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Industry: Tyres & Rubber Products **Sector:** Consumer Discretionary

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Apollo Tyres Ltd

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Apollo Tyres is a global leader in tyre manufacturing, known for innovation, sustainability, and premiumization. With strong market presence in India and Europe, it excels in passenger car and agricultural segments. Focused on R&D; and operational efficiency, Apollo drives growth through market diversification, strategic partnerships, and capacity expansion, ensuring long-term profitability and resilience.

Sales		Profit & Loss		Profitability Matrix	
Current Year	17981 Cr	Operating Profit(Year)	2360 Cr	Operating Profit Margin	13.1 %
Previous Year	17301 Cr	Operating Profit(Quarter)	504 Cr	EBITDA Margin	17.82 %
Current Quarter	4540 Cr	PAT (Year)	1183 Cr	Net Profit Margin	6.74 %
Previous Quarter	4462 Cr	PAT (Quarter) 125 Cr		EPS	10.9
Revenue (QYoY)	4332 Cr				
Valuation Matrix		Growth(YoY)		Growth(QoQ)	
Trailing P/E	40.9	Sales Growth	2.64 %	Sales Growth	1.75 %
PEG Ratio	4.14	PAT Growth	130.16 %	Sales Growth QYoY	4.8 %
EV/EBITDA	13.6	EPS Growth	-40.11 %	PAT Growth	-25.6 %
P/B	2.95	Dividend Yield	1.24	PAT Growth QYoY	-59.02 %
Capital Allocation		Holdings		Leverage	
RoE	11.8 %	Promoter	37.4 %	Debt/Equity	0.35
RoA	5.89 %	FII	13.4 %	Debt	3640 Cr
RoCE	16.2 %	DII	26.5 %	Market Cap	30675 Cr
RoIC	11.7 %	Public	21.1 %	Enterprise value	33929 Cr
		No of Shares	63.5 Cr	Cash Equivalents	386 Cr

source : Company filings

Company's Overview Based on Recent Concall and Performance:

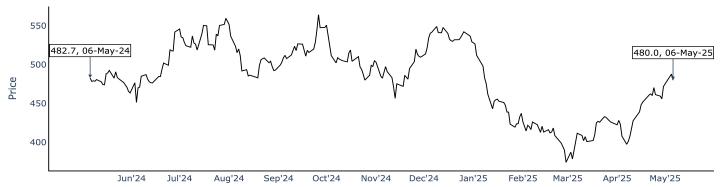
Apollo Tyres demonstrated resilience in Q3 FY25 despite challenges such as elevated raw material costs and fluctuating demand. The company achieved consolidated revenue growth of 8% QoQ and 5% YoY, with margins holding steady at 13.7%. Key initiatives included internal measures to uplift profitability, leveraging reduced raw material inflation, and focusing on premiumization across product categories. In India, Apollo outperformed the industry in the PCR and agri replacement segments, gaining market share despite a decline in OEM volumes. Europe showed promising growth, with a 7% increase in replacement segment revenues and a notable improvement in product mix, as UUHP accounted for 48% of PCLT replacement volumes. Sustainability remained a priority, with the AP plant receiving zero-liquid discharge certification and recognition for environmental efforts.

The company outlined its FY26 vision, emphasizing R&D;, premiumization, and sustainability. Apollo secured additional model wins from German PV manufacturers, reinforcing its technological capabilities. Brand-building efforts included record-setting achievements in India and strategic sponsorships in Europe, such as the Vredestein sleeve partnership with AS Monaco. Diversification into new markets like the US and Saudi Arabia was highlighted as a growth strategy, with steady progress in PCR and TBR segments. The company also maintained a focus on operational efficiency, reducing net debt by INR 4.5 billion and achieving a net debt-to-EBITDA ratio of 0.7x.

Future growth perspectives are optimistic, driven by strong replacement demand in India and Europe, alongside new product launches and market expansion. Apollo plans to increase passenger car tyre capacity in FY26, with a projected Capex of INR 1,200–1,300 crores, adding 10% capacity globally. The company expects RM costs to plateau, aiding margin stability, while maintaining a prudent approach to pricing amidst competitive pressures. Europe's robust demand for UHP and UUHP tyres further supports Apollo's premiumization strategy, enhancing profitability and market positioning.

Apollo Tyres is well-positioned to leverage long-term opportunities through strategic initiatives, operational efficiency, and market diversification. The focus on premiumization, sustainability, and R&D; underscores its commitment to innovation and growth. While challenges persist, such as competitive intensity and fluctuating freight costs, Apollo's proactive measures and strong financial discipline provide a solid foundation for scaling operations and achieving sustained growth across key markets.

APOLLOTYRE Daily Closing One Year Price Chart



Name	Mar Cap (Rs. Cr.)	P/E	ROE	Sales(G) QoQ	Sales(G) QYoY	PAT(G) QoQ	PAT(G) QYoY
JK Tyre & Indust	8543.90	14.14	20.62%	1.44%	-0.38%	-55.28%	-71.50%
MRF	57056.59	32.55	12.55%	1.74%	13.60%	-32.98%	-38.11%
Balkrishna Inds	52756.26	29.75	17.55%	5.81%	12.57%	29.56%	47.17%
Apollo Tyres	30675.38	40.87	11.80%	1.75%	4.80%	-25.37%	-59.04%
TVS Srichakra	2162.44	51.37	10.65%	-4.63%	11.67%	-129.46%	-112.53%

Aspect	Commentary
Revenue	Apollo Tyres achieved steady revenue growth, with a 2.64% YoY increase and 1.75% QoQ growth. The current quarter revenue of Rs.4540 Cr reflects resilience despite challenges in demand and raw material costs. Diversification into new markets and premiumization strategies are driving consistent top-line performance.
Profit & Loss	Operating profit for the year stands at Rs.2360 Cr, with a margin of 13.1%. PAT grew 130.16% YoY to Rs.1183 Cr, showcasing strong profitability. However, QoQ PAT declined by 25.6%, indicating short-term pressures. EPS at Rs.10.9 reflects stable earnings despite fluctuating quarterly performance.
Profitability Matrix	Operating profit margin of 13.1% and EBITDA margin of 17.82% highlight Apollo's efficient cost management. Net profit margin at 6.74% indicates profitability challenges in the current quarter. Focus on premiumization and operational efficiency supports long-term margin stability.
Valuation Matrix	Trailing P/E of 40.9 and EV/EBITDA of 13.6 suggest Apollo is trading at a premium valuation. PEG ratio of 4.14 indicates slower earnings growth relative to price. Dividend yield of 1.24% provides moderate returns to shareholders, while P/B of 2.95 reflects strong asset utilization.
Growth (YoY)	Sales grew 2.64% YoY, reflecting steady demand. PAT growth of 130.16% YoY highlights improved profitability, driven by operational efficiency and reduced raw material inflation. EPS declined by 40.11%, indicating earnings pressure despite overall growth in profitability metrics.
Growth (QoQ)	QoQ sales growth of 1.75% reflects stable demand, while PAT declined by 25.6%, signaling short-term profitability challenges. PAT QYoY dropped by 59.02%, highlighting volatility. Apollo's focus on premiumization and operational efficiency aims to stabilize quarterly performance.
Capital Allocation	RoE of 11.8% and RoCE of 16.2% indicate efficient capital utilization. Cash equivalents of Rs.386 Cr provide liquidity for strategic initiatives. Net debt reduction by Rs.4.5 billion reflects disciplined financial management, supporting long-term growth and operational stability.
Holdings	Promoter holding at 37.4% ensures strong governance. FII and DII holdings at 13.4% and 26.5%, respectively, reflect institutional confidence. Public holding of 21.1% indicates retail investor interest. Strategic partnerships and market diversification enhance shareholder value.
Leverage	Debt-to-equity ratio of 0.35 reflects prudent leverage management. Net debt-to-EBITDA ratio of 0.7x highlights strong operational efficiency. Debt reduction efforts and a market cap of Rs.30,675 Cr position Apollo Tyres well for future growth while maintaining financial stability.

Analyst viewpoint: Apollo Tyres has demonstrated robust performance in recent quarters, supported by its strategic focus on premiumization, market diversification, and operational efficiency. The company achieved steady revenue growth of 2.64% YoY and 1.75% QoQ, with consolidated revenue for the current quarter at 4,540 crore. Despite short-term pressures, Apollo's PAT grew 130.16% YoY, reflecting strong profitability driven by reduced raw material inflation and internal cost optimization measures. The company's emphasis on premium product categories, such as UUHP tyres in Europe and PCR/agri replacement segments in India, has bolstered its market share and enhanced its competitive positioning. Additionally, Apollo's disciplined capital allocation, including a 4.5 billion reduction in net debt and a net debt-to-EBITDA ratio of 0.7x, underscores its financial resilience and ability to fund future growth initiatives, such as capacity expansion and R&D; investments.

Valuation metrics, including a trailing P/E of 40.9 and EV/EBITDA of 13.6, suggest Apollo is trading at a premium, reflecting investor confidence in its growth trajectory. While the company faces challenges such as fluctuating freight costs and competitive intensity, its proactive measures, including sustainability efforts and diversification into new markets like the US and Saudi Arabia, provide a solid foundation for long-term growth. Apollo's focus on premiumization and operational efficiency positions it well to capitalize on strong replacement demand in India and Europe, while its prudent approach to pricing ensures margin stability amidst industry pressures.

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