RESULT UPDATE



KEY DATA

| Rating | BUY |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Sector relative | Outperformer |
| Price (INR) | 302 |
| 12 month price target (INR) | 373 |
| 52 Week High/Low | 385/270 |
| Market cap (INR bn/USD bn) | 453/5.2 |
| Free float (%) | 50.0 |
| Avg. daily value traded (INR mn) | 807.3 |

SHAREHOLDING PATTERN

| | Jun-25 | Mar-25 | Dec-24 |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|
| Promoter | 50% | 50% | 50% |
| FII | 28.77% | 28.61% | 27.31% |
| DII | 11.18% | 11.1% | 11.8% |
| Pledge | 0% | 0% | 0% |

| FINANCIALS (INR m | | | | NR mn) |
|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Year to March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E |
| Revenue | 527,284 | 509,796 | 482,929 | 500,369 |
| EBITDA | 52,065 | 55,241 | 57,283 | 63,105 |
| Adjusted profit | 35,362 | 39,264 | 40,691 | 44,927 |
| Diluted EPS (INR) | 23.6 | 26.2 | 27.1 | 30.0 |
| EPS growth (%) | 9.1 | 11.0 | 3.6 | 10.4 |
| RoAE (%) | 22.2 | 21.6 | 19.7 | 19.4 |
| P/E (x) | 12.8 | 11.5 | 11.1 | 10.1 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 7.3 | 6.4 | 6.1 | 5.4 |
| Dividend yield (%) | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 4.0 |

PRICE PERFORMANCE



Q1 miss; capturing new demand markets

PLNG has converted the proposed 4mtpa FSRU terminal at Gopalpur to a land-based terminal at an incremental cost of INR41bn to cater to demand in Eastern India. The 5mtpa brownfield Dahej expansion is marginally delayed to FY26-end due to temporary execution challenges.

Highlights: i) Q1 EBITDA plunged 26% YoY, missing our/consensus estimates by 7%/8% on higher provisioning against UoP dues. ii) Volumes fell 16% YoY on lower third-party volumes (-29% YoY) due to lower price of alternative fuels and reduced demand from power and fertilisers sector, but came in 2% above our estimates leading to 4% gross profit beat. iii) Retain 'BUY' on compelling 12x FY27E P/E, 20% RoE, steady growth and net-cash balance sheet; TP at INR373 (from INR400).

Catering to eastern India demand; slight delay in Dahej expansion

PLNG's board granted in-principle approval to set-up a 5mtpa land-based greenfield regasification terminal at Gopalpur at INR64bn (in lieu of the planned 4mtpa FSRU terminal at INR23bn). Management is optimistic of the Gopalpur terminal reaching elevated levels of capacity utilisation, similar to Dahej, once pipelines connect it to the National Gas Grid with numerous potential offtakers in East and North-East India. Commissioning of Dahej terminal's 5mtpa low-cost expansion has been delayed to FY26-end, owing to monsoon and cross border tensions related disruptions in Q1.

EBITDA miss on UoP provisioning; volumes down 16% YoY

PLNG's reported EBITDA at INR11.6bn missed our/consensus estimates by 7%/8% primarily on higher provisions related to UoP receivables. That said gross profit beat our estimates by 4% on higher-than-expected volumes (+2%). PAT came in at INR8.5bn (-26% YoY), 6%/5% below our/consensus estimates as higher other income (+6%) partly offset EBITDA miss. Overall volumes fell 16% YoY on the back of lower thirdparty volumes (-29% YoY) due to lower price of alternative fuels and reduced demand from power and fertilisers sector.

Positive long-term outlook; reiterate 'BUY'

PLNG shall benefit from: i) Upcoming low-cost 5mtpa expansion at Dahej by FY26-end. ii) Completion of the Kochi-Bangalore pipeline, which will connect its Kochi terminal to the National Gas Grid. iii) Huge liquefaction capacity coming up globally, pressurising LNG prices. iv) Long-term fixed quantity UoP contracts with buyers with annual 5% tariff hikes. We are cutting FY26E/27E EBITDA by 4%/6% as we conservatively cut volume forecasts while raising opex and cut TP to INR373 (from INR400). Retain 'BUY' on undemanding implied 12x FY27E P/E and 20% RoE.

Financials

| Year to March | Q1FY26 | Q1FY25 | % Change | Q4FY25 | % Change |
|-------------------|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|
| Net Revenue | 118,799 | 134,151 | (11.4) | 123,158 | (3.5) |
| EBITDA | 11,597 | 15,630 | (25.8) | 15,129 | (23.3) |
| Adjusted Profit | 8,506 | 11,416 | (25.5) | 10,702 | (20.5) |
| Diluted EPS (INR) | 5.7 | 7.6 | (25.5) | 7.1 | (20.5) |

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Financial Statements

Income Statement (INR mn)

| Year to March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Total operating income | 527,284 | 509,796 | 482,929 | 500,369 |
| Gross profit | 62,643 | 66,817 | 70,486 | 78,167 |
| Employee costs | 1,917 | 2,194 | 2,413 | 2,655 |
| Other expenses | 8,661 | 9,382 | 10,789 | 12,408 |
| EBITDA | 52,065 | 55,241 | 57,283 | 63,105 |
| Depreciation | 7,766 | 8,062 | 8,465 | 8,888 |
| Less: Interest expense | 2,897 | 2,580 | 2,709 | 2,845 |
| Add: Other income | 6,167 | 8,153 | 8,561 | 8,989 |
| Profit before tax | 47,570 | 52,752 | 54,669 | 60,360 |
| Prov for tax | 12,208 | 13,488 | 13,978 | 15,434 |
| Less: Other adj | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Reported profit | 35,362 | 39,264 | 40,691 | 44,927 |
| Less: Excp.item (net) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Adjusted profit | 35,362 | 39,264 | 40,691 | 44,927 |
| Diluted shares o/s | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| Adjusted diluted EPS | 23.6 | 26.2 | 27.1 | 30.0 |
| DPS (INR) | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.9 | 12.0 |
| Tax rate (%) | 25.7 | 25.6 | 25.6 | 25.6 |

Balance Sheet (INR mn)

| Year to March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E | | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|--|
| Share capital | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 | | |
| Reserves | 154,628 | 178,824 | 203,238 | 230,194 | | |
| Shareholders funds | 169,628 | 193,824 | 218,238 | 245,194 | | |
| Minority interest | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Borrowings | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Trade payables | 28,646 | 25,620 | 23,854 | 24,419 | | |
| Other liabs & prov | 19,103 | 20,912 | 28,398 | 30,245 | | |
| Total liabilities | 250,759 | 268,009 | 298,144 | 327,511 | | |
| Net block | 61,517 | 71,161 | 88,272 | 102,587 | | |
| Intangible assets | 19,953 | 17,199 | 20,482 | 20,982 | | |
| Capital WIP | 15,524 | 16,418 | 17,418 | 21,418 | | |
| Total fixed assets | 96,994 | 104,778 | 126,171 | 144,987 | | |
| Non current inv | 1,748 | 1,810 | 8,549 | 8,549 | | |
| Cash/cash equivalent | 74,097 | 101,409 | 106,058 | 114,533 | | |
| Sundry debtors | 36,261 | 32,669 | 30,947 | 32,065 | | |
| Loans & advances | 237 | 240 | 4,810 | 4,984 | | |
| Other assets | 41,422 | 27,105 | 21,609 | 22,394 | | |
| Total assets | 250,759 | 268,009 | 298,144 | 327,511 | | |

Important Ratios (%)

| Year to March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E |
|-------------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| Crude price (Brent) | 82.0 | 80.0 | 70.0 | 70.0 |
| Dahej total sales (mmt) | 16.7 | 16.9 | 17.4 | 18.7 |
| Dahej capacity (mmt) | 17.5 | 17.5 | 22.5 | 22.5 |
| EBITDA margin (%) | 9.9 | 10.8 | 11.9 | 12.6 |
| Net profit margin (%) | 6.7 | 7.7 | 8.4 | 9.0 |
| Revenue growth (% YoY) | (12.0) | (3.3) | (5.3) | 3.6 |
| EBITDA growth (% YoY) | 7.2 | 6.1 | 3.7 | 10.2 |
| Adj. profit growth (%) | 9.1 | 11.0 | 3.6 | 10.4 |

Free Cash Flow (INR mn)

| | , | | | |
|-----------------------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| Year to March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E |
| Reported profit | 35,362 | 39,264 | 40,691 | 44,927 |
| Add: Depreciation | 7,766 | 8,062 | 8,465 | 8,888 |
| Interest (net of tax) | 2,153 | 1,921 | 2,017 | 2,117 |
| Others | (32,170) | 14,693 | (9,698) | (7,486) |
| Less: Changes in WC | (12,962) | 11,195 | (1,154) | 335 |
| Operating cash flow | 26,073 | 52,745 | 42,629 | 48,113 |
| Less: Capex | 2,094 | 18,600 | 27,076 | 27,704 |
| Free cash flow | 23,979 | 34,145 | 15,553 | 20,409 |

Assumptions (%)

| Year to March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| GDP (YoY %) | 8.0 | 8.0 | 7.0 | 6.8 |
| Repo rate (%) | 6.5 | 6.0 | 5.0 | 4.5 |
| USD/INR (average) | 82.8 | 84.4 | 86.5 | 85.0 |
| Kochi total sales (mmt) | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.4 |
| Kochi capacity (mmt) | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| PLNG's total sales (mmt) | 17.7 | 18.0 | 18.6 | 20.2 |
| Dahej tariff (INR/ mmbtu) | 62.9 | 66.0 | 69.3 | 72.8 |
| Average opex (INR/mmbtu) | 10.5 | 11.4 | 13.7 | 14.4 |
| Kochi tariff (INR/mbtu) | 91.6 | 96.2 | 101.0 | 101.0 |

Key Ratios

| Year to March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| RoE (%) | 22.2 | 21.6 | 19.7 | 19.4 |
| RoCE (%) | 31.6 | 30.4 | 27.8 | 27.3 |
| Inventory days | 10 | 11 | 10 | 10 |
| Receivable days | 26 | 25 | 24 | 23 |
| Payable days | 18 | 22 | 22 | 21 |
| Working cap (% sales) | 6.9 | 3.8 | 2.3 | 2.1 |
| Gross debt/equity (x) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Net debt/equity (x) | (0.4) | (0.5) | (0.5) | (0.5) |
| Interest coverage (x) | 15.3 | 18.3 | 18.0 | 19.1 |

Valuation Metrics

| Year to March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E |
|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Diluted P/E (x) | 12.8 | 11.5 | 11.1 | 10.1 |
| Price/BV (x) | 2.7 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 1.8 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 7.3 | 6.4 | 6.1 | 5.4 |
| Dividend yield (%) | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 4.0 |
| | | | | |

Source: Company and Nuvama estimates

Valuation Drivers

| Year to March | FY24A | FY25A | FY26E | FY27E |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| EPS growth (%) | 9.1 | 11.0 | 3.6 | 10.4 |
| RoE (%) | 22.2 | 21.6 | 19.7 | 19.4 |
| EBITDA growth (%) | 7.2 | 6.1 | 3.7 | 10.2 |
| Payout ratio (%) | 42.4 | 38.2 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| | | | | |

Q1FY26 conference call: Key takeaways

Gopalpur: 5mtpa land-based project replaces 4mtpa FSRU-based terminal

PLNG's Board of Directors has granted an in-principle additional investment approval for setting up of a 5mmtpa land-based LNG Terminal (INR64bn) at Gopalpur from earlier approval of 4mmtpa Floating Storage and Regasification Unit (FSRU) based LNG terminal (INR23bn). The switch to land-based terminal was due to recent rise in rent rates. It shall be PLNG's first greenfield LNG terminal on the East coast of India.

Gopalpur trunk pipeline connectivity is ~30–35km away from the planned terminal location. Once connectivity of the terminal with the trunk pipeline is established, it shall be connected to the National Gas Grid, thus enabling PLNG to cater to LNG demand from East and North-East India.

Kochi-Bangalore pipeline completion to ignite volumes at Kochi terminal

Kochi terminal's utilisation rate was a subdued 20% in Q1FY26. The construction of the Kochi-Bangalore gas pipeline is likely to be completed by FY26-end, which shall drive higher volumes at Kochi terminal due to its connectivity with the National Gas Grid. BPCL remains the key potential off-taker of Kochi terminal volumes with GAIL and IOCL among others.

Gorgon Phase-2: 1.2mtpa tied for 15 years, beginning from FY26-end

PLNG has entered into a long-term gas-sourcing contract with ExxonMobil of 1.2mmtpa of LNG. The sourcing would commence by FY26-end with initial volumes of ~0.5mmtpa and a gradual ramp-up to contracted 1.2mmtpa. The contract has been entered into for a span of 15 years. Current sourcing volume from ExxonMobil stands at 1.42mtpa.

Qatar Energy contract renewed; downstream contracts yet to be finalised

Management clarified that PLNG is still in the process of finalising downstream contracts with off-takers of LNG sourced through the renewed 7.5mtpa Qatar Energy contract.

UoP provisioning: 20-30-50 policy; management optimistic of recovering UoP dues

PLNG provides for non-realisation of use-or-pay (UoP) receivables at 20% after the first year, 30% after the second year and balance 50% after the third year of receivables becoming due. In Q1FY26, net provision of INR1.4bn was made for UoP receivables. Management has asserted that UoP provisioning is solely done for meeting the 'prudence' concept of Accounting Standards while they remain highly optimistic of recovering these dues as they consider the same to be wholly contractual.

Volumes down 16% YoY on increased demand for alternative fuels

The company' overall volume throughput stood at 220tbtu in Q1FY26, down 16% YoY owing to lower price of alternative fuels, and YoY decline in demand from power and fertilisers. Volumes recovered sequentially though (+7% QoQ), owing to QoQ recovery in demand from power and fertilisers. Kochi terminal volumes were lower at 13tbtu due to seasonal Q1 maintenance shutdown. Management confirmed that there was no impact on volumes due to GAIL's Dabhol terminal coming online; led by firm quantity agreements and strong demand.

Inventory gains at INR420mn; trading gains: nil

PLNG's regasification revenue was INR6.4bn with inventory gain being INR420mn while trading gains were nil due to an unfavourable trading environment.

Petchem project on track while Dahej expansion slightly delayed

Petchem project is scheduled to be completed by end-FY28, i.e. its originally planned timeline. Commissioning of Dahej terminal's 5mmtpa expansion project has been marginally delayed to FY26-end owing to work stoppages led by cross border conflict between India and Pakistan on India's western front.

Q1FY26 capex at INR5bn; guidance of INR50bn for FY26E

- In FY26, management guided for a total scheduled capex of ~INR50bn with capex for FY27 likely to be even higher. A broad breakdown of capex includes a third jetty for Dahej terminal and petchem project. Furthermore, ~INR3bn is planned for Gopalpur terminal, ~INR1bn is to be scheduled for 25 CBG plants and ~INR1bn has been allocated for a new corporate office at Dwarka in FY26.
- To meet the above capex requirements, PLNG is looking to raise INR120bn through a rupee term loan. PLNG's lined-up capex stands at INR300bn, with petchem constituting the majority share.

Exhibit 1: EBITDA down 26% YoY with 16% lower volumes YoY on account of lower third-party volumes

| PLNG | Q1FY26 | Q1FY25 | YoY % | Q4FY25 | QoQ % | Nuvama estimates | vs. estimates | Consensus | vs. consensus |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------|
| Revenues (INR mn) | 1,18,799 | 1,34,151 | (11.4) | 1,23,158 | (3.5) | 1,22,979 | (3.4) | 1,22,293 | (2.9) |
| EBITDA (INR mn) | 11,597 | 15,630 | (25.8) | 15,129 | (23.3) | 12,461 | (6.9) | 12,644 | (8.3) |
| PAT (INR mn) | 8,506 | 11,416 | (25.5) | 10,702 | (20.5) | 9,064 | (6.2) | 8,973 | (5.2) |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Long term sales (mmt) | 2.28 | 2.14 | 6.3 | 2.20 | 3.5 | 2.18 | 4.4 | | |
| Self spot sales (mmt) | 0.00 | 0.14 | (100.0) | 0.04 | (100.0) | 0.04 | (100.0) | | |
| Third-party sales (mmt) | 1.97 | 2.78 | (29.2) | 1.72 | 14.6 | 1.97 | - | | |
| Total sales (mmt) | 4.24 | 5.05 | (16.0) | 3.95 | 7.3 | 4.19 | 1.4 | | |

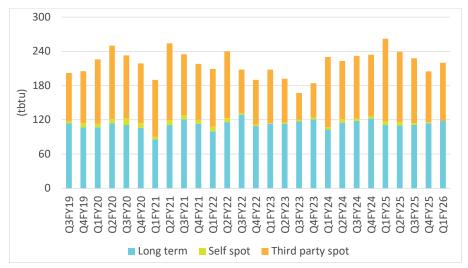
Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 2: Dahej volumes -17% YoY on subdued power demand, fertiliser plant shutdowns, cheaper liquid fuels on fall in crude

| ТВТИ | Q1FY26 | Q1FY25 | YoY % | Q4FY25 | QoQ % | Nuvama est. | vs. estimates |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------|---------------|
| Dahej Volumes | | | | | | | |
| Long term cargo | 105.0 | 97.0 | 8.2 | 99.0 | 6.1 | 98.0 | 7.1 |
| Self spot sales | 0.0 | 7.0 | NM | 1.0 | NM | 2.0 | NM |
| Third-party spot sales | 102.0 | 144.0 | (29.2) | 89.0 | 14.6 | 102.0 | 0.0 |
| Total Dahej sales | 207.0 | 248.0 | (16.5) | 189.0 | 9.5 | 202.0 | 2.5 |
| Dahej terminal utilization (%) | 91 | 109 | | 83 | | 89.0 | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Kochi Volumes | | | | | | | |
| Long term cargo | 13.0 | 14.0 | (7.1) | 15.0 | (13.3) | 15.0 | (13.3) |
| Self spot sales | 0.0 | 0.0 | NM | 1.0 | NM | 0.0 | NM |
| Third-party + reload | 0.0 | 0.0 | NM | 0.0 | NM | 0.0 | NM |
| Total Kochi sales | 13.0 | 14.0 | (7.1) | 16.0 | (18.8) | 15.0 | (13.3) |
| Kochi terminal utilization (%) | 20 | 22 | | 25 | | 23.1 | |

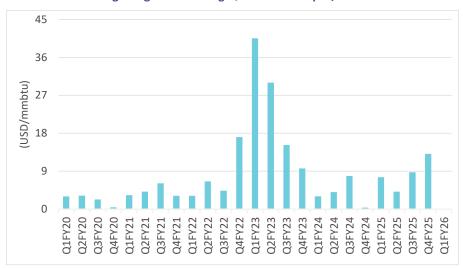
Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 3: Volume - 16% YoY/+7% QoQ on QoQ revival in power, fertiliser demand



Source: Company, Nuvama Research

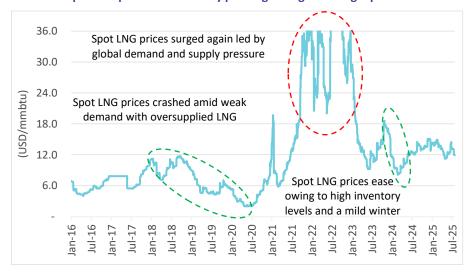
Exhibit 4: Marketing margins NA during Q1FY26 on nil spot/short-term volumes



Source: Company, Nuvama Research

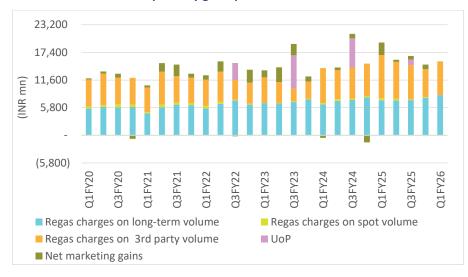
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Exhibit 5: Spot LNG prices tail off in July post slight surge on ME geopolitical tension



Source: Bloomberg, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 6: Breakdown of quarterly gross profit



Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 7: Quarterly financial snapshot (INR mn)

| Q1FY26 118,799 103,869 14,930 635 2,697 | Q1FY25 134,151 114,666 19,485 | YoY % -11.4 -9.4 -23.4 | Q4FY25 123,158 108,316 | QoQ % -3.5 -4.1 | FY25 509,796 442,979 | FY26E 482,929 | FY27E 500,369 |
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| 635 | • | -23.4 | 14044 | | 772,373 | 412,443 | 422,202 |
| | 577 | | 14,841 | 0.6 | 66,817 | 70,486 | 78,167 |
| 2,697 | 311 | 10.0 | 467 | 36.1 | 2,194 | 2,413 | 2,655 |
| _, | 3,278 | -17.7 | -755 | NA | 9,382 | 10,789 | 12,408 |
| 11,597 | 15,630 | -25.8 | 15,129 | -23.3 | 55,241 | 57,283 | 63,105 |
| 2,070 | 1,946 | 6.4 | 2,058 | 0.6 | 8,062 | 8,465 | 8,888 |
| 9,528 | 13,684 | -30.4 | 13,071 | -27.1 | 47,179 | 48,818 | 54,216 |
| 590 | 667 | -11.5 | 609 | -3.1 | 2,580 | 2,709 | 2,845 |
| 2,423 | 2,181 | 11.1 | 1,995 | 21.4 | 8,153 | 8,561 | 8,989 |
| 0 | 0 | NA | 0 | NA | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | NA | 0 | NA | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 11,361 | 15,199 | -25.3 | 14,458 | -21.4 | 52,752 | 54,669 | 60,360 |
| 2,855 | 3,783 | -24.5 | 3,757 | -24.0 | 13,488 | 13,978 | 15,434 |
| 8,506 | 11,416 | -25.5 | 10,702 | -20.5 | 39,264 | 40,691 | 44,927 |
| 8,506 | 11,416 | -25.5 | 10,702 | -20.5 | 39,264 | 40,691 | 44,927 |
| 1,500 | 1,500 | 0.0 | 1,500 | 0.0 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| 5.7 | 7.6 | -25.5 | 7.1 | -20.5 | 26.2 | 27.1 | 30.0 |
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| 9.8 | 11.7 | | 12.3 | | 10.8 | 11.9 | 12.6 |
| 7.2 | 8.5 | | 8.7 | | 7.7 | 8.4 | 9.0 |
| 25.1 | 24.9 | | 26.0 | | 25.6 | 25.6 | 25.6 |
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Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Gas: Price plummet imminent by H2CY26

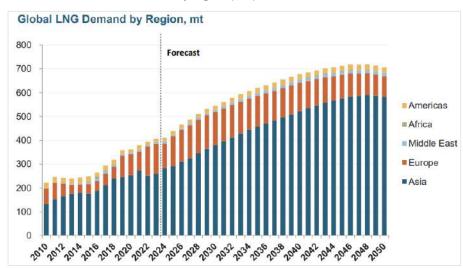
Limited supply uptick till CY26

FGE anticipates limited supply growth in the LNG market in 2025E owing to delays in project commissioning and outage risks. This may provide a floor to LNG spot prices in the short term. Therefore, strong supply growth is expected only from H2CY26E.

The recent milder winter helped maintain healthy gas/LNG inventories in the EU and Asia. That said, a colder winter this year compared with last year can trigger stronger YoY gas/LNG demand growth in Asia and Europe. Higher prices in the EU and NEA gas/LNG markets can limit YoY demand growth through 2025E. With Russian gas supply through Ukraine to the EU cutting off from 1 January 2025, FGE expects an impact of 7–7.5mtpa LNG supply going in to the EU.

LNG demand remains resilient despite the energy transition. Although there is much discussion about renewables and clean energy, security and reliability of energy supply still firmly favours natural gas. Asia remains the heart of the LNG market and drives strong demand growth. Developing Asian economies have begun to shun coal, thereby further supporting LNG demand.

Exhibit 8: Global LNG demand by region (MT)

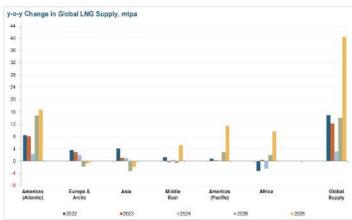


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Exhibit 9: LNG demand versus supply growth by region



Exhibit 10: Huge LNG capacities (~40mtpa) to unleash in CY26E



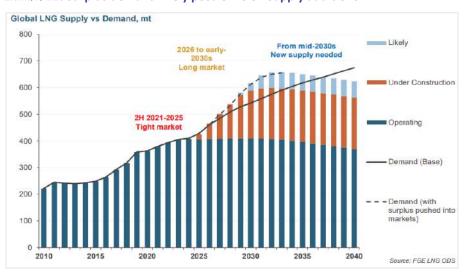
Source: FGE LNG ODS Source: FGE

LNG market to rebalance by CY26; tightness may emerge from CY31

CY26–31: From CY26, a wave of supply shall hit the market (~40mtpa). The extent of additions shall sustain until CY31E with 200mtpa capacity under construction. Europe continues to soak up LNG to phase out coal while lower prices attract Asian players back into the market. Some US LNG shut-ins would also help balance the market. Despite low prompt prices, established LNG buyers and IOCs should look to support pre-FID projects.

Post CY31: In the absence of FIDs over 2025–27, tightness could emerge from 2031.

Exhibit 11: Surplus demand likely post-CY26 on supply additions



Source: FGE LNG ODS

LNG Supply Growth Adjusted for Risk Delay, mtpa

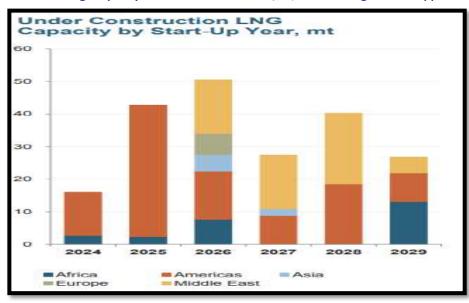
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— Average Y-o-Y demand growth (2014-23)

Exhibit 12: Risk-adjusted LNG supply YoY growth

Source: FGE

Exhibit 13: Huge capacity to be unleashed in CY25/26; US to be largest LNG supplier

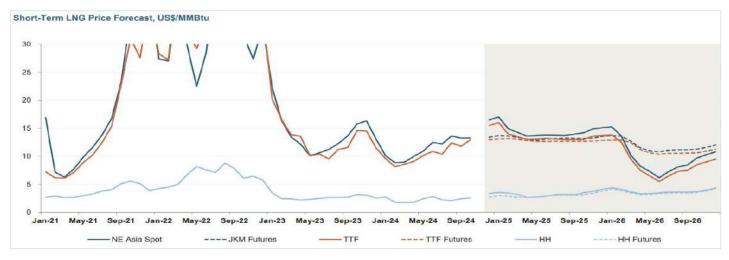


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Pressure on crude-linked LNG contracts likely

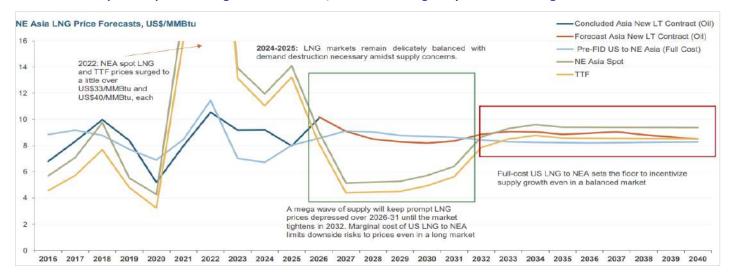
Given expectations of a fall in spot LNG prices beginning CY26, slopes of long-term crude-linked contracts are likely to face some pressure in the near term hereon. Current slopes of long-term LNG contracts are in the range of 12–13%, with expectations of contraction to 11% over coming years.

Exhibit 14: Near-term LNG spot price forecast: Normal winter and low supply to support CY25E prices; plunge likely in CY26E



Source: Refinitiv, ICE, CME, and FGE

Exhibit 15: Asia spot LNG price convergence at USD8.5-9/mmbtu following likely weakness during CY26-31



Source: FGE

Exhibit 16: Japan/China LNG demand to flatten over 2035-45*



Exhibit 17: India's LNG demand strong in near and long-term



Source: FGE

^{*} India's LNG demand to continue to surge

Company Description

PLNG is the largest domestic player in India importing, storing and regasifying LNG. It has a unique risk-free business model, generating revenue by charging regasification margins on imported LNG.

Moreover, supply- and demand-side risks are hedged through a long-term sourcing contract with Ras-Gas Qatar and offtake contracts from three of its promoters: Gail India, Indian Oil Corporation (IOCL) and Bharat Petroleum Corporation (BPCL). Expansion of its Dahej terminal to 20MMT is likely to be completed by CY23. It also has a 5mmtpa terminal at Kochi.

Investment Theme

Volume growth is key to PLNGs prospects, and that would be driven by commissioning of the 5mmtpa LNG terminal at Kochi and expansion of the Dahej LNG terminal to 20mmtpa. The Kochi terminal has been commissioned. LNG offtake though could be a variable due to pipeline issues.

Besides, weak industrial demand could lead to lower marketing margin on spot cargoes. Key upside triggers are: Clarity on utilisation rate post expansion at Dahej and new terminal at Kochi.

Key Risks

- Current annual escalation of 5% in re-gasification charges may not persist after a while if it begins to impact the demand.
- Prolonged gap between long-term RasGas and spot-LNG prices could result in deferment/lowering of term LNG volumes.
- High gas prices may lower demand for R-LNG, thus making it unviable for PLNG to source more long-term supplies.
- Increase in domestic gas production and start of other LNG terminals in the country could affect PLNG's utilisation.

Additional Data

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
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| Director (Finance) & CFO | Vinod Kumar Mishra |
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| Auditor | M/s V. Sankar Aiyar & Co., Chartered Accountants |

Recent Company Research

| Date | Title | Price | Reco |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------|------|
| 20-May-25 | Q4 beat; upside to volume growth; Result Update | 317 | Buy |
| 28-Jan-25 | In-line results; efforts on to recover U; <i>Result Update</i> | 326 | Buy |
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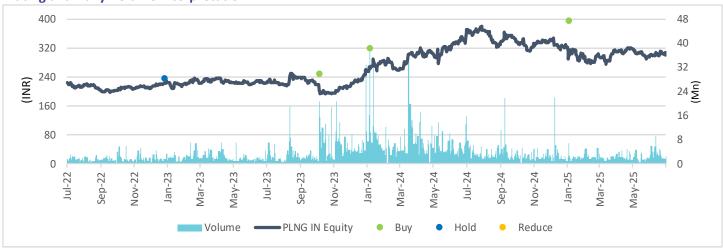
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| Bharat Petroleu | 12.50 | Kotak Mahindra | 2.35 |
| Oil & Natural G | 12.50 | Vanguard Group | 2.06 |
| Indian Oil Corp | 12.50 | Blackrock Inc | 1.87 |
| GAIL India Ltd | 12.50 | FMR LLC | 1.58 |
| SBI Funds Manag | 5.26 | Republic of Sin | 1.29 |

^{*}Latest public data

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| Date | Name of Co./Sector | Title |
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| 23-Jul-25 | Mahanagar Gas | Optical beat; FY26 volume guidance cut; Result Update |
| 19-Jul-25 | Reliance Inds. | NE gaining pace; multi-decadal driver; Result Update |
| 02-Jul-25 | Oil & Gas | RIL, OMCs to outshine other segments; Sector Update |

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| Buy | 15% | 202 | | | |
| Hold | <15% and >-5% | 66 | | | |
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