TVS Motor Company Ltd.

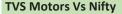
Margin Expansion on Cards

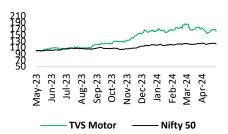
CMP: INR 1,997 Rating: Hold

Target Price: INR 2,138

Stock Info	
BSE	509243
NSE	TVSMOTOR
Bloomberg	TVSL IN
Reuters	TVSM.BO
Sector	Auto -2&3 Wheelers
Face Value (INR)	1
Equity Capital (INR mn)	475
Mkt Cap (INR bn)	895,321
52w H/L (INR)	2,314/1214
Avg Yearly Vol (in 000')	1083

Shareholding Patter (As on March, 2024)	rn %		
Promoters		:	34.76
Public & Others		(65.24
Stock Performance (%)	1m	3m	12m
TVS Motors	-9.4	-4.9	57.1
Nifty	1.1	12.3	21.7





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Jyoti Singh jyoti.singh@arihantcapital.com 022 67114834 TVS Motor Company has reported decent top line and Margin Expansion but PAT below estimates led by higher income tax rate. Standalone revenue stood at INR 81,688 Mn, above our estimate of INR 80,260 Mn registering 23.7% YoY/-0.9% QoQ. EBITDA stood at INR 9,262 Mn, above our estimate of INR 9,040 Mn, Registering a growth of 36.3%YoY/-0.2%QoQ. On the margins front, EBITDA margin up by bps 13bps QoQ/105bps YoY to 11.34%, above our estimate of 11.3%. The margin expansion led by softening in RM. Standalone PAT saw a growth of 18.3%YoY/-18.2% QoQ to INR 4,854.3 Mn against our estimate of INR 5,380 Mn. Electric vehicle sales registered 100% growth at 1.94 lakh units. EPS stood at INR 10.2 in Q4FY24 against INR 12.5 in Q3FY24 (INR 8.6 in Q4FY23). The negative INR 460 Mn stems from a notional loss on the final valuation of company investments, previously accounted for as a gain in the FY23, contrasting with a positive INR 700 Mn in the Q3FY24, primarily due to realized gains on sales and notional gains on fair valuation.

TVS iQUBE: Driving EV Expansion: The new scheme, valid until July 2024, aligns with government support and infrastructure enhancements, supporting EV industry growth. With EV volumes doubling FY23, TVS iQUBE has become a leading brand, serving over 300,000 customers across 712 outlets. Recognized under the PLI scheme, the company is set for new product launches catering to diverse customer needs, while expanding exports and achieving notable success with TVS credits, recording sales of INR 130Mn customer bids in the FY24.

Rural Market Dynamics and Consumer Aspirations: Rural markets show positive momentum with anticipated normal monsoon, driving confidence. Increased activity levels and self-employment contribute to higher consumer aspirations, extending beyond entry-level products. Retail financing (56%) facilitates access to aspirational products, reflecting evolving consumer preferences even in rural areas.

Continues improving EBITDA Journey: Despite recent commodity price increases, sustained focus on product mix and cost reduction initiatives instills confidence for continuous EBITDA improvement. With a diverse product range including Apache, Jupiter, iCube, Raider, Ntorq, and more, TVS anticipates outpacing industry growth both domestically and internationally.

Outlook and valuation

The company stands poised as a key beneficiary of the anticipated revival in 2w demand, both domestically and in export markets. The company is strategically positioned to maneuver through the changing market dynamics by prioritizing premiumization, EV technology, and global expansion. Nonetheless, it faces obstacles such as competition in EV pricing and the performance of its subsidiary, Norton Motorcycles. We value TVS Motors' standalone business at an FY27E PE of 25x to its EPS estimate of INR 81.9 for FY27E and TVS credit services at 2.6x its BV (INR 90.7/ share), which yields a revised target price of INR 2,138 per share (Earlier target price: INR 2,188 per share). We maintain our Hold rating on the stock.

Exhibit 1: Financial Performance

YE March (INR Mn)	Net Sales	EBITDA	PAT	EPS (INR)	EBITDA Margin %	D/F (y)
FY23	2,63,781	26,747	14,910	31.4	10.1	63.8
FY24	3,17,764	35,141	20,830	43.8	11.1	45.6
FY25E	3,61,262	41,517	26,118	55.0	11.5	36.4
FY26E	4,10,403	49,885	33,065	69.6	12.2	28.8
FY27E	4,70,559	57,927	38,898	81.9	12.3	24.5

Source: Arihant Research, Company Filings

Exhibit 2: Quarterly result summary

INR mn	4QFY24	3QFY24	4QFY23	YoY (%)	QoQ (%)
Net Sales	81,688	82,450	4QFY23 66,048	23.7	(0.9)
- Consumption of Raw Material	59,440	60,756	49,797	19.4	(2.2)
(% of Net Sales)	72.8	73.7	75.4	-263bps	-92bps
- Staff Expenditure	4,205	4,036	3,377	24.5	-320μ3 4.2
(% of Net Sales)	5.1	4.9	5,577	3bps	25bps
- Other Expenditure	8,782	8,414	6,076	44.5	4.4
(% of Net Sales)	10.8	10.2	9.2	155bps	55bps
Total Expenditure	72,427	73,206	59,250	22.2	(1.1)
EBITDA	9,262	9,244	6,798	36.3	0.2
EBITDA Margin (%)	11.34	11.21	10.29	105bps	13bps
Depreciation	1,887	1,781	1,674	12.7	6.0
EBIT	7,375	7,464	5,124	43.9	(1.2)
EBIT Margin (%)	9.03	9.05	7.76	127bps	-2bps
Interest	372	474	363	2.6	(21.5)
Other income	(287)	576	705	(140.7)	(149.8)
PBT	6,716	7,565	5,466	22.9	(11.2)
Тах	1,862	1,427	1,364	36.6	30.5
Tax Rate (%)	27.7%	23%	25%	11.1	18.6
Adjusted PAT	4,854	5,934	4,103	18.3	(18.2)
Exceptional Item	-	-	-		, ,
Reported PAT	4,854.3	5,933.5	4,102.7	18.3	(18.2)
EPS (INR)	10.2	12.5	8.6	18.3	(18.2)
Total Volumes (In Nos)	1,062,529	1,100,843	868,417	22.4	(3.5)
Net Realisation (INR)	76,881	74,897	76,055	1.1	2.6
EBITDA / Vehicle (INR)	8,717	8,397	7,828	11.4	3.8
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Volumes (In Nos)	4QFY24	3QFY24	4QFY23	YoY (%)	QoQ (%)
Motorcycle	511,245	522,850	434,279	17.7	(2.2)
Scooter	395,914	404,051	295,635	33.9	(2.0)
E-Scooter E-Scooter	49,485	48,167	29,230	69.3	2.7
Moped					(0.0)
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2W Domestic	796,267	846,962	629,033	26.6	(6.0)
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Source: Arihant Research, Company Filings

Q4Y24 Conference-Call highlights

Going forward, TVS Motor foresees strong growth in the domestic two-wheeler sector, emphasizing EV technology, premiumization, and cost efficiencies. Nonetheless, it remains vigilant of intense price competition in the EV market and hurdles encountered by its subsidiary, Norton Motorcycles. TVS Credit, its financing arm, achieved notable milestones, while the company persists in digital technology investments. Despite a solid performance in FY2024, TVS Motor remains cautious about prevailing market uncertainties and challenges.

Margin

The company is confident that its EBITDA will continue to improve QoQ.

Debt

The company reduced its debt by INR 1,000 cr including ICE and EV and all the new products. Company has investment outflow will be slightly lesser than the FY24, maybe INR 1100 cr to INR 1200 cr. Overall investment this year. INR 3000 Mn

EV Momentum:

Electric vehicle sales doubled YoY in FY2024, reaching 1.94 lakh units and reflecting a strong 101% growth. The company crossed the milestone of 3 lakh EV customers in India. The company is also expanding its TVS iQUBE product line with multiple options, including different battery cap.

Product Launches

The company launched several successful products in FY2024, including the TVS Raider and Jupiter 125. They plan to maintain this momentum with new launches in both ICE and EV segments throughout FY2025.

International Expansion

TVS Motor commenced exports of the TVS iQube electric scooter to ASEAN and other Asian markets. They also plan to expand their presence in developed and developing countries with EV and premium motorcycle offerings.

Industry Growth

TVS Motor anticipates healthy growth in the domestic two-wheeler industry in FY2025, driven by urban and rural demand. The company expects further expansion in the scooter segment with both ICE and EV options.

EV Focus

The company will continue investing in EV technology, R&D, and new product development. Multiple variants of the TVS iQube with different battery capacities and price points will be launched soon, along with a new EV 3w within FY2025.

Premiumization & Cost Reduction

The company remains committed to its premiumization strategy and cost reduction initiatives to sustain EBITDA margin improvement.

International Markets

TVS Motor is cautiously optimistic about recovery in the international two-wheeler market, particularly in Africa and Southeast Asia. They will focus on upgrading their product portfolio and strengthening their position in these regions. international business is INR 20,380 Mn. Fair part for Q4FY24 INR 8150 Mn.

EV Price Competition

Acknowledging intense competition in the EV market, impacting market share, the company focuses on building a robust brand and offering diverse options for long-term success.

Norton Performance

Despite challenges faced by its subsidiary, Norton Motorcycles, due to economic conditions in Europe, investments in new product development are expected to show results in FY 2026.

Rural Recovery

While optimistic about rural recovery, the company remains cautious of potential setbacks from severe heatwaves and uncertainties in the monsoon season.

TVS Credit

Achieved significant milestones in FY2024, with a customer base exceeding 130 Mn and AUM crossing INR.259000 Mn. The company plans to further expand its offerings beyond 2w and 3w financing

Digital Transformation

The company continues to invest in digital technologies to improve customer experience, retail and service management, and manufacturing processes.

Exports

The company is planning to launch new products in the international market, including in LATAM and South-East Asian market

Profit & Loss Statement (Standalone)				
YE: Mar (INR mn)	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Net sales	3,17,764	3,61,262	4,10,403	4,70,559
Growth, %	20.5	13.7	13.6	14.7
RM expenses	2,34,290	2,62,818	2,96,311	3,39,743
Employee expenses	15,959	17,954	20,036	22,360
Other expenses	32,374	38,973	44,171	50,528
EBITDA (Core)	35,141	41,517	49,885	57,927
Growth, %	31	18	20	16
Margin, %	11.1	11.5	12.2	12.3
Depreciation	7,004	7,537	6,629	7,229
EBIT	28,138	33,980	43,255	50,697
Growth, %	38	21	27	17
Margin, %	8.9	9.4	10.5	10.8
Interest paid	1,816	763	551	507
Other Income	1,485	1,649	1,978	2,374
Non-recurring Items	_	_	-	-
Pre-tax profit	27,807	34,866	44,682	52,564
Tax provided	6,977	8,748	11,617	13,666
Profit after tax	20,830	26,118	33,065	38,898
Exceptional Item	-	-	-	•
Net Profit	20,830	26,118	33,065	38,898
Growth, %	40	25	27	18
Net Profit (adjusted)	20,830	26,118	33,065	38,898

Balance Sheet (Standalone)				
YE: Mar (INR mn)	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Cash & bank	5,310	4,690	21,775	45,594
Marketable securities				
cost	-	-	-	-
Debtors	13,021	14,804	16,818	19,283
Inventory	13,708	25,338	29,909	35,582
Loans & advances	-	-	3,470.90	3,514.90
Other current assets	7,958	8,356	8,774	9,213
Total current assets	39,997	53,188	77,275	1,09,672
Investments	69,913	76,913	83,913	90,913
Gross fixed assets	95,489	1,05,489	1,15,489	1,25,489
Less: Depreciation	-51,339	-58,875	-65,505	-72,734
Add: Capital WIP	3,297	3,297	3,297	3,297
Net fixed assets	44,150	46,613	49,984	52,755
Total assets	1,57,357	1,80,011	2,14,469	2,56,636
Current liabilities	57,996	64,565	72,935	83,625
Provisions	3,495	3,844	4,229	4,651
Total current				
liabilities	61,490	68,410	77,163	88,277
Non-current liabilities	6,372	2,967	2,967	2,967
Total liabilities	67,863	71,377	80,131	91,244
Paid-up capital	475	475	475	475
Reserves & surplus	76,835	97,252	1,24,044	1,56,097
Shareholders' equity	77,310	97,727	1,24,519	1,56,573
Total equity &				
liabilities	1,57,357	1,80,011	2,14,469	2,56,636

Cash Flow				
YE: Mar (INR mn)	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Pre-tax profit	27,807	34,865	44,680	52,561
Depreciation	7,004	7,537	6,629	7,229
Chg in working capital	12,104	-10,057	1,751	2,537
Total tax paid	-7,021	-8,748	-11,617	-13,666
CFO	40,224	19,928	40,019	46,796
Capital expenditure	-12,556	-10,000	-10,000	-10,000
Chg in marketable securities	0	0	0	0
Chg in investments	-13,074	-7,000	-7,000	-7,000
CFI	-24,145	-15,351	-15,022	-14,626
Free cash flow	27,668	9,928	30,019	36,796
Debt raised/(repaid)	-7,311	-1,513	-1,090	-1,003
Dividend (incl. tax)	-4,560	-5,701	-6,271	-6,841
CFF	-13,688	-7,977	-7,912	-8,351
Net chg in cash	2,391	-3,401	17,085	23,819
Opening cash balance	2,420	5,310	4,690	21,775
Closing cash balance	5,310	4,690	21,775	45,594

Ratios					
YE: Mar	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E	
EPS (INR)	43.8	55.0	69.6	81.9	
PER (x)	45.6	36.4	28.8	24.5	
Price/Book (x)	12.3	9.7	7.6	6.1	
EV/EBITDA (x)	27.3	23.1	18.9	15.8	
EV/Net sales (x)	3.0	2.7	2.3	1.9	
RoE (%)	27	27	27	25	
RoCE (%)	33.2	33	34	32	
Fixed Asset turnover (x)	3.3	3.4	3.6	3.7	
Dividend Yield (%)	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	
Receivable (days)	16	15	15	15	
Inventory (days)	20	29	30	31	
Payable (days)	85	74	74	74	
Net D/E ratio (x)	0.1	0.1	(0.1)	(0.2)	

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Stock Rating Scale	Absolute Return
BUY	>20%
ACCUMULATE	12% to 20%
HOLD	5% to 12%
NEUTRAL	-5% to 5%
REDUCE	-5% to -12%
SELL	<-12%

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