

ADVANCED ENZYME TECHNOLOGIES LTD.

RECOMMENDATION: BUY

MARKET PRICE: Rs.258.20 (As on 28th Apr 2023)

TARGET PRICE: Rs.323.00



NSE CODE: ADVENZYMES







ABOUT THE COMPANY

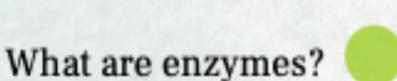
Advanced Enzyme Technologies Ltd. is a research driven company with global leadership in the manufacturing of enzymes and probiotics. The Company is committed to providing eco-safe solutions to a wide variety of industries like human health care and nutrition, animal nutrition, baking, fruit & vegetable processing, brewing & malting, grain processing, protein modification, dairy processing, speciality applications, textile processing and others. Its aim is to replace traditionally used chemicals with eco-friendly enzymatic solutions.

The Company has 68+ Enzymes & Probiotics, 400+ Proprietary Products, 700+ Customers Worldwide, 45+ Countries Worldwide Presence and 850+ Employees. The Company has 9 manufacturing units (7 in India and 2 in USA) and 7 R&D Units (India-5, USA-1 and Germany-1).



Company Overview

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Enzymes are natural protein molecules that act as catalysts within living cells, produced by all living organisms. Function as specialized catalysts and accelerate the pace of biochemical reactions.

Advanced uses enzymes to replace chemicals in, and improve efficiency of, a wide variety of industrial processes for its customers.

What are Probiotics?



Probiotics are live microorganisms, when administered in sufficient amount, confer health benefits to human and animals. Probiotics have now become an integral part of several therapies for the digestive disorders and newer applications for treatment of several other diseases are being developed. Probiotics act by fighting with the disease causing microorganisms and by secreting beneficial metabolites in the human/animal system.

Advanced Enzymes has developed and upscaled technologies for the production and application of several important probiotics.





Mission

It is our mission to see that every human being is able to take advantage of the power of enzymes and probiotics for well-being and leading a healthy life!

Vision

Our vision at Advanced Enzymes is to become the largest, enzyme and probiotic -based, value provider to consumers and processors globally!





Advanced Enzyme Technologies Limited - A Rising Global Star



9 Manufacturing Units India - 7 USA - 2



R&D Units India - 5 | USA - 1 | Germany -1



1st Indian enzyme company



2nd Highest market share in India



2nd Listed integrated enzyme player globally



68+ Enzymes

& Probiotics

400+

Proprietary Products TIN .

700+

Customers Worldwide



45+

Countries Worldwide Presence



850 +

Employees



13*
Patents



12#

Food Enzyme Dossiers filed with EFSA



7**

GRAS Dossier evaluated by US FDA



500

m³ Fermentation Capacity



25+

Years of Fermentation Experience



Brief History and Evolution

1985

Cal-India Foods International
(doing business as Specialty
Enzymes and Probiotics),
promoted by Mr. Vasant Rathi
and incorporated on March 25,
1985 in the United States of
America to undertake
manufacturing of customformulated enzymes in a
variety of industries, focusing
primarily on small-to-middle
market companies

1994

1st fermentation facility commissioned at Sinnar, Maharashtra

2004

Advanced Biochemicals ranked as the largest domestic manufacturer of Industrial Enzymes. Advanced Biochemicals files its first patent

2011

Takeover of Cal-India Foods International – USA presence

2014

1st food enzyme Dossier was filed

2017

- Acquired 100% stake in evoxx technologies GmbH, Germany
- 1st GRAS dossier was filed with USFDA

2021

Acquired 51% stake in SciTech Specialities with 2 manufacturing facilities and 1 R&D unit

1989

Incorporated as Advanced Biochemicals Pvt Ltd.

2001

R&D locations (Thane and Sinnar) recognized by DSIR

2005

Advanced Biochemicals Ltd. is renamed as Advanced Enzyme Technologies Limited

2012

- Equity investment by Kotak Private Equity
- Takeover of Advanced Supplementary Technologies
- 2nd fermentation facility commissioned at Pithampur, Indore

2016

- Floated IPO
- Acquired 70% stake in JC Biotech with a fermentation facility at Ongole, Andhra Pradesh

2018

- 4 food enzymes got approved as a processing aid with Food Safety Standard Authority of India (FSSAI)
- 4 enzymes are registered with REACH -ECHA (European Chemical Agency)

2022

- Received NIH grant for ImmunoSEB and ProbioSEB CSC3)
- Approvals of 2 GRAS
 Dossiers for
 SEBtilis™ and
 SEBclausii™
- Increased 15% stake in JC Biotech



What Makes AETL a Unique Investment Case?





Integrated Player with Presence Across the Enzyme Value Chain





What we are Aiming in the Opportunity?

| | Focus Area | Onnortunity Size | Addressable market for AETL over next 5 | AETL's Current Share of Revenue | | | |
|----|------------------|------------------|---|---------------------------------|----------------|--|--|
| | - rocus Area | Opportunity Size | years** | FY22 | FY21 | | |
| | Human Nutrition | \$ 400 mn | \$ 200 mn | \$ 41 mn, 58% | \$ 39 mn, 57% | | |
| Ü, | Bio-catalysis | \$ 60 mn | \$ 30 mn* | \$ 2.5 mn, 4% | \$ 2.2 mn, 3% | | |
| | Baking | \$ 300 mn | \$ 30 mn | \$ 7 mn*, 10% | \$ 6.3 mn*, 9% | | |
| | Animal Nutrition | \$ 1.02 bn | \$ 40 mn | \$ 7.5 mn, 11% | \$ 6.4 mn, 9% | | |
| | Probiotics | \$ 48 bn | Majority of the market is untapped, so this a huge opportunity | \$ 4.7 mn, 7% | \$ 9.8 mn, 14% | | |



Specialized Business With High Entry Barriers



Technocrat Promoters

Cumulative experience of 7+ decades in the global enzyme industry



Sustained Research & Development

Consistent Investment into R&D over the past 15+ years



Manufacturing Expertise

Specialized technical expertise in microbial fermentation developed over the last 25+ years



Proven Enzyme Development Capabilities

Proven Expertise in Successfully Developing Enzymes; Journey from only 7 in 1994 to 68+ today



Global Competitiveness

Amongst the Lowest Cost Manufacturers in the World (Benchmarked both in terms of Capex & Opex)



Diverse Product Range & **Customer Base**

400+ Products, 700+ Customers Worldwide



Credible Market Presence

Presence of more than 3 decades in the industry with prolonged & dedicated "enzyme" focus



Invaluable Experience & **Customer Insights**

Decades of Experience in Solving Customer Problems, and Invaluable Product & Process Insights

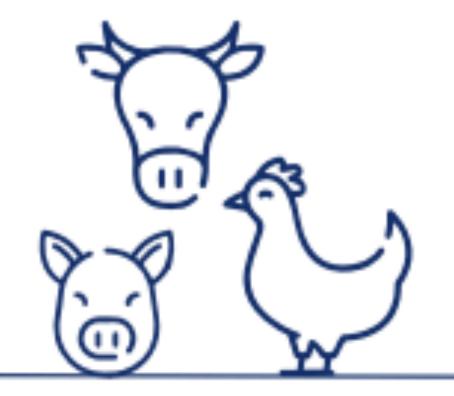






Focus Areas Going Ahead

Animal Nutrition



Continuing conduct trials and studies to bring newer and effective nutritional products, which may improve the efficacy of animal feeds

Registering and introducing more products in the domestic as well as in the international markets.

Expand its sales and marketing team in USA, MENA and Asian market

Targeting to strengthen the geographical reach and distribution network by appointing more distributors in the overseas markets

Probiotics



To introduce more probiotics products in Human Nutrition for the immunity development, active health food, gut health and various nutraceutical applications

To launch more products on immunity development, digestion improvement, and increase nutritional level of feed in the Animal Nutrition

Bio-Catalysis



Developing bio catalysis for API manufacturers, providing enzymatic based solutions that are target specific, helping them to save cost of energy, time and use of chemicals

Couple of products are under the advanced stage of trials at plant level by the API manufacturers

This is one of the opportunities, where your Company will continue its efforts and focus

Baking



In Bio-processing division, our focus is on Baking Solutions

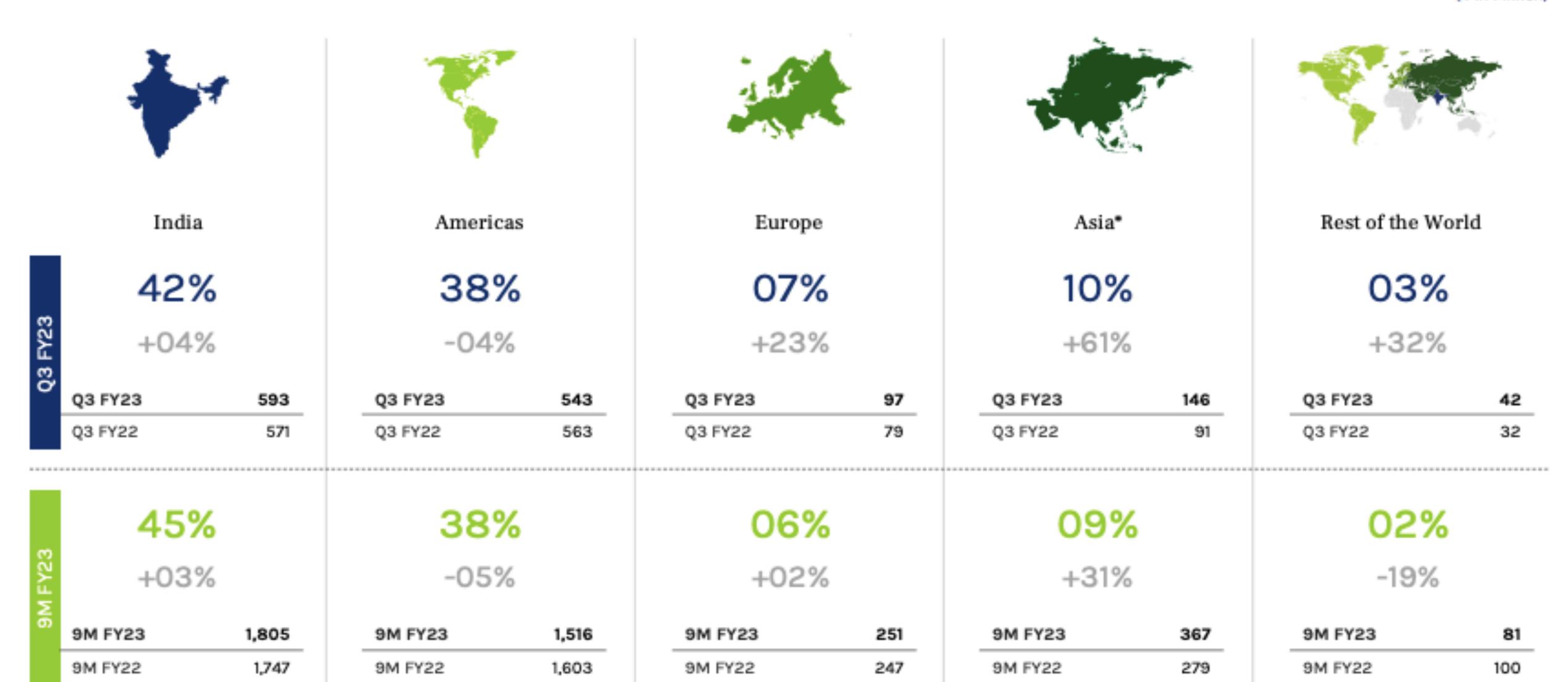
We have got positive response for the products in terms of efficacy and performance

Confident to expand in Europe, Americas and Rest of World to tap the available opportunities by offering a value based approach in the Baking Industry



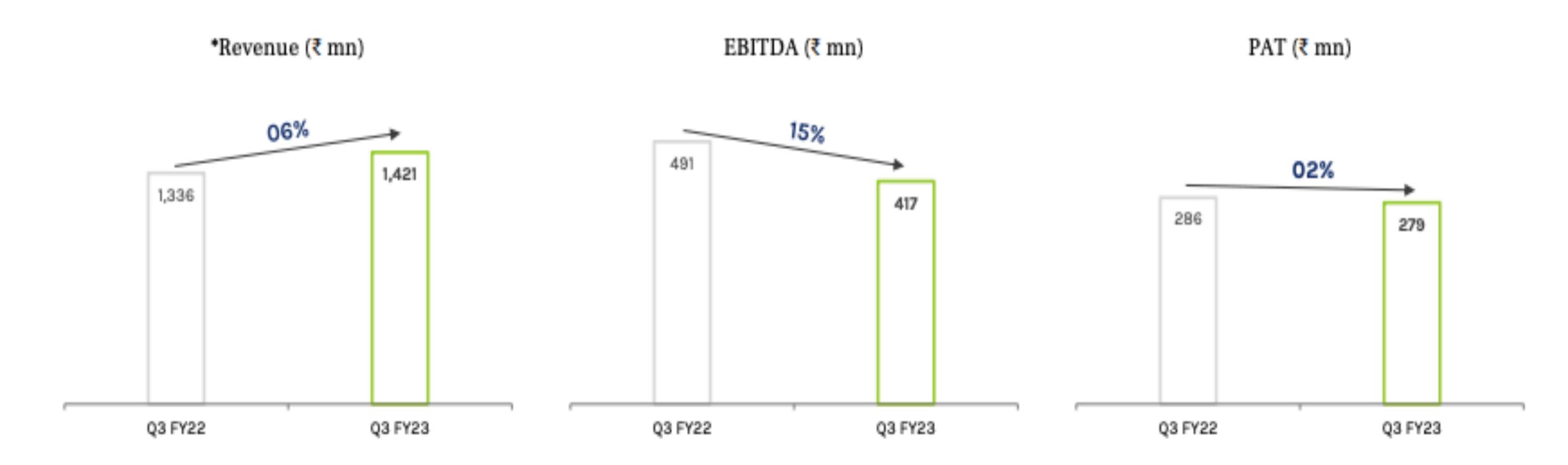
Geographical Performance

(₹ in Million)





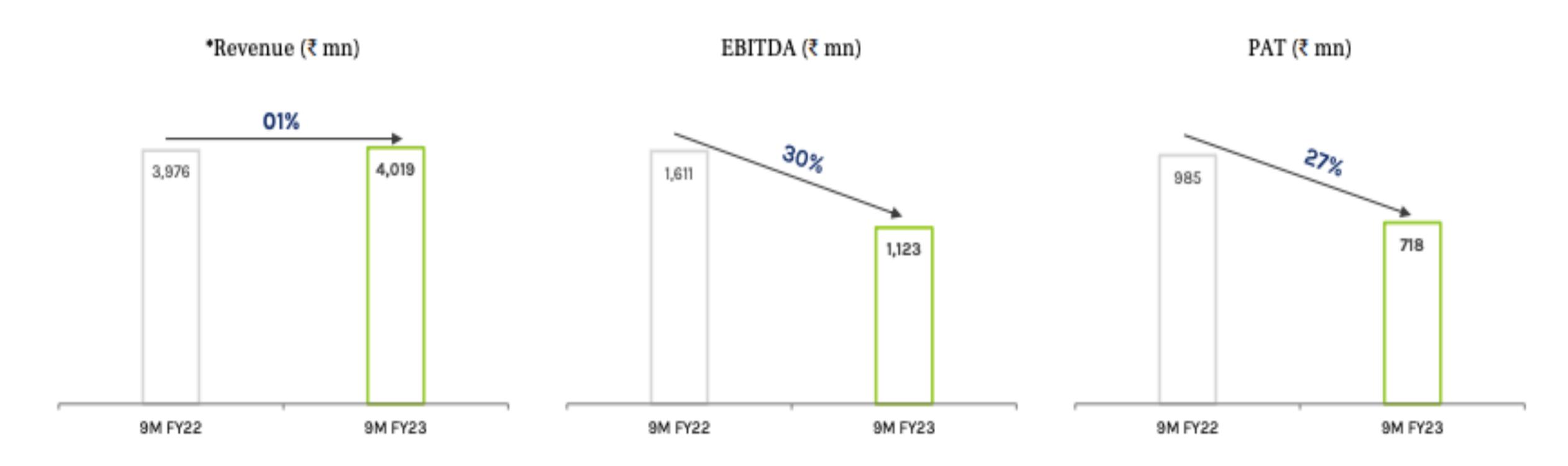
Results Summary – Q3 FY23 (Consolidated) Y-o-Y



- Revenue grew by 06% on y-o-y basis to ₹ 1,421 million in Q3 FY23 from ₹ 1,336 million in Q3 FY22
- EBITDA de-grew by 15% to ₹ 417 million in Q3 FY23 as against ₹ 491 million in Q3 FY22 on y-o-y basis
- PAT decreased to ₹ 279 million in Q3 FY23 from ₹ 286 million in Q3 FY22, a de-growth of 02% on y-o-y basis
- EBITDA margin and PAT margin during Q3 FY23 stands at 29% and 20% respectively



Results Summary – 9M FY23 (Consolidated) Y-o-Y



- Revenue grew by 01% on y-o-y basis to ₹ 4,019 million in 9M FY23 from ₹ 3,976 million in the 9M FY22
- EBITDA de-grew by 30% to ₹ 1,123 million in 9M FY23 as against ₹ 1,611 million in 9M FY22 on y-o-y basis
- PAT decreased to ₹ 718 million in 9M FY23 from ₹ 985 million in 9M FY22, a decline of 27% on y-o-y basis
- EBITDA margin and PAT margin during 9M FY23 stands at 28% and 18% respectively



Yearly Results

| YEARLY RESULTS OF ADVANCED ENZYME TECHNOLOGIES (in Rs. Cr.) | MAR '22 | MAR '21 | MAR '20 | MAR '19 | MAR '18 |
|---|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Net Sales/Income from operations | 529.38 | 501.84 | 443.99 | 419.59 | 391.02 |
| Total Income From Operations | 529.38 | 501.84 | 443.99 | 419.59 | 391.02 |
| EXPENDITURE | | | | | |
| Consumption of Raw Materials | 130.26 | 100.18 | 90.60 | 65.71 | 79.94 |
| Purchase of Traded Goods | 0.07 | 0.03 | 0.23 | 0.24 | 0.39 |
| Increase/Decrease in Stocks | -20.61 | -1.16 | -9.92 | 11.29 | 1.14 |
| Employees Cost | 103.96 | 87.11 | 80.19 | 80.23 | 68.60 |
| Depreciation | 34.98 | 28.41 | 25.78 | 21.12 | 18.30 |
| Other Expenses | 114.29 | 84.16 | 80.56 | 80.21 | 76.99 |
| P/L Before Other Inc., Int., Excpt. Items & Tax | 166.43 | 203.12 | 176.55 | 160.80 | 145.66 |
| Other Income | 6.42 | 8.85 | 5.64 | 5.04 | 1.39 |
| P/L Before Int., Excpt. Items & Tax | 172.85 | 211.97 | 182.19 | 165.83 | 147.05 |
| Interest | 1.80 | 1.59 | 3.04 | 3.87 | 8.09 |
| P/L Before Exceptional Items & Tax | 171.06 | 210.37 | 179.16 | 161.96 | 138.97 |
| P/L Before Tax | 171.06 | 210.37 | 179.16 | 161.96 | 138.97 |
| Tax | 47.26 | 58.91 | 46.11 | 46.06 | 45.41 |
| P/L After Tax from Ordinary Activities | 123.80 | 151.46 | 133.05 | 115.90 | 93.56 |
| Net Profit/(Loss) For the Period | 123.80 | 151.46 | 133.05 | 115.90 | 93.56 |
| Minority Interest | -4.22 | -5.27 | -3.76 | -4.84 | -3.50 |
| Net P/L After M.I & Associates | 119.58 | 146.20 | 129.29 | 111.06 | 90.06 |
| Equity Share Capital | 22.36 | 22.35 | 22.34 | 22.33 | 22.33 |
| Reserves Excluding Revaluation Reserves | 1,057.48 | 945.69 | 813.71 | 652.99 | 536.76 |
| EPS BEFORE EXTRA ORDINARY | | | | | |
| Basic EPS | 10.70 | 13.09 | 11.58 | 9.95 | 8.07 |
| Diluted EPS | 10.68 | 13.07 | 11.56 | 9.94 | 8.06 |
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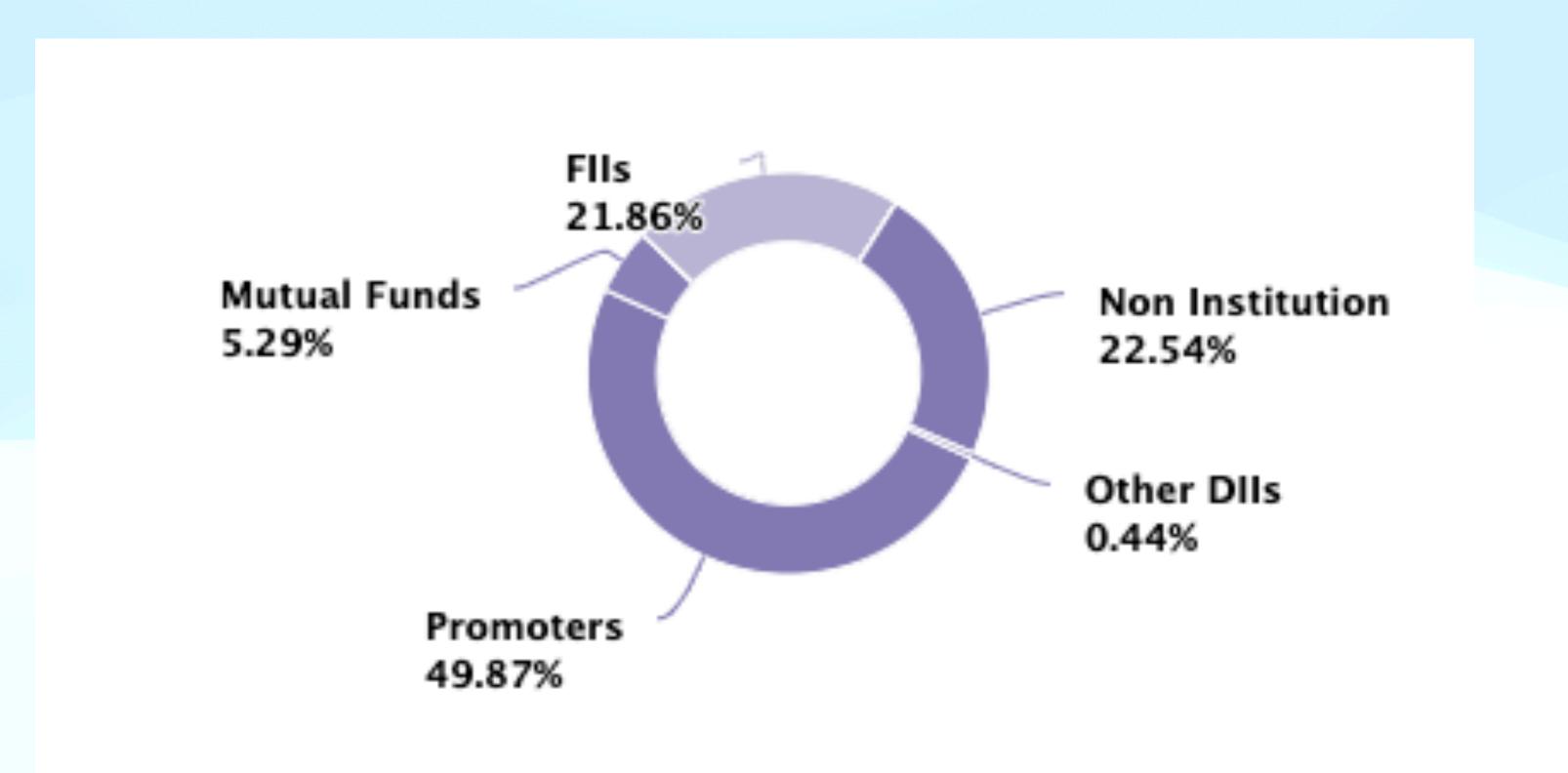


Key Financial Ratios

| KEY FINANCIAL RATIOS OF ADVANCED ENZYME | MAR 22 | MAR 21 | MAR 20 | MAR 19 | MAR 18 |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| TECHNOLOGIES (in Rs. Cr.) | | | | | |
| PER SHARE RATIOS | | | | | |
| Basic EPS (Rs.) | 10.70 | 13.09 | 11.58 | 9.95 | 8.07 |
| Diluted EPS (Rs.) | 10.68 | 13.07 | 11.56 | 9.94 | 8.06 |
| Cash EPS (Rs.) | 14.20 | 16.10 | 14.22 | 12.27 | 10.02 |
| Book Value [ExclRevalReserve]/Share (Rs.) | 102.00 | 92.26 | 77.67 | 63.13 | 52.11 |
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| Revenue from Operations/Share (Rs.) | 47.35 | 44.92 | 39.76 | 37.58 | 35.03 |
| PBDIT/Share (Rs.) | 18.59 | 21.51 | 18.62 | 16.74 | 14.81 |
| PBIT/Share (Rs.) | 15.46 | 18.97 | 16.31 | 14.85 | 13.17 |
| PBT/Share (Rs.) | 15.30 | 18.83 | 16.04 | 14.51 | 12.45 |
| Net Profit/Share (Rs.) | 11.07 | 13.56 | 11.91 | 10.38 | 8.38 |
| NP After MI And SOA / Share (Rs.) | 10.70 | 13.08 | 11.58 | 9.95 | 8.07 |
| PROFITABILITY RATIOS | | | | | |
| PBDIT Margin (%) | 39.26 | 47.89 | 46.84 | 44.55 | 42.28 |
| PBIT Margin (%) | 32.65 | 42.23 | 41.03 | 39.52 | 37.60 |
| PBT Margin (%) | 32.31 | 41.91 | 40.35 | 38.60 | 35.54 |
| Net Profit Margin (%) | 23.38 | 30.18 | 29.96 | 27.62 | 23.92 |
| NP After MI And SOA Margin (%) | 22.58 | 29.13 | 29.12 | 26.46 | 23.03 |
| Return on Networth/Equity (%) | 10.98 | 15.06 | 15.39 | 16.35 | 16.10 |
| Return on Capital Employed (%) | 14.31 | 19.53 | 19.94 | 22.39 | 23.38 |
| Return on Assets (%) | 9.43 | 12.68 | 13.21 | 13.69 | 12.30 |
| Total Debt/Equity (X) | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.10 |
| Asset Turnover Ratio (%) | 0.32 | 43.53 | 45.36 | 51.73 | 53.44 |
| LIQUIDITY RATIOS | | | | | |
| Current Ratio (X) | 10.00 | 7.64 | 5.85 | 4.07 | 2.09 |
| Quick Ratio (X) | 8.00 | 6.25 | 4.62 | 2.98 | 1.36 |
| Inventory Turnover Ratio (X) | 1.30 | 5.35 | 5.55 | 5.46 | 5.17 |
| Dividend Payout Ratio (NP) (%) | 8.41 | 4.58 | 5.18 | 5.02 | 4.95 |
| Dividend Payout Ratio (CP) (%) | 6.50 | 3.83 | 4.32 | 4.22 | 4.12 |
| Earnings Retention Ratio (%) | 91.59 | 95.42 | 94.82 | 94.98 | 95.05 |
| Cash Earnings Retention Ratio (%) | 93.50 | 96.17 | 95.68 | 95.78 | 95.88 |
| COVERAGE RATIOS | | | | | |
| Interest Coverage Ratios (%) | 115.72 | 132.98 | 60.01 | 42.85 | 18.19 |
| Interest Coverage Ratios (Post Tax) (%) | 115.72 | 132.98 | 60.01 | 42.85 | 18.19 |
| VALUATION RATIOS | | | | | |
| Enterprise Value (Cr.) | 2,942.98 | 3,729.91 | 1,560.37 | 2,073.02 | 2,397.10 |
| EV/Net Operating Revenue (X) | 5.56 | 7.43 | 3.51 | 4.94 | 6.13 |
| EV/EBITDA (X) | 14.16 | 15.52 | 7.50 | 11.09 | 14.50 |
| MarketCap/Net Operating Revenue (X) | 5.96 | 7.68 | 3.60 | 4.87 | 6.08 |
| Retention Ratios (%) | 91.58 | 95.41 | 94.81 | 94.97 | 95.04 |
| Price/BV (X) | 2.90 | 3.97 | 1.90 | 3.01 | 4.25 |
| Price/Net Operating Revenue | 5.96 | 7.68 | 3.60 | 4.87 | 6.08 |
| Earnings Yield | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.08 | 0.05 | 0.04 |



Shareholding Pattern an on Mar'23





Summary

- * On quarterly basis, the Company delivered fair performance in Q3 of FY'23, with Net Sales up by 6.40% i.e. Rs.142.11 crs in Dec'22 as compared to Rs.133.56 crs in Dec'21. However, the Net Profits increased by 7.13% i.e. Rs.29.44 crs in Dec'22 versus Rs.27.48 crs in Dec'21.
- * Considering sound financials and its consistent performance, the Company is available at a good price of Rs.258.20 with its 52 week low at Rs.225.00 and 52 week high at Rs.323.75.
- * In view of the Promoters holding majority stake around 49.87% as well as its healthy valuations, it is fair to assume that the Management is committed to growth of the Company.
- * In Public Shareholding as on Mar'23, the FIIs and the Other DIIs collectively stood with 22.30% stake. Whereas, the Mutual Fund Houses own 5.29% holdings in the Company.
- * It is reassuring to see that Advanced Enzyme Technologies Ltd. is held by HDFC MF, ICICI PRU MF and a few more.
- * On consolidated basis, the Company registered Return on Equity (ROE) and Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) around 10.98% & 14.31% respectively as on Mar'22.
- * For the year ending Mar'22, Advanced Enzyme Technologies Ltd. has declared an equity dividend of 50.00% i.e. Re.1.00 per equity share. The Company has a good dividend track report and has consistently declared dividends for the last 5 years.



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