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Auto & Auto Ancillary Q4FY24 Preview

Likely to see good margin expansion QoQ in Passenger vehicle segments

Auto Preview for Q4FY24									
Ashok Leyland (Mn)	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	YoY	QoQ				
Net Revenue	1,13,440	92,730	1,16,257	-2%	22.3%				
EBITDA	15,020	11,139	12,757	18%	35%				
EBITDA Margin	13.2%	12.0%	11.0%	227bps	123bps				
PAT	9,075	5,804	7,137	27%	56%				
Rating: Buy	CMP : INR 176	TP: INR 208		Р	E:15.8x (FY26e)				

We expect revenue to decline by 2% YoY in Q4FY24 led by 5% YoY decline in volume. It is expected that the EBITDA margin expansion led by softer RM cost and cost cutting intiatives.

Bajaj Auto (INR Mn.)	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	ΥοΥ	QoQ
Net Revenue	1,10,955	1,21,135	89,047	25%	-8%
EBITDA	21,915	24,299	17,166	28%	-10%
EBITDA Margin	19.8%	20.1%	19.3%	47bps	-31bps
PAT	17,350	20,419	14,329	21%	-15%
Rating: Accumulate	CMP : INR 9006	TP: INR 8096	PE:28.7x (FY26e)		

In Q4FY24, Despite favourable volume growth and stable RM cost, the mix of EV has increased in the portfolio which could suppress the EBITDA margin expansion to 47bps YoY.

Hero Motocorp INR (Mn)	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	YoY	QoQ
Net Revenue	93,550	94,454	83,068	13%	-1%
EBITDA	13,252	13,283	10,830	22%	0%
EBITDA Margin	14.2%	14.1%	13.0%	113bps	10bps
РАТ	10,315	10,538	8,589	20%	-2%
Rating: Accumulate	CMP : INR 4495	TP: INR 5603		Р	E:17.9x (FY26e)

In Q4FY24, a projected 13% YoY revenue increase is driven by an ~10% YoY volume growth, propelled by High ASP. However, the EBITDA margin is anticipated to increased by 10 bps QoQ, primarily due to a favorable product mix and, partially offset by operating leverage benefits, price hikes, and reduced advertising spending.

Mahindra & Mahindra (Mn)	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	YoY	QoQ
Net Revenue	2,43,512	2,52,885	2,25,714	8%	-4%
EBITDA	30,514	32,364	27,974	9%	-6%
EBITDA Margin	12.5%	12.8%	12.4%	14bps	-27bps
РАТ	21,812	24,540	20,680	5%	-11%
Rating: Accumulate	CMP : INR 1630	TP: INR 2143	PE:19.7x (FY26e)		

Expecting a 8% YoY revenue increase in Q4FY24, driven by a >13.4% YoY surge in automotive segment revenues partially offset by Tractor volume. Projected stable overall EBITDA margin is influenced by a more lucrative segmental mix and operating leverage benefits.

Maruti Suzuki (Mn)	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	YoY	QoQ
Net Revenue	3,88,382	3,33,087	3,20,480	21%	17%
EBITDA	49,265	39,079	33,503	47%	26%
EBITDA Margin	12.7%	11.7%	10.5%	223bps	95bps
РАТ	38,840	31,300	26,236	48%	24%
Rating: Accumulate	CMP · INR 12683	TP. INR 14611		P	E: 22.5x (EV26e)

Anticipating a 21% YoY revenue upswing in Q4FY24, driven by an 13.4% YoY volume rise. However, we estimate a 150 bps QoQ decline in EBITDA margins to 11.5%, influenced by negative operating leverage, increased festive season discounts, reversal of finished goods inventory, and a less favorable product mix, including a 200 bps decline in the SUV segment's contribution in 3QFY24.

TVS Motors (INR Mn.)	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	YoY	QoQ
Net Revenue	80,260	82,450	66,048	22%	-3%
EBITDA	9,040	9,244	6,798	33%	-2%
EBITDA Margin	11.3%	11.2%	10.3%	97bps	5bps
РАТ	5,380	5,204	4,103	31%	3%
Rating: Neutral	CMP : INR 2011.9	TP: INR 1,661		l i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	PE: 32x (FY26e)

In Q4FY24, we foresee a 22% YoY revenue boost, propelled by a 22.4% volume surge We also expect a expansion of 97bps YoY in EBITDA margin, driven by operating leverage benefits and a more profitable product mix.

Source: Arihant Research

Auto & Auto Ancillary Sector Q4FY24 Preview

Auto Ancillary Preview for Q4FY24								
Sandhar Technologies	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	YoY	QoQ			
Net Revenue	9,231	8,895	7,650	21%	4%			
EBITDA	972	886	675	44%	10%			
EBITDA Margin	10.53%	9.96%	8.82%	170bps	57bps			
РАТ	353	254	247	43%	39%			
Rating: Buy	CMP : INR 513	TP: INR 573		PE:12.04x (FY26e)				

We anticipate a 4% QoQ revenue growth. The company is focusing on development of EV product such as DC-DC converters, EV chargers, and motor controllers. New products in the EV space are set to launch in the Q1FY25 There is a focus on margin improvement, aiming for double-digit margins in FY25.

Suprajit Engineering	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	ΥοΥ	QoQ
Net Revenue	7,731	7,242	6,990	11%	7%
EBITDA	960	873	871	10%	10%
EBITDA Margin	12.42%	12.05%	12.46%	-4bps	37bps
РАТ	464	402	410	13%	15%
Rating: Buy	CMP : INR 431	TP: INR 475		PE:22.20x (FY26e)	

We anticipate a 7% QoQ revenue growth, driven by strong performance in the passenger vehicle business for the Domestic Cable Division. The Phoenix Lamps Division is targeting double-digit EBITDA margins and margin improvement. There is a focus on braking systems, actuator systems, and digital clusters.

Rating: Buy	CMP : INR 368	TP	: INR 481	PI	E:18.51x (FY26e)
РАТ	441	412	338	31%	7%
EBITDA Margin	8.68%	8.61%	7.11%	157bps	7bps
EBITDA	722	702	524	38%	3%
Net Revenue	8,318	8,154	7,370	13%	2%
Gabriel India	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	YoY	QoQ

We anticipate a 2% QoQ revenue growth. The company foresees sustained growth in the two-wheeler industry, targeting double-digit revenue growth in FY25. Regarding OEM partnerships, Gabriel is presently concentrated on supplying sunroof components for Hyundai Creta and Kia's new platform, with potential expansion into additional models in the future.

Sansera Engineering	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	YoY	QoQ
Net Revenue	7,235	7,126	6,186	17%	2%
EBITDA	1,230	1,207	962	28%	2%
EBITDA Margin	17.0%	16.9%	15.5%	146bps	6bps
РАТ	495	484	354	40%	2%
Rating: Buy	CMP : INR 1046	TP:	INR 1198	Р	E:15.7x (FY26e)

We expect to revenue grow by 11% YoY for the Q2FY24 is a remarkable 20% YoY surge in consolidated revenues. This surge will primarily be propelled by a substantial single-digit upturn in domestic 2W production volumes. Notably, the expected increase in production volumes by Bajaj Auto in the upcoming quarter will play a pivotal role in driving this growth.

CIE Automotive	Q1CY24E	Q4CY23A	Q1CY23A	ΥοΥ	QoQ
Net Revenue	23,623	22,400	24,400	-3%	5%
EBITDA	3,529	3,270	3,810	-7%	8%
EBITDA Margin	14.9%	14.6%	15.6%	-68bps	34bps
PAT	1,878	1,770	2,203	-15%	6%
Rating: Accumulate	CMP : INR 476	TP: INR 601		PE: 15x (CY25e)	

Anticipating a 6% increase in consolidated revenues in 4QCY23, driven by higher EU PV production and Metalcastello business growth. Expecting a 74 bps rise in consolidated EBITDA margin to 17.6%, mainly attributed to operating leverage benefits. This projection factors in increased 2W and tractor production volumes, partially offset by lower PV production.

Mayur Uniquoters	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	YoY	QoQ
Net Revenue	2,026	1,783	1,932	5%	14%
EBITDA	404	354	249	62%	14%
EBITDA Margin	19.94%	19.84%	12.88%	707bps	11bps
PAT	327	273	234	40%	19.9%
Rating: Accumulate	CMP : INR 520	TP: INR 612		PE: 13.29x (FY26e)	

We anticipate a 14% QoQ revenue growth, with an anticipated gradual increase in exports in Q4. New orders have been received for OEM supplies for new models, reflecting efforts to capture new customers and expand market reach. Additionally, there is a focus on diversifying the customer base and entering new markets.

Source: Arihant Research

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Rane Holdings	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	ΥοΥ	QoQ
Net Revenue	9,121	8,370	9,377	-3%	9%
EBITDA	1,076	900	1,038	4%	20%
EBITDA Margin	11.80%	10.75%	11.06%	74bps	105bps
PAT	548	480	-81	780%	14%
CMP · INR 1 130		TP. INR 1 323		P	E: 8.37x (EY26e)

We anticipate a 9% QoQ revenue growth. The company is focusing on expanding its export business in segments such as ball joints, rack and pinion, hydraulic components, and aluminum die casting. Additionally, the company is gradually expanding into the brake shoe market, initially focusing on the aftermarket segment.

Alicon Castalloy	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	ΥοΥ	QoQ
Net Revenue	4,426	4,050	3,193	39%	9%
EBITDA	577	522	317	82%	11%
EBITDA Margin	13.04%	12.89%	9.94%	310bps	15bps
PAT	288	167	97	197%	72%
Rating: Buy	CMP : INR 849	TP: INR 1.479		P	PF: 9.4x (FY26e)

In Q4FY24, we expact a growth of 9% QoQ led by strong growth outlook. The EBITDA margin is expected to expand by 15 basis points YoY, primarily due to the easing of raw material costs and good demand.

SSWL	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	YoY	QoQ
Net Revenue	11,392	11,103	10,049	13%	3%
EBITDA	1,220	1,167	1,085	12%	5%
EBITDA Margin	10.71%	10.51%	10.79%	-8bps	20bps
PAT	565	594	473	19%	-5%
Rating: Buy	CMP : INR 275	TP: INR 410		PE: 13.15x (FY26e)	

In Q4FY24, we expact a growth of 13% YoY led by performance improvement. The EBITDA margin is expected to expand by 20 YoY, primarily due to the easing of raw material costs.

SJS Enterprise	Q4FY24E	Q3FY24A	Q4FY23A	YoY	QoQ
Net Revenue	1,069	1,068	1,066	0.3%	0.1%
EBITDA	246	249	240	2%	-1%
EBITDA Margin	23.02%	23.32%	22.52%	50bps	-30bps
PAT	127	154	193	-34%	-17%
Rating: Buy	CMP : INR 477	TP: INR 601		PE:12.35x (FY26e)	

In Q4FY24, we expect a flattish growth YoY. The EBITDA margin is expected to expand by 50 basis points YoY, primarily due to the easing of raw material costs.

Source: Arihant Research

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