

# **IPCA Laboratories**

**BSE SENSEX S&P CNX** 17,743 60,056



Bloomberg	IPCA IN
Equity Shares (m)	254
M.Cap.(INRb)/(USDb)	209.4 / 2.6
52-Week Range (INR)	1035 / 768
1, 6, 12 Rel. Per (%)	1/-8/-23
12M Avg Val (INR M)	286

## **Conference Call Details**

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## Financials & Valuations (INR b)

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Y/E March	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Sales	61.7	68.4	77.3
EBITDA	9.9	12.3	14.9
Adjusted PAT	5.7	7.6	9.6
EBIT Margin (%)	11.8	14.2	15.9
Cons. Adj EPS (INR)	22.3	29.9	37.7
EPS Gr. (%)	-38.7	34.3	26.0
BV/Sh. (INR)	233.2	258.7	290.7
Ratios			
Net D-E	0.0	0.0	-0.1
RoE (%)	9.9	12.2	13.7
RoCE (%)	9.1	11.3	12.8
Payout (%)	37.2	30.0	28.9
Valuation			
P/E (x)	37.1	27.6	21.9
EV/EBITDA (x)	21.4	17.2	14.2
Div. Yield (%)	0.9	1.1	1.3
FCF Yield (%)	0.6	3.0	3.2
EV/Sales (x)	3.4	3.1	2.7

## Shareholding pattern (%)

As On	Mar-23	Dec-22	Mar-22
Promoter	46.3	46.3	46.3
DII	34.1	33.7	32.9
FII	10.6	10.8	11.0
Others	9.1	9.2	9.8

FII Includes depository receipts

TP: INR940 (+14%) **BUY CMP: INR826** 

## Reviving US hopes through Unichem acquisition

- Ipca Lab (IPCA) is set to re-enter the US generics market with the proposed acquisition of Unichem Lab (UNICHEM).
- UNICHEM's formulation capacity (~13.2b tablets per annum) supported by USFDAcompliant facilities should help IPCA funnel its product pipeline as well.
- However, we believe the acquisition is expensive, given 1) increased competition in the US generics oral solids space, 2) rising regulatory risks, 3) strong efforts needed to turnaround Unichem, and 4) the valuation of ~2.3x EV/sales on trailing 12M basis.
- We await better clarity on various measures to be implemented by IPCA to not only aid US sales but also improve margins of Unichem business over the stipulated time.

## Unichem acquisition details

- IPCA has entered into a definitive share purchase agreement to acquire 23.5m shares (a 33.3% stake) of Unichem from one of the promoters at INR440 per share, aggregating to INR10.3b. The transaction will be funded through IPCA's retained earnings.
- Subsequently, IPCA will also make an open offer to acquire up to 26% stake at INR440 per share, aggregating to INR8b. The transaction is subject to approval from the Competition Commission of India (CCI).

## IPCA to add export-oriented manufacturing units through acquisition

- Unichem manufactures and markets a large basket of pharmaceutical formulations as branded generics and generics in several countries, including USA/Europe. It has formulation manufacturing facilities in Goa, Ghaziabad, and Baddi. The API facilities are located at Roha, Pithampur and Kolhapur. Overall, the formulation capacity is about 13.3b tablets per annum.
- Unichem delivered a 4.8% sales CAGR to INR13b over FY20-22. From an operational loss of INR508m in FY20, Unichem delivered EBITDA of INR717m (5.6% EBITDA margin) in FY22. From a loss of INR560m in FY22, it delivered PAT of INR357m (EPS of INR5) in FY22. In 9MFY23, it delivered INR9.8b in sales, with EBITDA loss of INR603m and net loss of INR1.6b.
- Geography-wise, about 58% of sales in FY22 came from the US generics market. About 37 ANDAs have been approved till date for UNICHEM.

## Valuation and view

- We expect a 30% earnings CAGR for IPCA over FY23-25, led by a steady outperformance in the DF segment, a ramp-up in API sales and lower operational costs. We value IPCA at 24x 12M forward earnings to arrive at a TP of INR940. We have a BUY rating on the stock.
- We will have better clarity about the integration of Unichem with IPCA in the concall. We believe Unichem's near-term performance would be earnings/ return ratio dilutive, given Unichem's operational losses (INR603m for 9MFY23) and a sharp reduction in IPCA's other income (INR1.2b expected in FY23) in FY24 due to the acquisition funding.

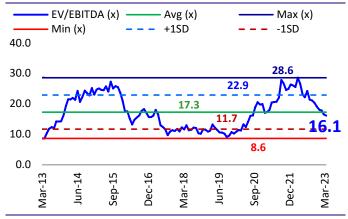
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## Exhibit 1: P/E ratio chart



Exhibit 2: EV/EBITDA ratio chart



Source: MOFSL, Company, Bloomberg

Exhibit 3: Unichem Laboratories P&L snapshot

Y/E March (INR m)	FY20	FY21	FY22	9MFY23
Total Revenue	11,037	12351	12,698	9,409
YoY Growth %		11.9	2.8	4.6
Gross Profit	7,165.3	8557.2	8,539.6	5,781
Gross Margin %	64.9	69.3	67.3	61.4
EBITDA	-508	910	800	-603
YoY Growth %		-279.1	-12.1	NA
Margin %	-4.6	7.4	6.3	-6.4
Depreciation	817	844	912	838
Finance Cost	79	51	61	118
Other income	913	502	475	334
Profit/(loss) before tax	-482	515	220	-1,292
YoY Growth %		-206.8	-57.3	NA
Margin %	-4.4	4.2	1.7	-13.7
Profit/(loss) after tax	-602	343	331	-1,580
YoY Growth %		157.0	-3.5	NA
Margin %	-5.5	2.8	2.6	-16.8
R&D	1,564	1,127	1,299	800
R&D as % of revenue	14.2	9.1	10.2	8.5

Source: Company, MOFSL

Exhibit 4: Unichem Laboratories Balance sheet snapshot - (INR m)

Consolidated - Balance Sheet	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	1HFY23
Equity Share Capital	141	141	141	141	141
Total Reserves	26,058	25,173	25,428	26,043	25,304
Net Worth	26,199	25,314	25,568	26,184	25,445
Total Loans	1,997	2,065	1,191	3,492	3,448
Capital Employed	28,104	27,349	26,757	29,632	28,854
Gross Block	9,784	11,007	11,798	13,674	16,684
Less: Accum. Deprn.	1,700	2,326	2,974	3,789	4,319
Net Fixed Assets	8,084	8,681	8,824	9,885	12,365
Capital WIP	924	3,305	5,675	4,938	2,105
Total Investments	9,263	5,499	3,920	2,639	1,719
Curr. Assets, Loans&Adv.	13,043	13,918	12,683	15,667	15,364
Inventory	3,387	3,965	5,383	6,002	5,909
Account Receivables	4,361	3,901	2,503	4,954	4,331
Cash and Bank Balance	2,010	2,338	825	1,141	3,386
Loans and Advances	3,286	3,713	3,972	3,570	1,738
Curr. Liability & Prov.	3,226	4,069	4,361	3,512	2,699
Account Payables	2,384	2,991	3,080	2,153	1,592
Other Current Liabilities	561	738	796	778	938
Provisions	280	340	485	582	169
Net Current Assets	9,818	9,849	8,322	12,155	12,665
Appl. of Funds	28,104	27,349	26,757	29,632	28,854

Source: Company, MOFSL

**Exhibit 5: Unichem drives major revenue from exports** 

Geographical split (INR m)	FY20	FY21	FY22
Exports	10,204	11,529	12,067
Growth YoY (%)		13.0	4.7
US	6,377	7,076	7,343
Growth YoY (%)		11.0	3.8
Ex-US	3,827	4,452	4,724
Growth YoY (%)		16.3	6.1
India	292	371	413
Growth YoY (%)		26.9	11.3

Source: Company, MOFSL

Exhibit 6: Formulations contributed 88% of FY22 revenue							
Segment Split (INR m) FY20 FY21 FY							
Formulations	9,358	10,526	10,969				
Growth YoY (%)		12.5	4.2				
API	1,138	1,373	1,511				
Growth YoY (%)		20.7	10.1				

Source: Company, MOFSL

**Exhibit 7: Unichem facilities** 

Facility.	Capacity Mn units/Annum						
Facility	Tablets	Tablets Capsule					
Goa	7,000	200					
Baddi	3,708	335	6.7				
Ghaziabad	2,750	250					

Source: Company, MOFSL

Exhibit 8: ANDA approvals over past 24M

ANDA Approved	Approval timeline	No of Competitor
Baclofen	Mar'23	5+
Ranolazine	Mar'23	5+
Phenytoin Sodium	Oct'22	5
Carbamazepine	Aug'22	5+
Guanfacine Hydrochloride	Mar'21	5+
Zonisamide	Jan'21	5+
Atenolol; Chlorthalidone	Nov'20	5+
Tolterodine Tartrate	Aug'20	5+
Cyclobenzaprine Hydrochloride	Jul'20	5+
Amiodarone Hydrochloride	Jul'20	5+

Source: Company, MOFSL

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**Exhibit 9: USFDA inspection history of Unichem** 

Sr No	Plant	Inspection End Date	Classification
1	Roha	Feb'20	NAI
2	Goa	Jan'20	VAI
3	Kolhapur	Sept'19	NAI
4	Roha	Sept'19	NAI
5	Pithampur	Sept'19	NAI
6	Ghaziabad	Aug'19	VAI
7	Goa	Jul'19	VAI
8	Ghaziabad	Mar'19	NAI

Source: Company, MOFSL

Exhibit 10: Import alert restricted US business from Ipca's sites

Sr No	Site	Date	Inspection Conclusion
1	Ratlam	Jan'15	Import Alert
2	Silvassa	Mar'15	Import Alert
3	Pithampur	Mar'15	Import Alert

Source: Company, MOFSL

# **Financials and valuations**

Income Statement										
Y/E March	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Net Revenues	28,850	32,106	32,836	37,732	46,487	54,200	58,298	61,715	68,376	77,278
Change (%)	-8.2	11.3	2.3	14.9	23.2	16.6	7.6	5.9	10.8	13.0
EBITDA	3,417	4,448	4,547	7,170	9,580	15,444	13,509	9,874	12,308	14,915
Margin (%)	11.8	13.9	13.8	19.0	20.6	28.5	23.2	16.0	18.0	19.3
Depreciation	1,722	1,730	1,777	1,824	2,105	2,092	2,324	2,564	2,605	2,657
EBIT	1,695	2,718	2,770	5,346	7,475	13,352	11,184	7,310	9,702	12,258
Int. and Finance Charges	316	241	240	189	165	90	77	384	224	178
Other Income - Rec.	169	226	418	483	578	457	666	1,200	1,300	1,350
PBT before EO Expense	1,548	2,703	2,948	5,640	7,888	13,719	11,773	8,126	10,779	13,430
EO Expense/(Income)	395	0	0	157	445	-171	416	419	0	0
PBT after EO Expense	1,153	2,703	2,948	5,483	7,442	13,890	11,357	7,708	10,779	13,430
Current Tax	228	533	614	1,218	1,406	2,487	2,070	2,357	2,856	3,492
Deferred Tax	-42	142	-102	-176	-53	-85	178	163	216	269
Tax	186	675	511	1,042	1,353	2,401	2,248	2,519	3,072	3,760
Tax Rate (%)	12.0	25.0	17.3	18.5	17.2	17.5	19.1	31.0	28.5	28.0
Reported PAT	967	2,028	2,436	4,441	6,090	11,488	9,110	5,189	7,706	9,668
Less: Minority Interest	35	0	42	18	78	91	269	190	110	100
Net Profit	933	2,028	2,394	4,423	6,012	11,398	8,841	4,999	7,596	9,568
Adj PAT	1,328	2,028	2,394	4,580	6,485	11,255	9,218	5,655	7,597	9,569
Adj PAT growth (%)	-46.9	52.8	18.1	91.3	41.6	73.6	-18.1	-38.7	34.3	26.0

Balance Sheet										(INR m)
Y/E March	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Equity Share Capital	252	252	252	252	252	254	254	254	254	254
Total Reserves	22,340	24,300	26,633	30,971	35,903	46,763	54,666	58,915	65,372	73,506
Net Worth	22,592	24,553	26,886	31,224	36,275	47,017	54,920	59,168	65,626	73,760
Deferred liabilities	1565	1705	1580	1457	1398	1316	1506	1668	1884	2152
Total Loans	6,691	5,290	4,731	3,505	4,328	1,988	8,027	7,631	7,275	6,954
Capital Employed	30,848	31,548	33,196	36,342	42,137	50,466	65,222	68,468	74,784	82,866
Gross Block	22,121	23,508	24,969	26,657	30,268	31,872	37,647	41,147	42,647	44,147
Less: Accum. Deprn.	1,628	3,350	5,127	6,951	9,056	11,148	13,472	16,036	18,642	21,299
Net Fixed Assets	20,493	20,158	19,842	19,706	21,212	20,724	24,175	25,111	24,005	22,848
Capital WIP	936	621	418	361	708	2,348	3,064	3,064	3,064	3,064
Investments	258	1,358	869	1,204	2,719	4,711	9,892	9,892	9,892	9,892
Curr. Assets	17,230	17,458	20,027	24,217	27,939	32,881	39,237	41,053	49,625	60,744
Inventory	8,374	8,822	8,806	10,725	13,231	15,948	18,580	19,771	21,543	24,541
Account Receivables	4,459	5,002	6,023	6,815	8,952	8,118	9,108	10,483	12,176	14,551
Cash and Bank Balance	1,755	359	1,506	2,823	1,809	3,651	6,407	5,219	9,723	14,486
Loans & Advances	2,641	3,276	3,693	3,854	3,947	5,164	5,143	5,580	6,182	7,167
Curr. Liability & Prov.	8,069	8,047	7,960	9,147	10,441	10,198	11,147	10,652	11,802	13,682
Account Payables	7,245	7,141	7,029	8,190	9,182	8,781	9,704	9,469	10,491	12,162
Provisions	824	906	931	957	1,259	1,417	1,443	1,184	1,311	1,520
Net Current Assets	9,160	9,410	12,068	15,070	17,498	22,682	28,091	30,401	37,823	47,062
Appl. of Funds	30,848	31,548	33,196	36,342	42,137	50,466	65,222	68,468	74,784	82,866

E: MOFSL Estimates

## **Financials and valuations**

Ratios										
Y/E March	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
EPS (INR)	5.2	8.0	9.4	18.1	25.6	44.4	36.3	22.3	29.9	37.7
Cash EPS	10.5	14.9	16.5	24.8	32.2	53.2	44.0	29.8	40.2	48.2
BV/Share	89.5	97.3	106.5	123.7	143.2	185.3	216.5	233.2	258.7	290.7
DPS	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	3.6	6.8	6.6	7.7	9.2	11.1
Payout (%)	0.0	6.2	5.2	2.8	14.8	14.9	18.3	37.2	30.0	28.9
Valuation (x)										
P/E	157.8	103.3	87.5	45.8	32.3	18.6	22.7	37.1	27.6	21.9
P/BV	9.2	8.5	7.8	6.7	5.8	4.5	3.8	3.5	3.2	2.8
EV/Sales	7.3	6.6	6.4	5.6	4.5	3.9	3.6	3.4	3.1	2.7
EV/EBITDA	61.8	47.5	46.4	29.5	22.0	13.7	15.6	21.4	17.2	14.2
Dividend Yield (%)	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.1	1.3
Return Ratios (%)										
RoE	5.9	8.6	9.3	15.8	19.2	27.1	18.1	9.9	12.2	13.7
RoCE	5.5	7.5	8.6	14.3	17.7	25.4	17.1	9.1	11.3	12.8
RoIC	5.3	7.1	7.7	14.0	18.0	28.7	21.1	10.5	13.5	16.4
<b>Working Capital Ratios</b>										
Fixed Asset Turnover (x)	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.9	2.3	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.8	3.3
Debtor (Days)	56	56	66	65	70	54	56	62	65	67
Inventory (Days)	106	100	98	104	104	107	116	117	115	116
Working Capital Turnover (Days)	94	103	117	118	123	128	136	149	150	154
Leverage Ratio (x)										
Interest Cover Ratio	5.4	11.3	11.5	28.3	45.3	147.7	145.4	19.1	43.4	68.9
Debt/Equity	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1
Cash Flow Statement										
Y/E March	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Oper. Profit/(Loss) before Tax	3,417	4,448	4,547	7,170	9,580	15,444	13,509	9,874	12,308	14,915
Interest/Dividends Recd.	169	226	418	483	578	457	666	1,200	1,300	1,350
Direct Taxes Paid	-364	-535	-636	-1,165	-1,412	-2,484	-2,058	-2,357	-2,856	-3,492
(Inc)/Dec in WC	2,622	-1,647	-1,510	-1,686	-3,442	-3,343	-2,652	-3,498	-2,918	-4,477
CF from Operations	5,844	2,491	2,819	4,803	5,304	10,075	9,464	5,220	7,834	8,296
EO Expense / (Income)	395	0	0	157	445	-171	416	419	0	0
CF from Oper. incl EO Exp.	7,087	2,819	3,411	5,010	5,643	10,246	9,048	4,801	7,834	8,296
(inc)/dec in FA	5,079	-1,072	-1,258	-1,632	-3,958	-3,244	-6,491	-3,500	-1,500	-1,500
Free Cash Flow	12,165	1,747	2,154	3,379	1,685	7,002	2,557	1,301	6,334	6,796
(Pur)/Sale of Investments	-96	-1,100	489	-336	-1,515	-1,992	-5,181	0	0	0
Others	-7,166	684	-586	317	376	0	0	0	0	0

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BUY	>=15%				
SELL	<-10%				
NEUTRAL	< - 10 % to 15%				
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