UNITY

9MFY23 Result Review: BUY Stance Maintained



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UNITY has announced its 9MFY23 result where it posted a loss after tax of Rs0.82bn (Diluted LPS: Rs0.69) as compared to a profit after tax of Rs1.98bn (Diluted EPS: Rs1.66) in the same period last year, down by 1.42x amid huge exchange losses and higher finance costs.

The company has posted a revenue of Rs70.75bn against Rs56.68bn in SPLY, recording a growth of 24.8% YoY. We note that this growth is attributed to the increase in volumetric sales. The gross margin has improved to 11.9% from 9.5% in SPLY.

Furthermore, operating expenses have increased by 50.6% YoY to Rs1.54bn as compared to Rs1.02bn during SPLY. Other charges surged by 3.5x to Rs7.15bn as compared to Rs1.59bn in SPLY.

The finance cost has surged massively by 94.3% YoY to Rs2.16bn as compared to Rs1.11bn during SPLY owing to higher borrowings and higher interest rates. Lastly, effective taxation has increased to 54.4% as compared to 10.3% in the SPLY.

The scrip is currently trading at FY23E PB of 0.88x which offers a discount of 43% relative to its 3-Year average of 1.53x. We recommend to **BUY** the scrip with a DCF-based Dec-23 TP of Rs15 which provides an upside potential of 14%.

Rupees' millions	3QFY23	3QFY22	YoY	9MFY23	9MFY22	YoY
Net Sales	27,940	19,917	40.3% 🔺	70,746	56,678	24.8% 🔺
Cost of Sales	-22,658	-18,055	25.5% 🔺	-62,335	-51,276	21.6% 🔺
Gross Profit	5,282	1,862	183.7% 🔺	8,410	5,401	55.7% 🔺
SG&A Expenses	-495	-344	44.0% 🔺	-1,537	-1,021	50.6% 🔺
Other Charges	-5,201	-399	1203.0%	-7,155	-1,590	349.9% 🔺
Operating Profit	-414	1,119	137.0% 🔻	-282	2,790	110.1% 🔻
Other Income	348	206	69.2% 🔺	634	531	19.4% 🔺
Finance Cost	-1,040	-379	174.8% 🔺	-2,163	-1,113	94.3% 🔺
Profit Before Taxation	-1,106	946	216.9% 🔻	-1,811	2,208	182.0% 🔻
Taxation	904	-53	1814.4% 🔻	986	-228	532.5% 🔻
Profit After Taxation	-202	893	77.4% 🔻	-825	1,980	141.7% 🔻
Earnings Per Share	-0.17	0.75	77.4% 🔻	-0.69	1.66	141.7% 🔻
Dividend	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	
Bonus	0%	0%		0	0%	
Gross Margin	18.9%	9.3%	9.6% 🔺	11.9%	9.5%	2.4% 🔺
SG&A Expenses to Sales	-1.8%	-1.7%	0.0% 🔺	-2.2%	-1.8%	0.4% 🔺
Other Income to Sales	1.2%	1.0%	0.2% 🔺	0.9%	0.9%	0.0% 🔻
Ex. Gain / (Loss) to Sales	-1.8%	-1.7%	0.0% 🔺	-2.2%	-1.8%	0.4% 🔺
Effective Taxation	-81.8%	-5.6%	76.2% 🔺	-54.4%	-10.3%	44.1% 🔺
Net Margin	-0.7%	4.5%	5.2% 🔻	-1.2%	3.5%	4.7% ▼

Source: ACPL Research, Company Financials

Key Statistics

Symbol	UNITY
TP - Dec 23	15
LDCP	13.15
Upside (%)	14
Free Float ('mn)	478
Market Cap. (Rs.'mn)	15,702



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Sales (Rs'bn) vs Gross Margin

PAT (Rs'mn) vs Net Margin



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Financial Projections

Rupees' millions	FY20A	FY21A	FY22A	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Revenue	29,872	66,401	82,185	94,329	106,595	119,377	133,692
Cost of sales	-27,843	-61,209	-74,339	-80,415	-94,865	-105,941	-118,311
Gross profit	2,029	5,192	7,846	13,913	11,731	13,436	15,381
Distribution cost	-691	-1,035	-726	-1,245	-1,883	-2,109	-2,362
Administrative expenses	-220	-393	-659	-805	-910	-1,019	-1,141
Other operating expenses	-388	189	-3,152	-9,540	-3,987	-4,465	-5,001
Profit from operations	731	3,953	3,310	2,323	4,951	5,843	6,878
Other income	9	317	843	967	898	1,006	1,126
Finance cost	-545	-880	-1,664	-2,883	-2,941	-3,000	-3,060
Profit before income tax	195	3,389	2,489	407	2,908	3,849	4,944
Income tax expense	15	-277	-52	-222	-373	-494	-634
Profit for the year	210	3,112	2,436	185	2,535	3,355	4,310
EPS	0.18	2.61	2.04	0.16	2.12	2.81	3.61
EBITDA	855	4,113	3,609	3,047	5,719	6,658	7,743

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Horizontal Analysis

	FY20A	FY21A	FY22A	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Revenue	111.9%	122.3%	23.8%	14.8%	13.0%	12.0%	12.0%
Cost of sales	117.2%	119.8%	21.5%	8.2%	18.0%	11.7%	11.7%
Gross profit	58.9%	155.8%	51.1%	77.3%	-15.7%	14.5%	14.5%
Distribution cost	93.7%	49.9%	-29.9%	71.5%	51.3%	12.0%	12.0%
Administrative expenses	21.5%	78.9%	67.5%	22.2%	13.0%	12.0%	12.0%
Other operating expenses	118.0%	-51.2%	1564.3%	202.7%	-58.2%	12.0%	12.0%
Profit from operations	30.1%	440.7%	-16.3%	-29.8%	113.1%	18.0%	17.7%
Other income	641.8%	3609.0%	166.2%	14.8%	-7.2%	12.0%	12.0%
Finance cost	89.1%	61.5%	89.0%	73.3%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Profit before income tax	-29.2%	1642.0%	-26.6%	-83.6%	614.1%	32.4%	28.5%
Income tax expense	-23.3%	1739.6%	-81.2%	324.5%	68.2%	32.4%	28.5%
Profit for the year	-17.8%	1384.4%	-21.7%	-92.4%	1266.6%	32.4%	28.5%
EPS	-17.8%	1384.4%	-21.7%	-92.4%	1266.6%	32.4%	28.5%
EBITDA	36.9%	381.2%	-12.3%	-15.6%	87.7%	16.4%	16.3%

Source: ACPL Research, Company Financials

Key Ratios

Profitability Ratios		FY20A	FY21A	FY22A	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
GP Margin	%	6.79	7.82	9.55	14.75	11.00	11.25	11.50
NP Margin	%	0.70	4.69	2.96	0.20	2.38	2.81	3.22
OP Margin	%	2.45	5.95	4.03	2.46	4.64	4.89	5.14
ROE	%	3.58	23.26	11.52	1.03	12.38	14.08	14.28
ROCE	%	12.05	28.80	15.41	62.51	148.90	158.59	137.25
ROA	%	1.11	7.32	4.16	0.47	5.90	7.19	8.35
Liquidity Ratios		FY20A	FY21A	FY22A	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Current	х	1.17	1.17	1.32	0.82	0.82	0.83	0.86
Quick	х	0.62	0.44	0.61	0.34	0.33	0.34	0.37
Activity Ratios		FY20A	FY21A	FY22A	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Inventory Turnover	х	6.75	7.75	6.77	6.88	7.17	6.99	6.99
Inventory Days		54.07	47.11	53.95	53.02	50.91	52.22	52.22
Receivables Days		0.12	0.47	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40
Payables Days		115.86	81.29	101.57	101.57	101.57	101.57	101.57
Operating Cycle		-61.67	-33.70	-47.22	-48.15	-50.27	-48.95	-48.95
Investment Ratios		FY20A	FY21A	FY22A	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
DPS		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Div. Yield	%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dividend Cover	Х	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Retention	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Payout	%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
No. of Shares	('m)	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19
EPS		0.18	2.61	2.04	0.16	2.12	2.81	3.61
BVPS		4.90	11.20	17.72	15.03	17.15	19.96	25.27
P/E	Х	74.90	5.05	6.44	84.66	6.19	4.68	3.64
Sales per share		25.02	55.61	68.83	79.00	89.27	99.98	111.96
P/BV	Х	2.68	1.17	0.74	0.88	0.77	0.66	0.52
P/S	х	0.53	0.24	0.19	0.17	0.15	0.13	0.12
Solvency Ratios		FY20A	FY21A	FY22A	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Total Debt to Equity	х	0.71	1.14	0.77	0.72	0.64	0.56	0.45
L.T Debt to Equity	х	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest Cover	х	1.34	4.49	1.99	0.81	1.68	1.95	2.25

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PE	Price to Earnings Ratio	PB	Price to Book Ratio	BVPS	Book Value Per Share
EPS	Earnings Per Share	DPS	Dividend Per Share	ROE	Return of Equity
ROA	Return on Assets	SOTP	Sum of the Parts	LDCP	Last Day Closing Price

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