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# Q4FY25 Result Update

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#### **Change in Estimates**

	Cur	rent	Pre	vious
	FY26E	FY27E	FY26E	FY27E
Rating	B	UY	В	UY
Target Price	5	45	7	/51
Sales (Rs. m)	35,506	41,732	42,302	56,529
% Chng.	(16.1)	(26.2)		
EBITDA (Rs. m)	3,515	4,549	4,653	7,179
% Chng.	(24.5)	(36.6)		
EPS (Rs.)	12.8	17.0	17.6	27.9
% Chng.	(27.3)	(39.0)		

### Key Financials - Consolidated

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Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Sales (Rs. m)	34,663	32,280	35,506	41,732
EBITDA (Rs. m)	3,718	3,149	3,515	4,549
Margin (%)	10.7	9.8	9.9	10.9
PAT (Rs. m)	2,834	1,983	2,347	3,131
EPS (Rs.)	15.4	10.8	12.8	17.C
Gr. (%)	18.2	(30.0)	18.4	33.4
DPS (Rs.)	6.0	4.3	5.1	8.2
Yield (%)	1.3	0.9	1.1	1.8
RoE (%)	24.1	14.9	16.1	19.0
RoCE (%)	25.6	15.1	15.7	19.5
EV/Sales (x)	2.3	2.5	2.3	1.9
EV/EBITDA (x)	21.6	25.8	23.0	17.7
PE (x)	29.9	42.8	36.1	27.1
P/BV (x)	6.7	6.1	5.5	4.8

Key Data	PRAJ.BO   PRJ IN
52-W High / Low	Rs.875 / Rs.452
Sensex / Nifty	80,242 / 24,334
Market Cap	Rs.85bn/ \$ 1,004m
Shares Outstanding	184m
3M Avg. Daily Value	Rs.510.02m

#### Shareholding Pattern (%)

Promoter's	32.81
Foreign	18.63
Domestic Institution	18.19
Public & Others	30.37
Promoter Pledge (Rs bn)	-

### Stock Performance (%)

	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	(16.9)	(37.6)	(15.8)
Relative	(19.8)	(38.3)	(21.8)

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# Praj Industries (PRJ IN)

# Rating: BUY | CMP: Rs461 | TP: Rs545

# Muted quarter; all eyes on GenX scale up

# **Quick Pointers:**

- For FY25, Praj booked scale-up related expenditure of Rs768.1mn for its GenX facility which impacted the profitability.
- Order book stood at Rs42.9bn (1.3x TTM revenue) 69%/14%/17% in BioEnergy/HiPurity/Engineering and 76%/24% in domestic/exports.

We revise our FY26/27E EPS estimates by -27.3%/-39.0% accounting for delayed order booking for GenX facility and slower execution of long duration engineering orders. The company reported a weak quarterly performance, with revenue declining by 15.6% YoY, while EBITDA margins contracted by 362bps YoY to 8.8%, primarily due to execution delays. Despite near-term headwinds, Praj's growth prospects in BioEnergy remain robust driven by prospective mandates for ethanol blending in petrol to 25%-30% and blending in diesel, along with co-product development opportunities with existing ethanol plants. Innovations in the field of bio-bitumen production as byproduct of CBG and biopolymers will open up new avenues for growth in domestic bioenergy business. Meanwhile, Praj is seeing rising demand for starch-based ethanol plants, particularly from Latin America, is driving bioenergy exports. Praj's GenX facility is now operational and expects to recognize revenue in H2FY26 driving growth for Engineering segment however order booking for GenX will remain key monitorable in H1FY26.

We remain positive on PRJ in the long run given 1) its leadership in domestic ethanol projects (50-55% market share), 2) healthy export outlook in Engineering driven by ETCA, 3) large pipeline in SAF in the US and domestic CBG, 4) focus on new technologies such as 2G ethanol and biopolymers, and 5) improving margins owing to growing share of exports & services. The stock is trading at a P/E of 36.1x/27.1x on FY26/27E earnings. We roll forward to Mar'27 and maintain 'Buy' rating valuing the stock at a PE of 32x Mar'27E (33x Sep'26E earlier) with a revised TP of Rs545 (Rs751 earlier).

Weaker execution in BioEnergy and Engineering led to revenue decline: Consolidated revenue fell 15.6% YoY to Rs8.6bn (PLe: Rs10.2bn). Gross margin expanded by 844bps YoY to 52.1% (PLe: 43.4%) likely due to better sales mix. EBITDA declined 40.3% YoY to Rs754mn (Ple: Rs913mn) while EBITDA margin contracted by 362bps YoY to 8.8% (Ple: 8.9%) as gross margin expansion was offset by higher employee costs (+16.5% YoY) and higher other expenses (+17.1% YoY). Adj. PBT declined 52.6% YoY to Rs583mn (PLe: Rs781mn). Adj. PAT declined 56.7% YoY to Rs398mn (PLe: Rs581mn) as weaker operating performance was further impacted by lower other income (-36.7% YoY) and higher interest expenses (+25.7% YoY).

**Strong order intake momentum in BioEnergy and HiPurity:** Q4 order inflow grew by 10.7% YoY to Rs10.3bn primarily driven by HiPurity (+100% YoY to Rs929mn) and BioEnergy (+22% YoY to Rs7.3bn) partially offset by lower ordering in Engineering segment (-22% YoY to Rs2.2bn). Domestic/export inflow mix stood at 61%/39% (vs 61%/39% in Q4FY24). Order book stood at Rs42.9bn (1.3x TTM revenue) – 69%/14%/17% in BioEnergy/HiPurity/Engineering and 76%/24% in domestic/exports.

Exhibit 1: Higher mix of exports led to gross margin expansion of 844bps despite lower revenue

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Y/e March (Rs mn)	Q4FY25	Q4FY24	YoY gr.	Q4FY25E	% Var.	Q3FY25	QoQ gr.	FY25	FY24	YoY gr.
Revenue	8,597	10,186	-15.6%	10,247	-16.1%	8,530	0.8%	32,280	34,663	<b>-6.9</b> %
Gross Profit	4,477	4,444	0.7%	4,452	0.6%	3,700	21.0%	15,734	15,042	4.6%
Margin (%)	52.1	43.6	844	43.4	862.6	43.4	870	48.7	43.4	535
Employee Cost	954	819	16.5%	892	6.9%	912	4.7%	3,489	3,187	9.5%
as % of sales	11.1	8.0	306	8.7	239.3	10.7	41	10.8	9.2	161
Other expenditure	2,769	2,364	17.1%	2,647	4.6%	2,203	25.7%	9,097	8,136	11.8%
as % of sales	32.2	23.2	900	25.8	637.7	25.8	639	28.2	23.5	471
EBITDA	754	1,262	-40.3%	913	-17.5%	586	28.7%	3,149	3,718	-15.3%
Margin (%)	8.8	12.4	(362)	8.9	(14.4)	6.9	190	9.8	10.7	(97)
Depreciation	224	153	46.4%	224	0.3%	233	-3.6%	864	441	96.2%
EBIT	529	1,109	-52.2%	690	-23.2%	353	50.0%	2,284	3,278	-30.3%
Margin (%)	6.2	10.9	(473)	6.7	(57.0)	4.1	202	7.1	9.5	(238)
Other Income	101	160	-36.7%	138	-26.7%	279	-63.8%	608	595	2.2%
Interest	48	38	25.7%	46	3.6%	44	9.6%	188	98	92.4%
PBT (ex. Extra-ordinaries)	583	1,230	-52.6%	781	-25.4%	588	-1.0%	2,704	3,774	-28.4%
Margin (%)	6.8	12.1	(530)	7.6	(84.7)	6.9	(12)	8.4	10.9	(251)
Extraordinary Items	-	-		-	-	-	-	282	-	-
PBT	583	1,230	-52.6%	781	-25.4%	588	-1.0%	2,985	3,774	-20.9%
Total Tax	184	311	-40.7%	200	-	177	4.0%	796	941	-15.4%
Effective Tax Rate (%)	31.6	25.3	-	25.6	-	30.1	-	26.7	24.9	-
Reported PAT	398	919	-56.7%	581	-31.5%	411	-3.1%	2,189	2,834	-22.7%
Adj. PAT	398	919	-56.7%	581	-31.5%	411	-3.1%	1,982	2,833	-30.0%
Margin (%)	4.6	9.0	(439)	5.7	(104.1)	4.8	(19)	6.1	8.2	(203)
Adj. EPS	2.2	5.0	-56.7%	3.2	-31.5%	2.2	-3.1%	10.8	15.4	-30.0%
Source: Company Pl										

Source: Company, PL

# Exhibit 2: Weaker execution in BioEnergy and Engineering led to revenue decline of 15.6% YoY to Rs8.6bn

Segment Revenue (Rs mn)	Q4FY25	Q4FY24	YoY gr.	Q4FY25E	% Var.	Q3FY25	QoQ gr.	FY25	FY24	YoY gr.
Bio Energy	5,920	6,945	-14.8%	5,905	0.2%	6,230	-5.0%	22,790	25,656	(11.2)
HiPurity	1,210	1,166	3.8%	1,341	-9.8%	740	63.5%	3,110	2,920	6.5
Engineering	1,460	2,071	-29.5%	3,004	-51.4%	1,560	-6.4%	6,370	6,085	4.7
Total	8,590	10,182	-15.6%	10,251	-16.2%	8,530	0.7%	32,270	34,661	(6.9)
Mix (%)										
Bio Energy	68.9	68.2	1.0	57.6	1,123.4	73.0	(417)	70.6	74.0	(4.6)
HiPurity	14.1	11.4	23.0	13.1	98.7	8.7	540	9.6	8.4	14.4
Engineering	17.0	20.3	(16.5)	29.3	(1,233.5)	18.3	(130)	19.7	17.6	12.4
Geographic Revenue (Rs mn)										
Domestic	6,528	7,945	-17.8%	6,905	-5.5%	6,739	-3.1%	24,609	28,018	(12.2)
Export	2,062	2,241	-8.0%	3,343	-38.3%	1,791	15.1%	7,665	6,645	15.3
Total	8,590	10,186	-15.7%	10,248	-16.2%	8,530	0.7%	32,273	34,663	(6.9)
Mix (%)										
Domestic	75.9	78.0	(2.6)	67.4	855.7	79.0	(306)	76.2	80.8	(5.7)
Export	24.0	22.0	9.0	32.6	(864.6)	21.0	298	23.7	19.2	23.9
Source: Company Pl										



# **Conference Call Highlights**

- BioEnergy: Typically, bioenergy order book has an execution timeframe of 12-15 months. However, ongoing liquidity challenges in the domestic ethanol market has led to extension of execution time from 15 months to 18 months, resulting in lower revenue for the quarter.
- IG Domestic: Despite the short-term liquidity challenges in domestic ethanol space, management is optimistic about the future prospects given the prospective mandate for ethanol blending in petrol to the extent of ~25%-30% along with mandate for diesel blending is on the horizon. Furthermore, management believes that there are opportunities for debottlenecking and efficiency improvement of existing Ethanol plants while ethanol manufacturers eye for co-product development which will further enhance their profitability.
- IG International: Praj continue to see strong enquiries from Latin American countries such as Brazil, Argentina, Paraguay, Guatemala for starchy feedstock, especially corn, based ethanol plants as these countries are either implementing new or higher mandate for Ethanol blending. Furthermore, 45(Z) draft notification has been issued in North America which will further enhance demand and bolster Praj's position in international markets.
- CBG: The domestic CBG space is poised for growth as PSUs and many OMCs are showing interest in setting up CBG plants. During the quarter, Praj signed a contract with BPCL to develop 10 CBG projects under joint venture. Furthermore, mandate for 1% CBG blending in CNG and PNG from FY26 will generate opportunities for Praj in the near term. Praj is also in talks with its CBG customers for the production of Bio-Bitumen from existing CBG plants which will boost the economic viability of CBG projects in India.
- Developments in the Biopolymers: Praj entered in partnership with thyssenkrupp Uhde ltd. to provide end-to-end offerings for polylactic acid production. In the JV, Praj will be responsible for providing the technology while Uhde ltd. will be responsible for the polymerization process. It has already started jointly pitching their technology to prospective customers and is receiving positive feedback. On the international front, domestic production of biopolymers will help Praj remain cost-competitive in the international markets.
- Praj GenX facility: Praj's GenX facility commenced operations and is now approved by 8 key customers with 3 signing long-term agreements for supply. H1FY26 will be order booking phase for the GenX facility while H2FY26 will see a significant portion of revenue booking. The break-even revenue for Praj's GenX facility is estimated to be ~Rs4-4.5bn. Meanwhile, Praj booked scale-up related expenditure of Rs768.1mn for its GenX facility in FY25.
- USA tariff implications: Equipment exported by Praj to USA attract a duty of 5-7% which is primarily borne by its customers. Management believes that Praj is more favorably placed in USA compared to competitors from other Asian countries attracting higher reciprocal tariffs. Revenue from USA contributed only 3-4% of Praj's full year revenue and hence any impact from reciprocal tariffs by USA will not be significant.

# Financials

# Income Statement (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Net Revenues	34,663	32,280	35,506	41,732
YoY gr. (%)	(1.8)	(6.9)	10.0	17.5
Cost of Goods Sold	19,621	16,546	19,351	22,660
Gross Profit	15,042	15,734	16,155	19,071
Margin (%)	43.4	48.7	45.5	45.7
Employee Cost	3,187	3,489	3,551	3,839
Other Expenses	1,950	9,097	2,521	3,130
EBITDA	3,718	3,149	3,515	4,549
YoY gr. (%)	20.8	(15.3)	11.6	29.4
Margin (%)	10.7	9.8	9.9	10.9
Depreciation and Amortization	441	864	926	955
EBIT	3,278	2,284	2,589	3,594
Margin (%)	9.5	7.1	7.3	8.6
Net Interest	98	188	117	117
Other Income	595	608	657	709
Profit Before Tax	3,775	2,986	3,129	4,186
Margin (%)	10.9	9.2	8.8	10.0
Total Tax	941	796	782	1,055
Effective tax rate (%)	24.9	26.7	25.0	25.2
Profit after tax	2,834	2,189	2,347	3,131
Minority interest	0	0	-	-
Share Profit from Associate	-	-	-	-
Adjusted PAT	2,834	1,983	2,347	3,131
YoY gr. (%)	18.2	(30.0)	18.4	33.4
Margin (%)	8.2	6.1	6.6	7.5
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	206	-	-
Reported PAT	2,834	2,189	2,347	3,131
YoY gr. (%)	18.2	(22.7)	7.2	33.4
Margin (%)	8.2	6.8	6.6	7.5
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	2,834	2,189	2,347	3,131
Equity Shares O/s (m)	184	184	184	184
EPS (Rs)	15.4	10.8	12.8	17.0

Source: Company Data, PL Research

# Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Non-Current Assets				
Cross Block	7 526	0 702	0.642	10,493
Gross Block	7,536	8,793	9,643	
Tangibles	7,536	8,793	9,643	10,493
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Acc: Dep / Amortization	3,464	4,329	5,254	6,209
Tangibles	3,464	4,329	5,254	6,209
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Net fixed assets	4,072	4,465	4,389	4,284
Tangibles	4,072	4,465	4,389	4,284
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Capital Work In Progress	1,106	1,384	1,384	1,384
Goodwill	-	-	-	-
Non-Current Investments	1,367	1,104	1,145	1,224
Net Deferred tax assets	78	(30)	(30)	(30)
Other Non-Current Assets	80	88	71	83
Current Assets				
Investments	4,021	3,584	4,083	4,173
Inventories	2,209	2,533	3,307	3,773
Trade receivables	8,360	5,560	8,658	10,061
Cash & Bank Balance	2,127	1,812	1,715	1,932
Other Current Assets	5,370	10,923	7,811	10,016
Total Assets	28,864	31,604	32,741	37,139
Equity				
Equity Share Capital	368	368	368	368
Other Equity	12,377	13,450	15,004	17,196
Total Networth	12,745	13,818	15,371	17,564
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term borrowings	1,417	1,503	1,503	1,503
Provisions	-	-	-	-
Other non current liabilities	_	_	_	_
Other non current habilities				
Current Liabilities				
ST Debt / Current of LT Debt	276	446	446	446
Trade payables	4,968	4,823	4,864	5,717
Other current liabilities	9,535	10,983	10,525	11,878
Total Equity & Liabilities	28,864	31,604	32,741	37,139

Source: Company Data, PL Research

PL Capital	INSTITUTIONAL EQUITIES

# Cash Flow (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
PBT	3,775	2,986	3,129	4,186
Add. Depreciation	441	864	926	955
Add. Interest	0	4	117	117
Less Financial Other Income	595	608	657	709
Add. Other	(206)	(396)	-	-
Op. profit before WC changes	4,010	3,458	4,172	5,258
Net Changes-WC	(971)	(2,000)	(1,227)	(1,990)
Direct tax	(1,045)	(1,028)	(782)	(1,055)
Net cash from Op. activities	1,994	430	2,162	2,213
Capital expenditures	(885)	(435)	(850)	(850)
Interest / Dividend Income	159	149	-	-
Others	625	998	(499)	(90)
Net Cash from Invt. activities	(101)	712	(1,349)	(940)
Issue of share cap. / premium	9	-	-	-
Debt changes	-	-	-	-
Dividend paid	(827)	(1,102)	(793)	(939)
Interest paid	(94)	(185)	(117)	(117)
Others	(327)	(322)	-	-
Net cash from Fin. activities	(1,239)	(1,608)	(910)	(1,056)
Net change in cash	654	(466)	(97)	217
Free Cash Flow	1,101	(441)	1,312	1,363

Key Financial Metrics				
Y/e Mar	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Per Share(Rs)				
EPS	15.4	10.8	12.8	17.0
CEPS	17.8	15.5	17.8	22.2
BVPS	69.3	75.2	83.6	95.6
FCF	6.0	(2.4)	7.1	7.4
DPS	6.0	4.3	5.1	8.2
Return Ratio(%)				
RoCE	25.6	15.1	15.7	19.5
ROIC	36.9	17.3	18.1	21.8
RoE	24.1	14.9	16.1	19.0
Balance Sheet				
Net Debt : Equity (x)	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.3)	(0.2)
Net Working Capital (Days)	59	37	73	71
Valuation(x)				
PER	29.9	42.8	36.1	27.1
P/B	6.7	6.1	5.5	4.8
P/CEPS	25.9	29.8	25.9	20.8
EV/EBITDA	21.6	25.8	23.0	17.7
EV/Sales	2.3	2.5	2.3	1.9
Dividend Yield (%)	1.3	0.9	1.1	1.8

Source: Company Data, PL Research

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# Quarterly Financials (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	Q1FY25	Q2FY25	Q3FY25	Q4FY25
Net Revenue	6,991	8,162	8,530	8,597
YoY gr. (%)	(5.1)	(7.5)	2.9	(15.6)
Raw Material Expenses	3,304	4,292	4,831	4,120
Gross Profit	3,688	3,870	3,700	4,477
Margin (%)	52.7	47.4	43.4	52.1
EBITDA	868	941	586	754
YoY gr. (%)	21.7	20.9	(39.3)	(40.3)
Margin (%)	12.4	11.5	6.9	8.8
Depreciation / Depletion	202	206	233	224
EBIT	666	736	353	529
Margin (%)	9.5	9.0	4.1	6.2
Net Interest	49	47	44	48
Other Income	172	56	279	101
Profit before Tax	789	744	588	583
Margin (%)	11.3	9.1	6.9	6.8
Total Tax	229	206	177	184
Effective tax rate (%)	29.0	27.7	30.1	31.6
Profit after Tax	560	538	411	398
Minority interest	-	-	-	-
Share Profit from Associates	-	-	-	-
Adjusted PAT	560	538	411	398
YoY gr. (%)	(4.5)	(13.7)	(41.6)	(56.7)
Margin (%)	8.0	6.6	4.8	4.6
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	282	-	-	-
Reported PAT	842	538	411	398
YoY gr. (%)	43.5	(13.7)	(41.6)	(56.7)
Margin (%)	12.0	6.6	4.8	4.6
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	842	538	411	398
Avg. Shares O/s (m)	184	184	184	184
EPS (Rs)	3.0	2.9	2.2	2.2

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# **Praj Industries**

# **Price Chart**



No.	Date	Rating	TP (Rs.)	Share Price (Rs.)
1	09-Apr-25	BUY	751	496
2	24-Mar-25	BUY	751	575
3	01-Feb-25	BUY	751	632
4	09-Jan-25	BUY	804	800
5	29-Oct-24	BUY	804	700
6	07-Oct-24	BUY	804	761
7	28-Jul-24	BUY	804	700
8	08-Jul-24	BUY	815	733
9	14-Jun-24	BUY	815	700
10	31-May-24	BUY	671	522

**Recommendation History** 

# Analyst Coverage Universe

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3 E 4 E		Accumulate		1
4		Accumulate	6,287	4,944
	BEML	Accumulate	3,561	2,875
	Bharat Electronics	BUY	340	281
5 I	BHEL	Accumulate	226	211
6 (	Carborundum Universal	Accumulate	1,052	950
7 (	Cummins India	BUY	3,309	2,746
8 1	Elgi Equipments	BUY	517	418
9 I	Engineers India	BUY	242	164
10 0	GE Vernova T&D India	Accumulate	1,950	1,304
11 (	Grindwell Norton	Accumulate	1,716	1,548
12 I	Harsha Engineers International	Accumulate	440	376
13 I	Hindustan Aeronautics	Accumulate	4,134	4,042
14 I	Ingersoll-Rand (India)	BUY	4,540	3,376
15 I	Kalpataru Projects International	BUY	1,105	876
16 I	KEC International	Accumulate	801	665
17 I	Kirloskar Pneumatic Company	BUY	1,636	1,230
18 I	Larsen & Toubro	BUY	3,920	3,161
19 I	Praj Industries	BUY	751	496
20 9	Siemens	Accumulate	3,233	2,763
21	Thermax	Accumulate	3,456	3,222
22	Triveni Turbine	BUY	744	488
23	Voltamp Transformers	BUY	11,437	6,582

# PL's Recommendation Nomenclature (Absolute Performance)

Buy	:	> 15%
Accumulate	:	5% to 15%
Hold	:	+5% to -5%
Reduce	:	-5% to -15%
Sell	:	< -15%
Not Rated (NR)	:	No specific call on the stock
Under Review (UR)	:	Rating likely to change shortly



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