Arvind Ltd, is the largest textile company in India and is a part of the Lalbhai group. Arvind was the pioneer in the denim space in India and entered the export market for Denims in 1987-88. Currently it is the leader in the denim manufacturing space and supplies to customers like GAP, Lee, Wrangler, Levi's etc. Apart from denim, the company has also emerged as a leading manufacturer in the woven space (with customers like Madura Garments, Marks & Spencers etc.) and is now enhancing its presence in the garmenting segment (which has customers like GAP, Tommy Hilfiger, Calvin Klein etc.).

Investment Theme

Mature textile business to provide base for growth: Arvind is the largest cotton textile manufacturer in India. With capacity of 108mn meters, it is one of the largest denim manufacturers globally. Similarly, it is the leader in the woven segment in India and is also scaling up garmenting capacities to forge an integrated business model. Along with calibrated capacity addition, the company is steadily focussing on value addition.

Key Risks

Raw materials, mainly cotton/cotton yarn, constitute ~45% of the company's overall cost base. Any significant increase in raw material prices (FY11 saw spike in cotton prices) can adversely impact Arvind's profitability

Additional Data

Management

MD & CEO	Sanjay S. Lalbhai
CFO	Jayesh Shah
Exec. Director	Punit Lalbhai
Exec. Director	Kulin Lalbhai
Auditor	Deloitte Haskins & Sells

Holdings – Top 10*

	% Holding		% Holding
HDFC AMC	4.65	LIC	1.56
AURA BUSINESS	3.02	ZEN	1.18
AML EMPLOYEES	2.44	FundRock	1.11
TT Internationa	1.68	Dimensional Fun	1.04
Atul Ltd	1.59	Acadian AMC	1.01

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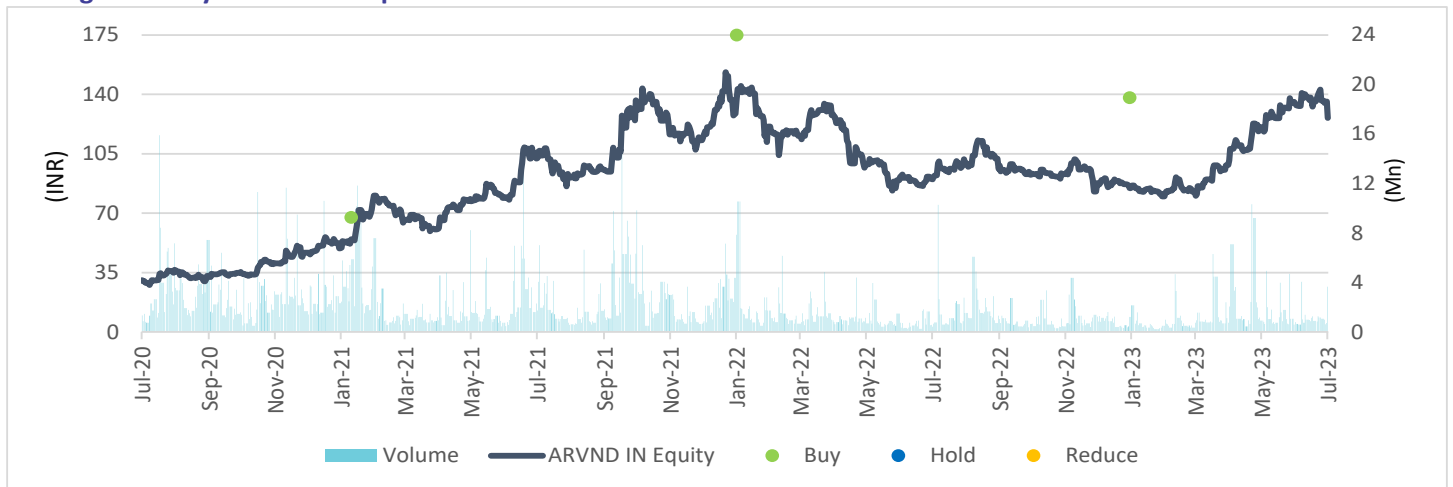
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Date	Title	Price	Reco
19-May-23	Holding on amid weak environment; <i>Result Update</i>	122	Buy
25-Jan-23	Holding on in a weak environment; <i>Result Update</i>	85	Buy
09-Nov-22	Margins sustain; outlook uncertain ; <i>Result Update</i>	105	Buy

Recent Sector Research

Date	Name of Co./Sector	Title
27-Apr-23	Welspun India	Tell-tale green shoots ; <i>Result Update</i>
30-Jan-23	Welspun India	Demand uncertainty continues; <i>Result Update</i>
09-Nov-22	Welspun India	Demand outlook remains foggy; <i>Result Update</i>

Rating and Daily Volume Interpretation



Rating Rationale & Distribution: Nuvama Research

Rating	Expected absolute returns over 12 months	Rating Distribution
Buy	15%	197
Hold	<15% and >-5%	65
Reduce	<-5%	16

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