

Clean Science and Technology (CLEAN IN)

Rating: HOLD | CMP: Rs1,329 | TP: Rs1,354

May 22, 2025

Q4FY25 Result Update

☑ Change in Estimates | ☑ Target | ■ Reco

Change in Estimates

	Cur	rent	Previous		
	FY26E	FY27E	FY26E	FY27E	
Rating	НС	DLD	Н	DLD	
Target Price	1,3	54	1,224		
Sales (Rs. m)	11,726	13,164	11,411	12,671	
% Chng.	2.8	3.9			
EBITDA (Rs. m)	4,749	5,397	4,735	5,385	
% Chng.	0.3	0.2			
EPS (Rs.)	31.6	35.6	31.1	35.0	
% Chng.	1.5	1.9			

Key Financials - Consolidated

Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Sales (Rs. m)	7,915	9,666	11,726	13,164
EBITDA (Rs. m)	3,321	3,876	4,749	5,397
Margin (%)	42.0	40.1	40.5	41.0
PAT (Rs. m)	2,440	2,644	3,359	3,787
EPS (Rs.)	23.0	24.9	31.6	35.6
Gr. (%)	(17.3)	8.3	27.1	12.7
DPS (Rs.)	5.0	4.0	5.1	5.7
Yield (%)	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4
RoE (%)	22.1	20.2	21.6	20.4
RoCE (%)	25.9	24.3	25.1	23.7
EV/Sales (x)	17.8	14.6	12.0	10.6
EV/EBITDA (x)	42.5	36.4	29.7	25.9
PE (x)	57.9	53.4	42.0	37.3
P/BV (x)	11.7	10.0	8.3	7.0

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52-W High / Low	Rs.1,690 / Rs.1,062
Sensex / Nifty	80,952 / 24,610
Market Cap	Rs.141bn/ \$ 1,642m
Shares Outstanding	106m
3M Avg. Daily Value	Rs.137.74m

Shareholding Pattern (%)

Promoter's	74.97
Foreign	6.07
Domestic Institution	5.76
Public & Others	13.20
Promoter Pledge (Rs bn)	-

Stock Performance (%)

	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	10.3	2.3	(4.7)
Relative	8.5	-	(12.6)

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Ongoing capex to drive next leg of growth

Quick Pointers:

- Overall volume growth in FY25 was 25%, while realization declined by 8%
- HALS volumes reached 1900tn in FY25 vs 600tn in FY24, sales volume guidance of 4500tn in FY26

Clean Science and Technology (CLEAN) reported revenue of Rs2.6bn, reflecting a 15.9% YoY increase and a 9.5% QoQ growth. The top-line expansion was primarily driven by higher sales volumes across product segments. Sales of HALS rose significantly to 1,900tn in FY25 from 600tn in FY24, with a blended realization of Rs425/kg. Management has guided for HALS volumes to reach 4,500tn in FY26, with realizations expected to improve to Rs495-500/kg, supported by both existing and newly launched products. DHDT, a pharma intermediate, which was commercialized in the previous quarter, did not contribute to revenue due to some plant level issues. These are expected to be resolved within the next four weeks. On the capex front, the Rs1.5bn investment in the Performance Chemical 1 facility remains on track, with commercialization expected in Q3FY26. Additionally, construction has commenced on a second performance chemical plant focused on water treatment, which is scheduled to be operational by Q4FY26. Looking ahead, these new capex initiatives are expected to be key growth drivers. However, the margin profile may come under some pressure, as certain new products are expected to have lower profitability compared to the company's legacy portfolio. At its current valuation of 37x FY27 EPS, we maintain a 'Hold' rating on Clean Science, with a target price of Rs1,361 valuing it at 38x FY27 EPS.

- Volume-led YoY growth in revenue: Consolidated revenue stood at Rs2.6bn, 15.9% YoY/ 9.5% QoQ (PLe: Rs2.4bn, Consensus: Rs2.5bn). FY25 revenue was 22.1% higher than FY24. Revenue growth was driven by volume increase across segments. HALS sales volume and product mixing also improved during the quarter, with total sales volume at 1900tn in FY25. Gross margin improved 20bps sequentially due to modest decrease in key raw material prices.
- EBITDA decreased by 180bps YoY and 120bps sequentially: EBITDA stood at Rs1,048mn, 10.9% YoY/ 6.4% QoQ (PLe: Rs941mn, Consensus: Rs1039mn), EBITDA margin came at 39.7%, decreased by 120bps QoQ (vs 41.5% in Q4FY24 and 40.9% in Q3FY25) due to an increase in other operating expenses. Reported PAT was at Rs741mn, 5.4% YoY/12.9% QoQ. PAT margins were at 28% vs 31% in Q4FY24 and 27% in Q4FY25. The tax rate slightly increased to 25% vs 23.6% Q4FY24.
- Concall takeaways: (1) Revenue contribution: Performance Chemicals: 69%, Pharma and Agro Intermediate: 19%, FMCG: 12%. (2) 18-20% growth expected in FY26 on a consolidated basis (Principal products growing at 5-6%). (3) At company level, EBITDAM margin is expected to be 40% in FY26. (4) Blended realization for HALS in FY25 was Rs425/kg, and raw material cost was 65%. (5) HALS volume was 1900tn in FY25. (6) HALS is largely domestic currently,

going ahead exports are expected to increase. (7) In FY26, the target sales of HALS are 4500th and topline of Rs2.1bn. (8) New products approved in key geographies, focus is on Middle east, Europe, USA and South Africa. (9) FY26 capex is expected to be Rs3bn. (10) Performance Chemical 1 and 2, each with a capacity of 10,000mtpa, are on track for commercialization in Q3FY26 and Q4FY26 respectively, with construction already started for the latter. (11) Company developed highest number of new products including DHDT (Pharma intermediate), BHT and two new performances chemicals which are expected to be commercialized in FY26. (12) As new products come online, the addressable market is expected to increase by \$1.5bn (Including of HALS and 2 new performance chemicals). (13) Barbituric acid production to start in August'25.

Exhibit 1: Q4FY25 Result Overview - Consolidated (Rs mn)

Y/e March	Q4FY25	Q4FY24	YoY gr.	Q4FY25E	% Var.	Q3FY25	QoQ gr.	FY25	FY24	YoY gr.
Net Sales	2,637	2,275	15.9%	2,418	9.1%	2,408	9.5%	9,666	7,915	22.1%
Gross Profit	1,679	1,495	12.3%	1,519	10.6%	1,529	9.8%	6,159	5,144	19.7%
Margin (%)	63.7%	65.7%		62.8%		63.5%		63.7%	65.0%	
EBITDA	1,048	945	10.9%	941	11.3%	985	6.4%	3,876	3,321	16.7%
Margin (%)	39.7%	41.5%		38.9%		40.9%		40.1%	42.0%	
Other Income	124	141		116		52		386	413	-6.5%
Depreciation	174	127	37.4%	190	-8.2%	183	-4.8%	691	459	50.4%
EBIT	997	959	4.0%	867	15.0%	854	16.8%	3,571	3,274	9.1%
Interest	1	6		1		1		4	9	
PBT before exceptional items	996	953	4.5%	866	15.0%	853	16.8%	3,567	3,265	9.3%
Total Tax	252	225	12.1%	161	56.2%	256	-1.5%	923	825	11.9%
ETR (%)	25%	23.6%		18.6%		30.0%		25.9%	25.3%	
Adj. PAT	741	703	5.4%	658	12.6%	656	12.9%	2,644	2,440	8.4%
PAT	741	703	5.4%	658	12.6%	656	12.9%	2,644	2,440	8.4%

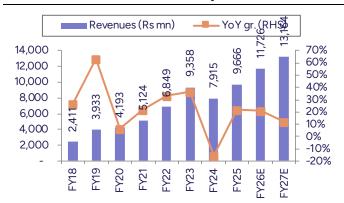
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Exhibit 2: Segmental Revenue (Rs mn)

Y/e March	Q4FY25	Q4FY24	YoY gr.	Q3FY25	QoQ gr.	FY25	FY24	YoY gr.
Performance Chemicals	1,819	1,524	19.4%	1,662	9.5%	6,670	5,303	25.8%
Pharma & Agro Intermediates	571	432	32.2%	433	31.8%	1,837	1,504	22.1%
FMCG Chemicals	246	296	-16.8%	313	-21.4%	1,160	1,029	12.7%
Total	2,637	2,252	17.1%	2,408	9.5%	9,666	7,836	23.4%

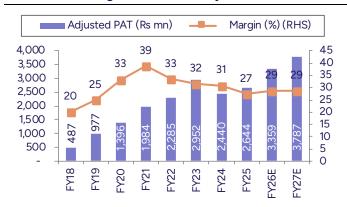
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Exhibit 3: Revenue to rise to Rs13bn by FY27



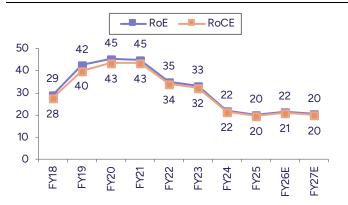
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Exhibit 5: PAT margins to reach 29% by FY27E



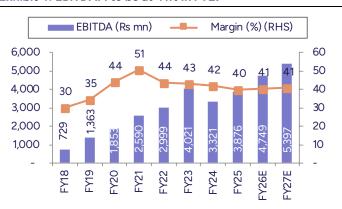
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Exhibit 7: Return ratios to be at ~20%



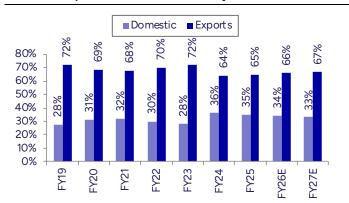
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Exhibit 4: EBITDAM to be at 41% in FY27



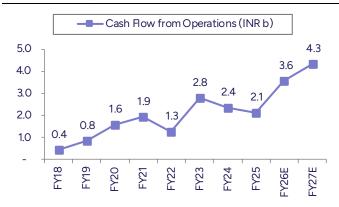
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Exhibit 6: Exports share to reach 67% by FY27E



Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 8: Strong cash flow



Source: Company, PL



Financials

Income Statemer	nt ((Rs m)
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Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Net Revenues	7,915	9,666	11,726	13,164
YoY gr. (%)	(15.4)	22.1	21.3	12.3
Cost of Goods Sold	2,771	3,507	4,221	4,739
Gross Profit	5,144	6,159	7,505	8,425
Margin (%)	65.0	63.7	64.0	64.0
Employee Cost	487	564	704	790
Other Expenses	1,337	1,719	2,052	2,238
EBITDA	3,321	3,876	4,749	5,397
YoY gr. (%)	(17.4)	16.7	22.5	13.6
Margin (%)	42.0	40.1	40.5	41.0
Depreciation and Amortization	459	691	839	988
EBIT	2,861	3,186	3,911	4,410
Margin (%)	36.2	33.0	33.3	33.5
Net Interest	9	4	5	5
Other Income	413	386	515	578
Profit Before Tax	3,265	3,567	4,420	4,983
Margin (%)	41.3	36.9	37.7	37.8
Total Tax	825	923	1,061	1,196
Effective tax rate (%)	25.3	25.9	24.0	24.0
Profit after tax	2,440	2,644	3,359	3,787
Minority interest	-	-	-	-
Share Profit from Associate	-	-	-	-
Adjusted PAT	2,440	2,644	3,359	3,787
YoY gr. (%)	(17.3)	8.4	27.1	12.7
Margin (%)	30.8	27.4	28.6	28.8
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	2,440	2,644	3,359	3,787
YoY gr. (%)	(17.3)	8.4	27.1	12.7
Margin (%)	30.8	27.4	28.6	28.8
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	2,440	2,644	3,359	3,787
Equity Shares O/s (m)	106	106	106	106
EPS (Rs)	23.0	24.9	31.6	35.6

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs m)

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Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Non-Current Assets				
Gross Block	8,182	9,657	11,308	13,383
Tangibles	8,182	9,657	11,308	13,383
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Acc: Dep / Amortization	1,821	2,512	3,350	4,338
Tangibles	1,821	2,512	3,350	4,338
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Net fixed assets	6,361	7,145	7,958	9,045
Tangibles	6,361	7,145	7,958	9,045
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Capital Work In Progress	573	302	1,651	2,075
Goodwill	-	-	-	-
Non-Current Investments	3,394	3,809	3,809	3,809
Net Deferred tax assets	(323)	(338)	(338)	(338)
Other Non-Current Assets	-	-	-	-
Current Assets				
Investments	-	-	-	-
Inventories	1,237	1,494	1,813	2,035
Trade receivables	1,637	2,034	2,467	2,770
Cash & Bank Balance	106	202	209	1,420
Other Current Assets	679	1,091	1,323	1,485
Total Assets	13,987	16,078	19,230	22,640
Equity				
Equity Share Capital	106	106	106	106
Other Equity	11,925	14,058	16,877	20,055
Total Networth	12,032	14,164	16,984	20,162
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term borrowings	-	-	-	-
Provisions	-	-	-	-
Other non current liabilities	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities				
ST Debt / Current of LT Debt	-	-	-	-
Trade payables	1,057	989	1,200	1,347
Other current liabilities	576	586	708	793
Total Equity & Liabilities	13,987	16,078	19,230	22,640

Source: Company Data, PL Research



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Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
PBT	3,265	3,567	4,420	4,983
Add. Depreciation	459	691	839	988
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Add. Interest	9	4	5	5
Less Financial Other Income	413	386	515	578
Add. Other	(335)	(284)	-	-
Op. profit before WC changes	3,398	3,978	5,264	5,975
Net Changes-WC	(279)	(885)	(652)	(455)
Direct tax	(755)	(955)	(1,061)	(1,196)
Net cash from Op. activities	2,364	2,138	3,551	4,325
Capital expenditures	(2,317)	(1,420)	(3,000)	(2,500)
Interest / Dividend Income	6	17	-	-
Others	458	(115)	-	-
Net Cash from Invt. activities	(1,852)	(1,517)	(3,000)	(2,500)
Issue of share cap. / premium	-	-	-	-
Debt changes	-	-	-	-
Dividend paid	(531)	(531)	(540)	(609)
Interest paid	(9)	(3)	(5)	(5)
Others	9	9	-	-
Net cash from Fin. activities	(532)	(525)	(545)	(614)
Net change in cash	(20)	96	7	1,211
Free Cash Flow	48	719	551	1,825

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Quarterly Financials (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	Q1FY25	Q2FY25	Q3FY25	Q4FY25
Net Revenue	2,240	2,381	2,408	2,637
YoY gr. (%)	19.1	31.5	23.7	15.9
Raw Material Expenses	775	895	879	958
Gross Profit	1,465	1,486	1,529	1,679
Margin (%)	65.4	62.4	63.5	63.7
EBITDA	947	897	985	1,048
YoY gr. (%)	24.3	19.8	13.7	10.9
Margin (%)	42.3	37.7	40.9	39.7
Depreciation / Depletion	158	175	183	174
EBIT	789	722	802	873
Margin (%)	35.2	30.3	33.3	33.
Net Interest	1	-	1	
Other Income	99	111	52	124
Profit before Tax	887	832	853	996
Margin (%)	39.6	34.9	35.4	37.8
Total Tax	228	245	196	255
Effective tax rate (%)	25.7	29.4	23.0	25.6
Profit after Tax	659	587	656	74
Minority interest	-	-	-	
Share Profit from Associates	-	-	-	
Adjusted PAT	659	587	656	74
YoY gr. (%)	11.8	12.6	4.8	5.4
Margin (%)	29.4	24.7	27.3	28.
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	659	587	656	741
YoY gr. (%)	11.8	12.6	4.8	5.4
Margin (%)	29.4	24.7	27.3	28.
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	
Total Comprehensive Income	659	587	656	741
Avg. Shares O/s (m)	106	106	106	106
EPS (Rs)	6.2	5.5	6.2	7.0

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Key Financial Metrics

Rey i manetal Metrics							
Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E			
Per Share(Rs)							
EPS	23.0	24.9	31.6	35.6			
CEPS	27.3	31.4	39.5	44.9			
BVPS	113.2	133.3	159.8	189.7			
FCF	0.5	6.8	5.2	17.2			
DPS	5.0	4.0	5.1	5.7			
Return Ratio(%)							
RoCE	25.9	24.3	25.1	23.7			
ROIC	19.5	18.2	19.3	18.9			
RoE	22.1	20.2	21.6	20.4			
Balance Sheet							
Net Debt : Equity (x)	0.0	0.0	0.0	(0.1)			
Net Working Capital (Days)	84	96	96	96			
Valuation(x)							
PER	57.9	53.4	42.0	37.3			
P/B	11.7	10.0	8.3	7.0			
P/CEPS	48.7	42.4	33.6	29.6			
EV/EBITDA	42.5	36.4	29.7	25.9			
EV/Sales	17.8	14.6	12.0	10.6			
Dividend Yield (%)	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4			

Source: Company Data, PL Research



Analyst Coverage Universe

Sr. No.	Company Name	Rating	TP (Rs)	Share Price (Rs)
1	Aarti Industries	Reduce	394	449
2	Bharat Petroleum Corporation	Reduce	267	311
3	Bharti Airtel	Accumulate	1,988	1,834
4	Clean Science and Technology	Hold	1,224	1,167
5	Deepak Nitrite	Reduce	1,645	1,835
6	Fine Organic Industries	BUY	4,930	4,176
7	GAIL (India)	Hold	191	184
8	Gujarat Fluorochemicals	Reduce	3,328	3,671
9	Gujarat Gas	Sell	372	464
10	Gujarat State Petronet	Hold	288	288
11	Hindustan Petroleum Corporation	Sell	321	410
12	Indian Oil Corporation	Reduce	122	143
13	Indraprastha Gas	Sell	150	185
14	Jubilant Ingrevia	Hold	735	700
15	Laxmi Organic Industries	Reduce	172	190
16	Mahanagar Gas	Hold	1,410	1,410
17	Mangalore Refinery & Petrochemicals	Sell	109	129
18	Navin Fluorine International	Accumulate	5,161	4,595
19	NOCIL	Reduce	172	184
20	Oil & Natural Gas Corporation	BUY	264	220
21	Oil India	BUY	659	343
22	Petronet LNG	Reduce	292	321
23	Reliance Industries	Accumulate	1,482	1,300
24	SRF	Hold	3,069	2,928
25	Vinati Organics	Accumulate	1,882	1,765

PL's Recommendation Nomenclature (Absolute Performance)

 Buy
 : > 15%

 Accumulate
 : 5% to 15%

 Hold
 : +5% to -5%

 Reduce
 : -5% to -15%

 Sell
 : < -15%</td>

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