



BSE SENSEX S&P CNX 82,560 25,279

CMP: INR6,074

TP: INR6,030 (-1%)

Neutral



Stock Info

Bloomberg	ALKEM IN
Equity Shares (m)	120
M.Cap.(INRb)/(USDb)	726.2 / 8.7
52-Week Range (INR)	6203 / 3440
1, 6, 12 Rel. Per (%)	12/6/38
12M Avg Val (INR M)	1309
Free Float (%)	43.6

Financials Snapshot (INR b)

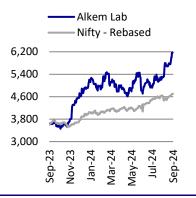
Y/E March	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Sales	126.7	133.6	147.8
EBITDA	22.5	25.8	30.0
Adj. PAT	19.1	21.3	24.3
EBIT Margin (%)	15.4	16.8	18.0
Cons. Adj. EPS (INR)	159.7	178.1	202.9
EPS Gr. (%)	50.6	11.6	13.9
BV/Sh. (INR)	862.6	1,000.6	1,157.8
Ratios			
Net D:E	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
RoE (%)	19.7	19.1	18.8
RoCE (%)	18.3	17.8	17.6
Payout (%)	22.5	22.5	22.5
Valuations			
P/E (x)	38.0	34.1	29.9
EV/EBITDA (x)	32.3	27.8	23.7
Div. Yield (%)	0.5	0.6	0.6
FCF Yield (%)	2.4	1.3	1.4
EV/Sales (x)	5.7	5.4	4.8

Shareholding Pattern (%)

As On	Jun-24	Mar-24	Jun-23
Promoter	56.4	56.7	57.2
DII	18.6	15.6	16.3
FII	8.7	9.1	5.6
Others	16.4	18 5	20.9

FII includes depository receipts.

Stock Performance (One-year)



Focusing on profitable growth across segments

We met with the ALKEM management to gain a deeper understanding of the business outlook:

- With an established presence in the Domestic Formulation (DF) segment and exports, ALKEM is boosting its growth prospects in the bio-CDMO and med-tech segments. The overall investment in the bio-CDMO segment is expected to be ~INR14b.
- ALKEM's revamped strategy for the DF segment is yielding improved results with potential for higher growth in the chronic space and reduction in MR attrition.
- Considering a) the extended benefit of lower API prices, b) improved productivity, and c) investments in other initiatives (CDMO/Med-tech), we value ALKEM at 27x 12M forward earnings to arrive at a TP of INR6,030.
- Having said that, we believe the current valuation adequately reflects a 13% earnings CAGR for FY24-FY26E. Maintain Neutral.

New initiatives (CDMO/med-tech) into investment mode

- After establishing R&D/manufacturing capabilities for biosimilars in India, ALKEM seeks to set up a manufacturing plant in the US to provide CDMO services.
- The investment will be ~INR4b-INR4.5b and the plant is expected to be operational by 4QFY25.
- Besides, ALKEM has invested INR10b to date in Enzene.
- The company has implemented appropriate measures to cater to innovator customers for biologics as well as biosimilars.
- Its biologics segment records annual sales of around INR2.6b (largely domestic) and has recently achieved EBITDA break-even. Semaglutide is expected to be the focus product for ALKEM.
- Its med-tech venture is expected to be asset-light with less than INR2b investment over the medium term.
- The products are in-licensed and manufacturing is outsourced in the medtech segment. The overall annual Opex is expected to be INR350m-INR400m.
- Given ALKEM's surgery-related portfolio in the anti-infective space, the investment in this segment is expected to enhance the overall hospital offerings.

Strategic reset yielding improved results in the DF segment

- The DF segment has implemented a new strategy that includes a) changes in the MR incentive scheme, b) focus on top 50-100 brands, c) day-1 launches in the chronic space, and d) digital intervention to improve the efficiency of MRs and enhance service offerings.
- Notably, the attrition rate has reduced by 5% post the implementation of the revised strategy.

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- The gross margin of chronic/acute portfolio is typically 72-80%/55%-65%. While investment continues to remain higher in the chronic space, the profitability is not dilutive in the DF segment.
- The trade generics segment has experienced a slowdown at the industry level, leading to relatively lower growth prospects.

Reassessing the US generics segment with a greater focus on profitability

■ The portfolio selection strategy has been revised with enhanced focus on product-specific economics. The near-term growth may be impacted due to increased efforts toward margin improvement.

Other key highlights

- ALKEM expects 100bp margin expansion in the base business. This would be offset by higher Opex toward new initiatives. As a result, ALKEM is likely to reiterate its significant EBITDA margin of 18% for FY25.
- The company has experienced an increase in Pen-G prices in the recent past.

Valuation and view

- ALKEM has recorded 18% CAGR earnings over FY18-FY24 and is further expected to deliver healthy growth of 13% over FY24-FY26, led by the 260bp margin expansion. Although ALKEM has a strong presence in the DF and exports markets, it is further investing in biosimilar/CDMO/Med-tech segments. Additionally, it is exploring inorganic opportunities with surplus cash of INR38.5b.
- We value ALKEM at 27x 12M forward earnings to arrive at a price target of INR6,030. We maintain a neutral stance on the stock due to limited upside potential from current levels.

Exhibit 1: Valuation snapshot

		MCap		EPS (INR))	EPS Gr.	YoY (%)	PE	(x)	EV/EBI	TDA (x)		RoE (%)	
Company	Reco	(USD B)	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY25E	FY26E	FY25E	FY26E	FY25E	FY26E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Ajanta Pharma	Buy	4.9	62.3	75.8	88.1	21.7	16.0	42.2	36.3	30.2	26.2	22.7	24.5	23.8
Alembic Pharma	Neutral	2.4	31.5	37.6	41.5	19.7	10.3	28.4	25.8	17.1	15.3	13.5	14.3	13.9
Alkem Lab	Neutral	8.8	159.7	178.1	202.9	11.6	13.9	34.1	29.9	29.5	25.6	19.7	19.1	18.8
Aurobindo Pharma	Neutral	11.0	56.0	66.3	73.8	18.3	11.3	23.4	21.0	12.6	11.5	11.6	12.3	12.2
Biocon	Neutral	5.1	1.8	5.0	10.4	180.0	106.1	71.9	34.9	16.1	12.5	1.1	3.0	5.9
Cipla	Buy	15.9	52.5	58.7	65.6	11.9	11.7	28.0	25.1	18.4	16.0	15.9	15.4	14.9
Divi's Lab	Neutral	16.1	60.0	77.7	95.1	29.6	22.4	64.8	52.9	45.9	38.3	12.1	14.4	15.9
Dr Reddy's Labs	Neutral	13.9	317.1	353.8	389.0	11.6	9.9	19.4	17.7	11.8	9.9	20.7	19.1	17.7
Eris Lifescience	Neutral	2.3	29.2	30.4	42.0	4.0	38.0	46.6	33.8	17.6	15.3	16.8	15.2	18.2
Gland Pharma	Buy	3.6	47.6	56.1	67.8	17.8	20.9	32.7	27.0	18.5	15.3	9.4	10.1	10.9
Glenmark Pharma	Buy	5.8	2.5	47.5	59.2	1812.8	24.6	35.5	28.5	19.2	15.9	0.8	15.8	16.8
Glaxosmit Pharma	Neutral	5.5	43.3	47.3	51.5	9.2	8.9	58.8	54.0	43.4	39.4	41.3	38.0	34.7
Granules India	Buy	2.1	17.4	24.0	31.9	38.5	32.5	28.4	21.5	16.9	13.7	13.9	16.6	18.6
Ipca Labs	Neutral	4.2	20.8	33.5	44.4	61.3	32.6	41.2	31.0	21.8	18.3	8.7	12.7	15.0
Laurus Labs	Buy	3.0	3.0	7.2	12.9	139.9	78.2	63.9	35.9	24.3	18.4	4.0	9.1	14.7
Lupin	Neutral	12.1	41.5	59.2	69.9	42.4	18.2	37.7	31.9	22.1	18.6	14.1	17.3	17.4
Mankind Pharma	Buy	11.9	47.8	54.5	62.4	14.1	14.6	43.9	38.3	32.0	27.2	22.8	21.4	20.9
Piramal Pharma	Buy	3.0	0.4	2.5	5.1	497.1	103.1	77.1	38.0	19.4	14.7	0.8	4.1	7.9
Sun Pharma.Inds.	Buy	52.0	41.4	49.3	58.4	19.1	18.4	36.8	31.1	29.3	24.8	16.7	17.3	17.6
Torrent Pharma	Neutral	14.1	47.1	63.4	82.0	34.6	29.3	54.1	41.8	29.6	24.8	24.4	28.5	30.5
Zydus LifeScience	Neutral	13.5	37.6	43.9	47.3	16.5	7.9	25.3	23.5	17.0	15.4	20.3	19.6	17.4

Source: MOFSL, Company

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Exhibit 2: PAN/AtoZN's/Pipzol/Uprise D3 growing faster despite their high base

			MAT Jul'24		Gro	wth (%)
Drug	Therapy	Value (INR m)	Growth (%)	Market Share (%)	Last 3M	Jul'24
Total		88,896	6.5	100	7.6	8.0
Pan	Gastro Intestinal	6,379	12.3	44.0	13.4	9.1
Clavam	Anti-infectives	6,069	-0.9	13.9	5.5	3.5
Pan-D	Gastro Intestinal	5,633	17.8	33.9	25.5	23.6
Taxim-O	Anti-infectives	3,268	5.4	18.3	18.1	18.6
A To Z Ns	VMN	2,993	12.4	11.8	18.6	18.6
Xone	Anti-infectives	2,696	5.3	16.1	7.5	-0.2
Pipzo	Anti-infectives	2,123	26.8	23.4	30.1	30.5
Uprise-D3	VMN	1,929	31.7	17.8	26.8	43.0
Gemcal	VMN	1,807	-0.4	18.6	-2.6	-4.6
Taxim	VMN	1,783	-2.2	80.3	9.9	18.0

Source: MOFSL, Company, IQVIA

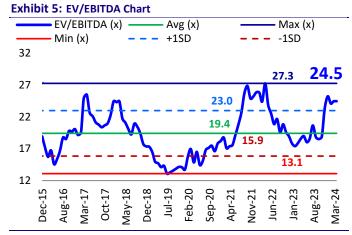
Exhibit 3: Gastro/VMN/Anti-diabetic driving the overall growth for ALKEM

	Share	MAT Growth (%)	3M*	Jul'24
Total	100.0	6.5	7.6	8.0
Anti-infectives	35.5	1.8	3.7	4.4
Gastro Intestinal	19.5	11.5	14.1	12.0
Vitamins/Minerals/Nutrients	10.9	12.4	13.4	16.7
Pain/Analgesics	10.6	3.6	2.5	1.6
Anti-diabetic	4.6	15.4	7.7	13.5
Gynaec.	3.9	4.8	6.9	3.4

Source: MOFSL, Company

Exhibit 4: PE Chart P/E (x) Avg (x) Max (x) - -1SD Min (x) +1SD 44 37.5 36 29.9 28 24.3 20 15.9 12 Dec-15 Apr-22 Jan-23 Aug-24 Jul-17 Feb-19 Dec-19 Sep-20 Nov-23 **May-18** Jul-21

Source: MOFSL, Company



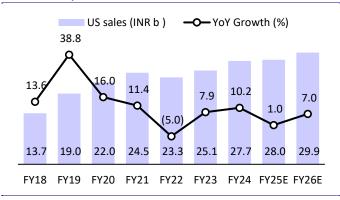
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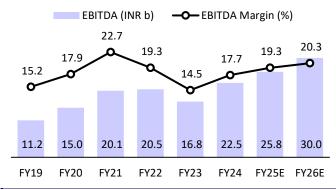
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Story in charts

Exhibit 6: Expected 4% sales CAGR in the US over FY24-FY26E Exhibit 7: EBITDA margin to expand 260bp over FY24-26



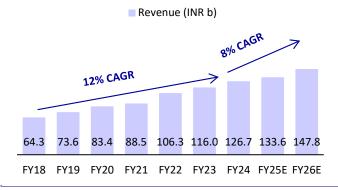


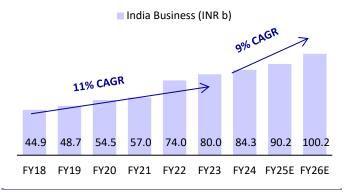
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Exhibit 8: Expected revenue CAGR of 8% over FY24-26

Exhibit 9: Expected India sales CAGR of 9% over FY24-FY26





Source: Company, MOFSL

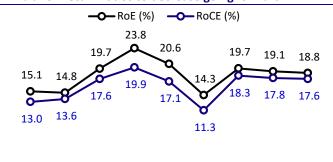
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Exhibit 10: Return ratios to decrease going forward

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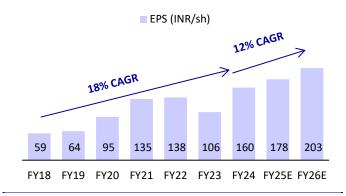
FY20 FY21



FY22

FY23

Exhibit 11: Expected earnings CAGR of 12% over FY24-FY26



Source: Company, MOFSL

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FY24 FY25E FY26E

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Financials and valuations

Y/E March	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Total Income from Operations	73,572	83,444	88,505	1,06,342	1,15,993	1,26,676	1,33,585	1,47,776
Change (%)	14.4	13.4	6.1	20.2	9.1	9.2	5.5	10.6
Total Expenditure	62,401	68,484	68,426	85,813	99,198	1,04,221	1,07,803	1,17,778
% of Sales	84.8	82.1	77.3	80.7	85.5	82.3	80.7	79.7
EBITDA	11,171	14,960	20,079	20,529	16,795	22,455	25,782	29,999
Margin (%)	15.2	17.9	22.7	19.3	14.5	17.7	19.3	20.3
Depreciation	1,932	2,348	2,746	3,040	3,104	2,993	3,313	3,455
EBIT	9,239	12,612	17,333	17,490	13,690	19,462	22,469	26,544
Int. and Finance Charges	546	651	589	524	1,074	1,124	968	898
Other Income	877	1,042	1,867	1,627	2,161	3,108	3,470	4,175
PBT bef. EO Exp.	9,570	13,004	18,611	18,592	14,778	21,446	24,971	29,821
EO Items	-23	-406	-190	-150	-1,730	-1,215	0	0
PBT after EO Exp.	9,547	12,598	18,421	18,443	13,048	20,231	24,971	29,821
Current Tax	1,810	1,105	2,243	1,640	2,980	2,117	3,496	5,368
Deferred Tax	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tax Rate (%)	19.0	8.8	12.2	8.9	22.8	10.5	14.0	18.0
Less: Minority Interest	131	222	328	300	226	157	177	200
Reported PAT	7,606	11,271	15,850	16,503	9,842	17,958	21,297	24,253
Adjusted PAT	7,629	11,407	16,100	16,516	12,678	19,091	21,297	24,253
Change (%)	8.4	49.5	41.1	2.6	-23.2	50.6	11.6	13.9
Margin (%)	10.4	13.7	18.2	15.5	10.9	15.1	15.9	16.4
Consolidated - Balance Sheet								INR m
Y/E March	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E

Consolidated - Balance Sheet								INR m
Y/E March	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Equity Share Capital	239	239	239	239	239	239	239	239
Total Reserves	54,154	61,368	73,528	86,140	90,214	1,02,882	1,19,384	1,38,176
Net Worth	54,393	61,607	73,767	86,379	90,453	1,03,121	1,19,623	1,38,415
Minority Interest	1,326	1,483	1,813	2,094	3,897	4,023	4,023	4,023
Deferred Tax Liabilities	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Loans	9,026	16,628	17,336	26,466	13,775	14,032	14,032	14,032
Capital Employed	64,748	79,717	92,916	1,14,939	1,08,125	1,21,176	1,37,679	1,56,471
Gross Block	26,000	30,354	32,376	35,948	36,835	43,260	46,280	49,685
Less: Accum. Deprn.	4,944	7,291	10,037	13,077	16,181	19,174	22,487	25,941
Net Fixed Assets	21,056	23,063	22,339	22,871	20,654	24,086	23,793	23,744
Goodwill on Consolidation	4,248	6,017	5,591	6,146	4,796	4,642	4,642	4,642
Capital WIP	4,930	3,630	3,933	3,395	3,103	1,586	2,068	2,165
Total Investments	3,236	2,614	3,328	3,710	6,218	4,838	4,838	4,838
Curr. Assets, Loans & Adv.	41,535	54,784	68,923	91,477	89,770	1,05,449	1,22,052	1,44,440
Inventory	14,999	18,188	23,124	30,055	26,075	26,612	30,421	33,236
Account Receivables	12,484	16,494	16,072	18,846	21,322	22,528	26,351	33,604
Cash and Bank Balance	6,616	10,922	19,905	25,786	25,786	15,694	22,449	30,219
Loans and Advances	7,437	9,180	9,822	16,790	16,587	40,616	42,831	47,381
Curr. Liability & Prov.	17,334	19,716	22,277	25,753	29,442	34,572	34,862	38,505
Account Payables	9,623	9,541	10,694	11,734	11,650	17,481	13,882	15,166
Other Current Liabilities	4,436	6,108	6,709	7,955	10,370	12,824	13,523	14,960
Provisions	3,275	4,067	4,874	6,064	7,421	4,267	7,457	8,379
Net Current Assets	24,202	35,068	46,647	65,725	60,329	70,877	87,190	1,05,935
Deferred Tax assets	7,076	9,326	11,079	13,093	13,025	15,148	15,148	15,148
Appl. of Funds	64,748	79,717	92,916	1,14,939	1,08,125	1,21,177	1,37,679	1,56,471

E: MOFSL Estimates

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Financials and valuations

Ratios								
Y/E March	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Basic (INR)								
EPS	63.8	95.4	134.7	138.1	106.0	159.7	178.1	202.9
Cash EPS	80.0	115.1	157.6	163.6	132.0	184.7	205.9	231.8
BV/Share	455	515	617	723	757	863	1,001	1,158
DPS	15.0	17.9	27.8	27.6	16.5	28.5	33.8	38.5
Payout (%)	28.5	22.5	24.9	23.7	23.7	22.5	22.5	22.5
Valuation (x)								
P/E	95.2	63.7	45.1	44.0	57.3	38.0	34.1	29.9
Cash P/E	75.9	52.8	38.5	37.1	46.0	32.9	29.5	26.2
P/BV	13.3	11.8	9.8	8.4	8.0	7.0	6.1	5.2
EV/Sales	9.9	8.8	8.2	6.8	6.2	5.7	5.4	4.8
EV/EBITDA	65.2	48.9	36.0	35.4	42.5	32.3	27.8	23.7
Dividend Yield (%)	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.6
FCF per share	21.1	19.9	90.4	65.5	121.5	147.3	77.2	84.9
Return Ratios (%)								
RoE	14.8	19.7	23.8	20.6	14.3	19.7	19.1	18.8
RoCE	13.6	17.6	19.9	17.1	11.3	18.3	17.8	17.6
RoIC	15.8	20.5	23.7	21.6	13.6	20.3	18.6	19.1
Working Capital Ratios								
Fixed Asset Turnover (x)	2.8	2.7	2.7	3.0	3.1	2.9	2.9	3.0
Asset Turnover (x)	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9
Inventory (Days)	74	80	95	103	82	77	83	82
Debtor (Days)	62	72	66	65	67	65	72	83
Creditor (Days)	48	42	44	40	37	50	38	37
Working Cap. Turnover (Days)	87	106	110	137	109	159	177	187
Leverage Ratio (x)	2.4	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.4	2.5	2.0
Current Ratio Interest Cover Ratio	2.4 16.9	2.8 19.4	3.1 29.4	3.6 33.4	3.0 12.8	3.1 17.3	3.5 23.2	3.8 29.6
Debt/Equity	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Debt/Equity	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Consolidated - Cash Flow Statement								INR m
Y/E March	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
OP/(Loss) before Tax	9,547	12,598	18,421	18,443	13,048	20,231	24,971	29,821
Depreciation	1,932	2,528	2,746	3,040	3,104	2,993	3,313	3,455
Interest & Finance Charges	134	19	-312	-703	1,074	1,124	-2,502	-3,277
Direct Taxes Paid	-2,511	-2,834	-4,007	-3,969	-2,734	-4,069	-3,496	-5,368
(Inc)/Dec in WC	-1,403	-6,472	-3,412	-5,450	3,268	-516	-9,558	-10,974
CF from Operations	7,698	5,839	13,436	11,361	17,759	19,763	12,728	13,656
Others	98	12	-787	-250	-934	-281	0	0
CF from Operating incl EO	7,797	5,851	12,649	11,110	16,825	19,482	12,728	13,656
(Inc)/Dec in FA	-5,269	-3,477	-1,845	-3,280	-2,297	-1,868	-3,502	-3,502
Free Cash Flow	2,527	2,374	10,805	7,830	14,528	17,614	9,226	10,154
(Pur)/Sale of Investments	1,235	458	3	-12,051	1,955	-10,612	0	0
Others	871	-4,395	-8,144	980	1,471	2,395	3,470	4,175
CF from Investments	-3,164	-7,414	-9,985	-14,351	1,128	-10,085	-32	673
Inc/(Dec) in Debt	-1,057	6,031	1,397	8,628	-11,408	-5,132	0	0
Interest Paid	-546	-651	-536	-401	-905	-913	-968	-898
Dividend Paid	-2,186	-4,396	-3,348	-4,219	-5,295	-5,405	-4,795	-5,460
CF from Fin. Activity	-3,789	791	-2,718	3,796	-16,388	-19,489	-5,941	-6,559
Inc/Dec of Cash	843	-771	-54	555	1,565	-10,093	6,755	7,770
Opening Balance	1,667	2,490	1,759	1,705	2,297	3,862	-6,231	525
Add/(less) Forex diff in Cash and Cash eq	-20	40		37				
Closing Cash and Cash Eq.	2,490	1,759	1,705	2,297	3,862	-6,231	525	8,295
Bank Balances	4,126	9,163	18,199	23,489	21,924	21,924	21,924	21,924
Total Cash and Cash Eq.	6,616	10,922	19,905	25,786	25,786	15,694	22,449	30,219

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