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### FINANCIAL SERVICES

# **Alembic Pharma**

Estimate change	1	CMP: IN
TP change	1	India/e
Rating change		
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Bloomberg	ALPM IN
Equity Shares (m)	189
M.Cap.(INRb)/(USDb)	189.7 / 2.3
52-Week Range (INR)	994 / 462
1, 6, 12 Rel. Per (%)	19/12/58
12M Avg Val (INR M)	196

### Financials & Valuations (INR b)

Y/E MARCH	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Sales	62.5	67.1	74.0
EBITDA	9.2	10.8	12.3
Adj. PAT	5.7	6.8	7.8
EBIT Margin (%)	10.4	12.1	12.8
Cons. Adj. EPS (INR)	29.0	34.8	39.5
EPS Gr. (%)	32.7	20.0	13.6
BV/Sh. (INR)	245.7	274.8	308.7
Ratios			
Net D:E	0.1	0.1	0.0
RoE (%)	12.3	13.2	13.4
RoCE (%)	11.9	12.7	12.9
Payout (%)	20.7	17.3	15.2
Valuations			
P/E (x)	33.3	27.7	24.4
EV/EBITDA (x)	20.4	17.2	14.9
Div. Yield (%)	0.5	0.5	0.5
FCF Yield (%)	0.5	1.0	3.1
EV/Sales (x)	3.0	2.8	2.5

### Shareholding pattern (%)

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CMP: INR965TP: INR910 (-6%)NeutralIndia/export formulation drive earnings

## Work in progress for GLP-1 products

- Alembic Pharma (ALPM) delivered a better-than-expected operational performance in 3QFY24. A healthy show in formulation exports and the domestic formulation (DF) segment supported growth in sales/EBITDA. ALPM continued to improve the base of its US generics business. Robust demand led to strong off-take in non-US exports.
- We raise our earnings estimates by 2%/3%/4% for FY24/FY25/FY26 to factor in a) superior execution in animal healthcare segment, b) new launches and increased reach in non-US exports, c) controlled R&D spending, and d) better operating leverage. We value ALPM at 22x 12M forward earnings to arrive at a TP of INR910.
- Compared to two years of earnings decline over FY21-23, we expect ALPM to end FY24 on a strong note with 12%/33% EBITDA/earnings growth YoY. Further, we expect a 16% earnings CAGR over FY24-26, led by a strong performance in its core markets, DF and exports. However, we maintain our Neutral rating as this earnings upside is adequately captured in the current valuation.

### Increased opex outweighs product mix benefits

- Sales grew 8% YoY to INR16.3b (our est: INR15.9b). DF sales grew 9% YoY to INR6b (37% of sales). Excluding US generics, exports grew 32% YoY to INR2.7b (17% of sales). US generics sales rose 10% YoY to INR4.7b (USD58m; 29% of sales). API sales declined 11% YoY to INR2.9b (18% of sales).
- Gross margin expanded 190bp YoY to 71.7% due to a superior product mix and lower RM costs.
- However, EBITDA margin contracted by 20bp YoY to 16.3%, due to higher employee costs/other expenses (+210/+250bp YoY as % of sales), offset by lower R&D expenses (down 250bp as % of sales).
- Consequently, EBITDA grew 7% YoY to INR2.6b (our est: INR2.3b).
- Adj. PAT grew 37% YoY to INR1.8b (est. INR1.4b) due to lower tax expense.
- For 9MFY24, revenue/EBITDA/PAT grew 11%/13%/34% YoY to INR47b/ INR6.7b/INR4.4b.

### Highlights from the management commentary

- ALPM delivered better-than-industry growth in Gynecology, Gastrointestinal, Anti-Diabetic, and Ophthalmology.
- The company launched 11 products in 3QFY24 and targets to launch five more in the US generics segment in 4QFY24.
- ALPM is also working on GLP-1 products as it also has peptide capability.
- USD57m is the new base for the quarterly sales run rate in the US generics segment.

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## Quarterly perf. (Consol.)

Y/E March		FY2	23			FY2	4E		FY23	FY24E	FY24E	
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4QE			3QE	vs Est
Net Sales	12,621	14,750	15,090	14,065	14,862	15,949	16,309	15,382	56,526	62,502	15,913	2.5%
YoY Change (%)	-4.8	14.1	18.7	-0.7	17.7	8.1	8.1	9.4	6.5	10.6	5.5	
Total Expenditure	11,475	12,423	12,603	11,833	12,874	13,867	13,642	12,931	48,333	53,314	13,590	
EBITDA	1,147	2,328	2,488	2,232	1,987	2,083	2,667	2,451	8,194	9,188	2,323	14.8%
YoY Change (%)	-51.4	-9.5	-2.7	-21.2	73.3	-10.5	7.2	9.8	-17.8	12.1	-6.6	
Margins (%)	9.1	15.8	16.5	15.9	13.4	13.1	16.4	15.9	14.5	14.7	14.6	175.3
Depreciation	521	517	535	741	662	676	695	646	2,314	2,678	630	
EBIT	626	1,811	1,953	1,490	1,325	1,407	1,973	1,804	5,880	11,866	1,693	16.5%
YoY Change (%)	-65.8	-10.6	-2.2	-33.8	111.9	-22.3	8.9	-7.6	-24.2	101.8	-6.5	
Interest	88	124	146	144	144	157	152	143	502	595	138	
Other Income	11	3	4	9	117	102	29	33	27	280	125	
PBT before EO expense	548	1,690	1,811	1,356	1,298	1,352	1,850	1,695	5,405	6,194	1,680	10.1%
Extra-Ord expense	1,150	160	130	110	0	0	0	0	1,550	0	0	
РВТ	-602	1,530	1,681	1,246	1,298	1,352	1,850	1,695	3,855	6,194	1,680	<b>10.1%</b>
Тах	-15	180	326	-364	92	-19	41	320	126	434	210	
Rate (%)	2.5	11.7	19.4	-29.2	7.0	-1.4	2.2	18.9	3.3	7.0	12.5	
MI & P/L of Asso. Cos.	72	17	136	85	0	0	0	60	309	60	0	
Reported PAT	-659	1,334	1,220	1,525	1,207	1,371	1,808	1,315	3,420	5,701	1,470	23.0%
Adj PAT	463	1,475	1,324	1,034	1,207	1,371	1,808	1,315	4,296	5,701	1,470	23.0%
YoY Change (%)	-71.9	-12.9	-24.9	-42.1	160.8	-7.1	36.5	27.2	-37.6	32.7	-0.3	
Margins (%)	3.7	10.0	8.8	7.4	8.1	8.6	11.1	8.5	7.6	9.1	9.2	

## **Key performance Indicators (Consolidated)**

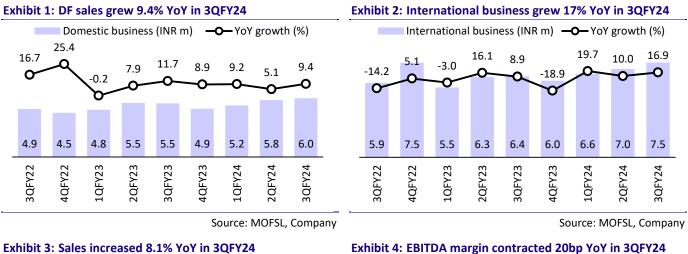
Y/E March		FY2	23			FY2	4F	F	Y23	FY24E
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4QE		
India	4,800	5,490	5,450	4,890	5,240	5,770	5,960	5,547	20,630	22,517
YoY Change (%)	(0.2)	7.9	11.7	8.9	9.2	5.1	9.4	13.4	7.1	9.1
Exports	5,490	6,330	6,380	6,040	6,570	6,960	7,460	6,868	24,240	27,858
YoY Change (%)	(3.0)	16.1	8.9	(18.9)	19.7	10.0	16.9	13.7	(0.7)	14.9
APIs	2,330	2,940	3,260	3,130	3,050	3,220	2,890	2,966	11,660	12,126
YoY Change (%)	(16.5)	23.0	64.6	41.0	30.9	9.5	(11.3)	(5.2)	24.2	4.0
Cost Break-up										
RM Cost (% of Sales)	30.0	30.0	30.2	30.8	27.8	28.9	28.3	28.6	30.2	28.4
Staff Cost (% of Sales)	23.0	19.6	19.3	21.2	23.4	21.8	21.4	21.5	20.7	22.0
R&D Expenses (% of Sales)	11.6	10.3	9.5	8.9	8.0	7.6	7.0	7.5	9.8	7.5
Other Cost (% of Sales)	26.3	24.3	24.5	23.3	27.4	28.7	27.0	26.5	24.8	27.4
Gross Margins (%)	70.0	70.0	69.8	69.2	72.2	71.1	71.7	71.4	69.8	71.6
EBITDA Margins (%)	9.1	15.8	16.5	15.9	13.4	13.1	16.4	15.9	14.5	14.7
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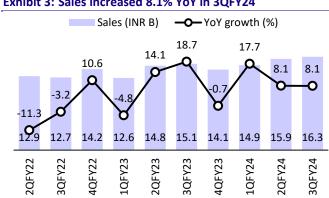


## Key takeaways from the management commentary

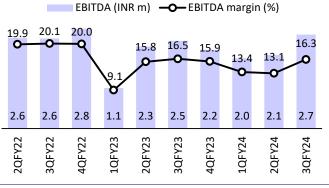
- About 14.6% of its DF portfolio is under NLEM.
- The total number of MRs for its domestic business has been stable at 5,000+ in 9MFY24.
- ETR would be 17-18% for FY25.
- ALPM has gross debt of INR5.2b and cash of INR3.5b at the end of 3QFY24.
- The company has established a new division for animal healthcare (350 headcount), which should help ALPM sustain growth in this segment.

## **Key exhibits**





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## Better capacity utilization to improve profitability going forward

## US: Expansion of niche portfolio to drive growth gradually

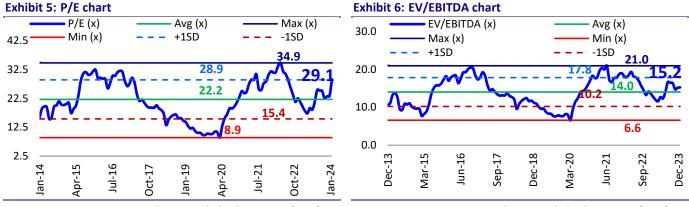
- In 9MFY24, ALPM's US business grew by 4% YoY to USD160m, affected by continued price erosion, which was partially offset by new product launches and market share gains.
- ALPM filed 12 ANDAs in 9MFY24 and launched 15 products in the US market. It plans to launch injectable and oncology products in the US market.
- Further, ALPM intends to grow its ophthalmic and derma portfolio in the US.
- Considering new launches in injectable and a scale-up in existing products, we expect a 13% sales CAGR to USD275m over FY24-26.

## India: Strong growth in chronic/animal health to drive growth

- In 9MFY24, ALPM's overall India business grew 8% YoY to INR17b, driven by a strong performance in the specialty segment and moderate growth in the antiinfective and respiratory segments.
- In specialty, Gynecology delivered a robust growth of 14.2% in 3QFY24 as its key product Isofit registered revenue of INR151m, while other key therapies posted mid-high single digit growth during the quarter.
- In MAT Dec'23, ALPM's prescription base increased by 1% to 131m. Additionally, the company plans to launch key products in 2HFY24, which would enhance growth.
- In 9MFY24, ALPM's animal health segment registered a growth of 23% YoY to INR2.7b. The company is enhancing its efforts in this segment by establishing a new division with 350 MRs.
- We expect a 10% sales CAGR to INR27b over FY24-26.

## **Reiterate Neutral**

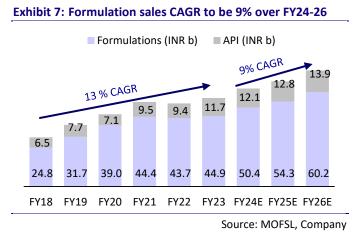
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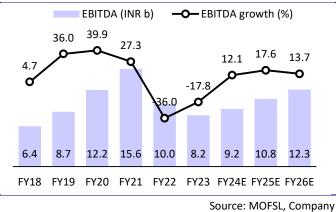
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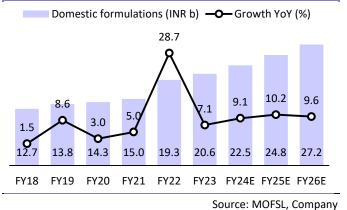
## **Story in charts**



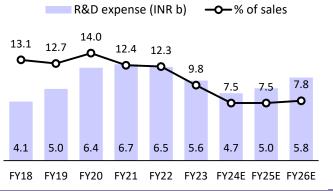
### Exhibit 9: EBITDA CAGR to be 16% during FY24-26





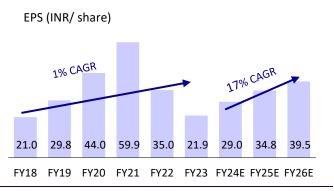


### Exhibit 10: R&D expenses as % of sales to decline



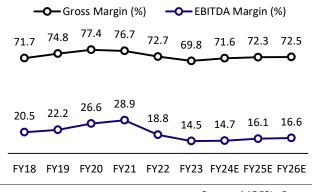
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### Exhibit 12: Earnings CAGR to be 17% over FY24-26



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## **Financials and valuations**

Consolidated - Income Statement								(INRm)
Y/E March	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Net Sales	39,357	46,060	53,931	53 <i>,</i> 058	56,526	62,502	67,124	74,048
Change (%)	25.7	17.0	17.1	-1.6	6.5	10.6	7.4	10.3
EBITDA	8,746	12,233	15,575	9,972	8,194	9,188	10,807	12,292
Change (%)	36.0	39.9	27.3	-36.0	-17.8	12.1	17.6	13.7
Margin (%)	22.2	26.6	28.9	18.8	14.5	14.7	16.1	16.6
Depreciation	1,152	1,573	1,835	2,218	2,314	2,678	2,715	2,833
EBIT	7,594	10,660	13,741	7,754	5,880	6,509	8,092	9,459
Int. and Finance Charges	184	272	160	177	502	595	544	540
Other Income - Rec.	94	49	100	505	27	280	490	530
PBT bef. EO Exp.	7,503	10,437	13,681	8,081	5,405	6,194	8,038	9,448
EO Expense/(Income)	0	436	0	1,880	1,550	0	0	0
PBT after EO Exp.	7,503	10,001	13,681	6,201	3,855	6,194	8,038	9,448
Current Tax	1,781	2,046	2,629	1,279	42	1,425	1,849	2,173
Deferred Tax	-214	-54	-96	-235	84	-991	-723	-567
Tax Rate (%)	20.9	19.9	18.5	16.8	3.3	7.0	14.0	17.0
MI & P/L of Asso. Cos.	82.0	-284.7	-633.5	-300.3	309.2	60.0	69.0	69.0
Reported PAT	5,854	8,294	11,781	5,457	3,420	5,701	6,844	7,773
PAT Adj for EO items	5,854	8,643	11,781	6,889	4,296	5,701	6,844	7,773
Change (%)	41.8	47.7	36.3	-41.5	-37.6	32.7	20.0	13.6
Margin (%)	14.9	18.8	21.8	13.0	7.6	9.1	10.2	10.5
								(10.17)
Consolidated - Balance Sheet								(INRm)
Y/E March	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Equity Share Capital	377	377	393	393	393	393	393	393
Total Reserves	26,811	31,820	50,883	51,982	43,312	47,889	53,619	60,278
Preference Capital	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Worth	27,188	32,197	51,276	52,375	43,705	48,283	54,012	60,671
Minority Interest	-8	-290	-606	0	0	0	0	0
Deferred Liabilities	188	122	42	0	0	-991	-1,714	-2,281
Total Loans	9,284	18,208	2,715	7,021	7,051	6,952	6,854	6,756
Capital Employed	36,652	50,237	53,426	59,397	50,756	54,243	59,152	65,146
Gross Block	15,156	20,700	24,909	27,221	35,532	44,420	49,189	53,842
Less: Accum. Deprn.	3,608	5,181	7,016	9,234	11,548	14,226	16,941	19,774
Net Fixed Assets	11,585	15,518	17,893	17,987	23,985	30,194	32,248	34,068
Capital WIP	15,512	18,462	21,817	23,034	6,013	3,125	3,356	3,702
Total Investments	488	179	2,363	1,184	963	963	963	963
Curr. Assets, Loans&Adv.	20,193	25,734	25,017	29,015	30,868	31,373	34,616	39,549
Inventory	9,673	11,875	14,862	16,097	14,753	14,589	15,282	16,737
Account Receivables	4,889	8,648	3,486	8,071	10,464	10,274	11,034	12,172
Cash and Bank Balance	2,056	808	1,058	694	823	1,583	3,298	5,525
Loans and Advances	3,576	4,404	5,612	4,153	4,828	4,926	5,002	5,115
Curr. Liability & Prov.	11,125	9,656	13,663	11,824	11,073	11,412	12,032	13,137
Account Payables	6,443	6,259	6,688	7,064	6,798	7,062	7,397	8,101
Other Current Liabilities	3,838	2,270	5,601	3,165	2,512	2,777	2,983	3,291
Provisions	844	1,127	1,375	1,595	1,763	1,573	1,652	1,746
Net Current Assets	9,068	16,078	11,354	17,192	19,795	19,961	22,584	26,412
Misc Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Appl. of Funds	36,652	50,238	53,426	59,397	50,756	54,243	59,152	65,146

## **Financials and valuations**

<b>FY19</b> <b>29.8</b> 37.2 144.2 5.5 21.3	FY20 44.0	FY21	FY22				EVACE
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	170.8	260.9	266.5	222.4	245.7	274.8	308.7
21.3	10.0	10.4	10.4	4.2	5.2	5.2	5.2
	27.4	20.1	43.4	27.7	20.7	17.3	15.2
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FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E	(INRm) FY26E
7,493	9,998	13,681	6,201	3,546	6,194	8,038	9,448
1,152	1,573	1,835	2,868	2,754	2,678	2,715	2,833
184	272	160	131	502	315	54	10
1,665	2,361	2,454	1,234	607	1,425	1,849	2,173
1,116	-5,844			-576	594	-908	-1,601
8,281				5,619	8,358	8,050	8,518
-161					0	0	0
8,119	4,491	14,634			8,358	8,050	8,518
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39	23	-1,796	523	-64	0	0	0
	-613	0	17	22	280	490	
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