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Torrent Pharma

Visualizing a deal with Cipla

We assess the contours of recently speculated deal in the media about Torrent's acquisition of Cipla's promoter stake. While the deal is hypothetical at this juncture, we attempt to flag off the key positives/negatives and what it means for Torrent. Upfront, deal would require large capital outlay to buy out promoter stake followed by an open offer. In order to keep debt/EBIDTA of combined entity manageable to say around ~3-4x, Torrent may have to resort to large equity dilution which may be to extent of 40-50%. Scale of the deal would overshadow Sun acquisition of Ranbaxy (even as Ranbaxy was ~60% of Sun's sales) and would upend the domestic pharma pecking order with combined entity owning ~35 brands each >Rs1bn. Operationally, Cipla and Torrent have complementary presence with not much overlap; albeit it would also bring a larger US business into Torrent's fold, a not so keen geography for its management. Notwithstanding domestic synergies, sheer size of integration and need to rationalize would compound on top of our debt and ROCE dilution concerns. While we take this opportunity to roll over to FY25 and raise rating to ADD as we bump up estimates after Q1 FY24 results, clearly our stance is hinged on Torrent as a standalone entity; any deal with Cipla would bring lot of uncertainty around execution, debt and ROCE dilution.

Financially, funding a Rs600bn Cipla deal may be daunting for Torrent

At the outset, deal would be the largest in domestic pharma at total outlay of ~Rs600bn or US\$7.3bn (Rs334bn paid to promoters and additional Rs260bn for 26% open offer). Funding a deal of this magnitude may require a combination of debt and dilution; reckon Torrent may issue fresh equity to make debt burden more palatable – recall Sun had smartly funded Ranbaxy purchase through share swap though that may not be possible here as Cipla promoters may want an exit and not Torrent stock. In order to ensure debt/EBIDTA at ~3-4x of combined entity, our calculation suggests fresh equity issuance leading up to ~50% dilution.

Funding aside, domestic fit is good with not much overlap

Cipla has 38% respiratory, 15% anti-infective share and top 4 therapies account for ~87% of domestic business of which gastro is the only common factor (though Torrent's GI business contributes nearly 3x in terms of share of revenues compared to Cipla). Albeit we highlight that Torrent GI portfolio is more on enzyme and Rabeprazole while Cipla is present in Esomeprazole + Magnesium Trihydrate which is again complimentary in nature.

Torrent domestic business scores on mix but Cipla has better PCPM

Torrent has a higher chronic share (75%) though Cipla has well-oiled large brands in categories which are themselves vast and growing. At the same time, reckon Torrent has a lot of brands in the Rs750mn-Rs1bn range which are fast growing and represent a launching pad for growth over next few years. Cipla on the other hand, has ~10% higher PCPM despite a lower chronic share, indicating the entrenched nature of branded business. Needless to say, Torrent has a better margin profile as branded revenue share (India + Brazil) is higher at 62% vs 43% for Cipla

Other issues can cloud but for now roll over to FY25 and raise to ADD; Cipla deal would be clearly negative from a debt/ROCE perspective which is not factored

Other vexing issues like direction of R&D spend given that Torrent has traditionally focused on branded business, cost rationalization and management churn would be large stumbling blocks that may need deft handling. While we have taken this opportunity to roll over 35x target multiple (unchanged) to FY25 and raised rating to ADD (from REDUCE), clearly Cipla deal would be upfront negative for ROCE/ROE coupled with debt burden which would have a bearing on our view if at all it becomes a reality.



Reco	:	ADD
СМР	:	Rs 1,828
Target Price	:	Rs 2,100
Potential Return	:	+14%

Stock data (as on September 04, 2023)

Nifty	19,529
52 Week h/I (Rs)	2095 / 1446
Market cap (Rs/USD mn)	604396 / 7307
Outstanding Shares (mn)	338
6m Avg t/o (Rs mn):	562
Div yield (%):	1.1
Bloomberg code:	TRP IN
NSE code:	TORNTPHARM

Stock performance



Shareholding pattern (As of Jun'23 end)

Promoter	71.3%
FII+DII	21.2%
Others	7.6%

Δ in stance

(1-Yr)	New	Old
Rating	ADD	REDUCE
Target Price	2.100	1.600

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n earnings estimates

	FY24e	FY25e
EPS (New)	52.3	59.7
EPS (Old)	45.8	56.2
% change	-	-

Financial Summary

(Rs mn)	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
Net Revenue	96,200	106,131	116,529
YoY Growth	13.1	10.3	9.8
EBIDTA	28,420	33,999	37,781
YoY Growth	16.9	19.6	11.1
PAT	12,454	17,705	20,198
YoY Growth	60.3	42.2	14.1
ROE	20.5	26.4	25.7
EPS	36.8	52.3	59.7
P/E	49.7	34.9	30.6
P/B	366.2	426.9	502.2
EV/EBITDA	22.4	18.4	16.2

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Exhibit 1: Total capital outlay for Torrent

Parameter	Number
Cipla CMP Rs	1,239
Cipla shares o/s mn	807
Cipla Mcap Rs bn	1,000
Promoter stake %	33
Value of promoters' stake Rs bn	335
Open offer shares to be bought mn(assuming entire 26% is tendered)	210
Open offer value Rs bn	260
Total capital outlay for Torrent Rs bn	595

Source: Company, YES Sec

Exhibit 2: Potential deal mechanics – working on debt and dilution

Parameter	Number
Torrent shares o/s mn	338
Total funding required, Rs bn	595
Interest cost @10%, Rs bn	59
Torrent + Cipla EBIDTA, Rs bn	79
Debt/EBIDTA post Torrent promoter stake sale (x)	7.6
Presume manageable debt/EBIDTA (x)	4.0
Max debt to be taken, Rs bn	315
Balance from equity, Rs bn	280
Additional Torrent shares to be issued, mn	153
Post deal Torrent shares o/s, mn	491
% dilution	45

Source: Company, YES Sec

Exhibit 3: Torrent v Cipla – financials & operating snapshot

FY23 key financials/metrics (Rs mn)	Torrent	Cipla
NW	61,982	234,080
LT debt + provisions	29,650	12,750
Def tax lia	4,020	
Capital employed	95,652	246,830
Fixed assets	88,870	102,540
Net WC	(1,177)	126,780
Investments + def tax assets	7,960	17,510
Total assets	95,652	246,830
Revenues Rs mn	96,200	227,530
EBIDTA Rs mn	28,420	50,270
Margin %	29.5	22.1
PAT Rs mn	12,450	29,840
R&D %	5.4	6.0
Revenue break up Rs mn	96,200	227,530
Branded markets	59,190	98,740



of which India	49,840	98,740
US	11,620	60,106
Ohers	25,390	68,684
Branded share %	61.5	43.4
MR strength, nos	5,500	10,000
PCPM (Rs lakhs/MR/month)	7.6	8.2
Chronic share %	75	60
No of brands > Rs1bn	13	21
Key therapies	Cardiac (27%)	Respiratory (39%)
	Gastro (17%)	Anti-Infectives (15%)
	CNS (15%)	Cardiac (12%)
	Vitamins (12%)	Gastro (6%)
	Anti-diabetic (9%)	Urology (5%)

Source: Company, YES Sec

Exhibit 4: Indicative FCF of combined entity

Summary Cash flow	Rs bn
Operating CF @75% of EBIDTA	59.0
Less combined capex	10.0
FCF of combined entity	49.0

Source: Company, YES Sec



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Exhibit 5: Balance sheet

V/a 21 May/Da wa\	FY21	FY22	FY23	EV24E	FY25E
Y/e 31 Mar (Rs m)				FY24E	
Equity capital	846	846	1,692	1,692	1,692
Reserves	57,530	58,680	60,290	70,549	83,302
Net worth	58,376	59,526	61,982	72,241	84,994
Debt	33,460	25,380	29,650	14,650	14,650
Def.tax lia	0	1,940	4,020	4,020	4,020
Total liabilities	91,836	86,846	95,652	90,911	103,664
Goodwill	3,410	2,590	3,380	3,380	3,380
Fixed assets	76,124	67,922	85,490	80,556	74,878
Investments	1,760	2,590	2,520	2,520	2,520
Net working capital	6,332	8,804	(1,177)	(985)	17,445
Inventories	26,810	24,620	22,300	24,602	27,012
Sundry debtors	15,230	16,330	19,440	21,447	23,548
Cash	7,432	5,874	7,273	1,446	17,353
Other current assets	5,770	6,130	4,280	7,429	8,157
Sundry creditors	(7,040)	(19,100)	(28,190)	(28,190)	(28,190)
ST borrowings	(20,670)	(16,740)	(16,790)	(18,523)	(20,338)
Other current liabilities	(21,200)	(8,310)	(9,490)	(9,196)	(10,097)
Def tax assets	4,210	4,940	5,440	5,440	5,440
Total assets	91,836	86,846	95,652	90,911	103,664

Exhibit 6: Income statement

Y/e 31 Mar (Rs m)	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
Revenue	80,050	85,080	96,200	106,131	116,529
Operating profit	24,850	24,310	28,420	33,999	37,781
Depreciation	(6,580)	(6,620)	(7,066)	(7,933)	(8,678)
Interest expense	(3,580)	(2,550)	(3,330)	(1,224)	(699)
Other income	570	1,970	450	450	450
Profit before tax	15,260	17,110	18,474	25,292	28,855
Taxes	(2,740)	(4,490)	(6,020)	(7,588)	(8,656)
Adj Profit	12,520	12,620	12,454	17,705	20,198
Exceptional	0	(4,850)	0	0	0
Net profit	12,520	7,770	12,454	17,705	20,198



Exhibit 7: Cash flow statement

Y/e 31 Mar (Rs m)	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
Profit before tax	15,260	17,110	18,474	25,292	28,855
Depreciation	6,580	6,620	7,066	7,933	8,678
Def.taxes (net)	120	1,210	1,580	-	-
Tax paid	(2,740)	(4,490)	(6,020)	(7,588)	(8,656)
Working capital Δ	(10,290)	(4,030)	11,380	(6,018)	(2,524)
Other operating items	-	(4,850)	-	-	-
Operating cashflow	8,930	11,570	32,480	19,619	26,353
Capital expenditure	(3,664)	2,402	(25,424)	(3,000)	(3,000)
Free cash flow	5,266	13,972	7,056	16,619	23,353
Equity raised	3,543	1,504	(2,552)	-	-
Investments	1,750	(830)	70	-	-
Debt financing/disposal	(3,860)	(8,080)	4,270	(15,000)	-
Dividends	(5,923)	(8,124)	(7,446)	(7,446)	(7,446)
Net ∆ in cash	776	(1,558)	1,398	(5,826)	15,907

Exhibit 8: Du Pont Analysis

Y/e 31 Mar (Rs m)	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
Tax burden (x)	0.82	0.74	0.67	0.70	0.70
Interest burden (x)	0.81	0.87	0.85	0.95	0.98
EBIT margin (x)	0.24	0.23	0.23	0.25	0.25
Asset turnover (x)	0.60	0.66	0.73	0.76	0.80
Financial leverage (x)	2.49	2.18	2.18	2.08	1.85
RoE (%)	23.5	21.4	20.5	26.4	25.7

Exhibit 9: Ratio analysis

Y/e 31 Mar	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
Growth matrix (%)					
Revenue growth	0.8	6.3	13.1	10.3	9.8
Op profit growth	14.5	(2.2)	16.9	19.6	11.1
EBIT growth	15.0	4.4	10.9	21.6	11.5
Net profit growth	22.1	(37.9)	60.3	42.2	14.1
Profitability ratios (%)					
OPM	31.0	28.6	29.5	32.0	32.4
EBIT margin	23.5	23.1	22.7	25.0	25.4
Net profit margin	15.6	14.8	12.9	16.7	17.3
RoCE	21.2	22.0	23.9	28.4	30.4
RoNW	23.5	21.4	20.5	26.4	25.7
RoA	9.4	9.8	9.4	12.7	13.9
Per share ratios					
EPS	74.0	74.6	36.8	52.3	59.7
Dividend per share	35.0	48.0	22.0	22.0	22.0



Y/e 31 Mar	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
Cash EPS	112.9	113.7	57.7	75.8	85.3
Book value per share	344.9	351.7	183.1	213.5	251.1
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Valuation ratios (x)					
P/E	49.4	79.6	49.7	34.9	30.6
P/BV	10.6	10.4	10.0	8.6	7.3
M Cap/Sales	7.7	7.3	6.4	5.8	5.3
EV/EBIDTA	25.9	26.1	22.4	18.4	16.2
Payout (%)					
Tax payout	18.0	26.2	32.6	30.0	30.0
Dividend payout	47.3	104.5	59.8	42.1	36.9
Liquidity ratios					
Debtor days	69	70	74	74	74
Inventory days	122	106	85	85	85
Creditor days	94	72	64	64	64
Leverage ratios					
Interest coverage	5.3	7.7	6.5	21.7	42.3
Net debt / equity	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.2	(0.0)
Net debt / op. profit	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.4	(0.1)



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