

Colgate

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Bloomberg	CLGT IN
Equity Shares (m)	272
M.Cap.(INRb)/(USDb)	589.2 / 6.2
52-Week Range (INR)	2505 / 1782
1, 6, 12 Rel. Per (%)	7/7/0
12M Avg Val (INR M)	1052

Financials & Valuations (INR b)

Y/E March	2026	2027E	2028E
Sales	60.4	66.5	71.2
Sales Gr. (%)	-0.1	10.2	7.1
EBITDA	18.7	20.8	22.8
EBITDA Margin (%)	31.0	31.4	32.1
Adj. PAT	13.4	15.1	16.6
Adj. EPS (INR)	49.4	55.5	61.2
EPS Gr. (%)	-3.8	12.4	10.2
BV/Sh.(INR)	58.2	63.8	73.0

Ratios

RoE (%)	82.7	91.0	89.5
RoCE (%)	83.1	91.3	89.7
Payout (%)	97.2	90.0	85.0

Valuation

P/E (x)	44.0	39.1	35.5
P/BV (x)	37.3	34.1	29.8
EV/EBITDA (x)	30.9	27.7	25.1
Div. Yield (%)	2.2	2.3	2.4

Shareholding Pattern (%)

As On	Jun-26	Mar-26	Jun-25
Promoter	51.0	51.0	51.0
DII	15.8	15.5	9.6
FII	13.6	13.6	20.4
Others	19.6	19.9	19.0

FII includes depository receipts

CMP: INR2,166 TP: INR2,500 (+15%) Buy

Double-digit revenue growth; a positive start to FY27

- Colgate (CLGT) delivered 12% YoY revenue growth to INR16.0b (est. INR15.6b, 2-yr CAGR 3.5%) in 1QFY27. The company registered double-digit revenue growth after six quarters with a healthy high-single-digit volume growth (est. 4.5%). Growth was broad-based across its core and premium portfolio and was balanced between pricing and volume.
- Dabur's oral care delivered high-single-digit growth, while HUVR's oral care delivered mid-single-digit revenue growth in 1QFY27.
- Gross margin expanded 100bp YoY to 70% (est. 69%), with the gains reinvested into brand building and premiumization initiatives. Consequently, ad spending increased 34% YoY, resulting in a 140bp YoY contraction in EBITDA margin to 30.1% (est. 32.1%; FY26: 31%).
- Management remains focused on driving balanced growth through volume recovery and selective pricing actions while continuing to invest in brands and premiumization to sustain top-line growth. **We reiterate our BUY rating on the stock with a TP of INR2,500 (based on 40x Mar'27E EPS).**

Beat on revenue; higher ad spending drags the operating margin

- **Revenue growth above est. at 12%:** CLGT registered a revenue growth of 12% YoY (-4.2% in base) to INR16b (est. INR15.7b). It registered double-digit growth after six quarters. Volume growth was 6-7% in 1QFY27.
- **Higher ad spending leads to a contraction in EBITDA:** Gross margin expanded 100bp YoY to 70% (est. 69%). Gross profit was up 13% YoY. Ad spending rose 34% YoY, other expenses were up 12% YoY, and employee expenses mounted 9% YoY. EBITDA grew 7% YoY to INR4.8b (est. INR5.0b). EBITDA margin contracted 140bp YoY to 30.1% (est. 32.1%).
- **High single-digit growth in profitability:** PBT was up 8% YoY to INR4.7b (est. INR4.9b). Exceptional expenses of INR33m were recorded due to certain severance-related costs. APAT grew 8% YoY to INR3.5b (est. INR3.6b).

Key highlights from the management commentary

- The toothpaste portfolio posted robust high-single-digit volume growth, driven by stellar performance in premium toothpaste and sustained growth in the core portfolio.
- Brand investments were accelerated to further strengthen the premiumization strategy in the Oral Care category.
- The company expanded its premium oral care portfolio with the launch of Colgate MaxFresh Berry Blast and the Colgate Total Active Prevention Foaming Clean Toothbrush, while also rolling out a summer campaign for MaxFresh Peppermint Ice to strengthen the freshness proposition.

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Valuation and view

- There are no material changes in our EPS estimates for FY27 and FY28.
- Heading into FY27, management reiterated its focus on driving balanced growth through volume recovery and selective pricing actions while continuing to invest behind brands and premiumization initiatives to support top-line growth. We model 9% revenue CAGR and 11% EBITDA CAGR over FY26-28E. **We reiterate our BUY rating on the stock with a TP of INR2,500 (based on 40x Mar'27E EPS).**

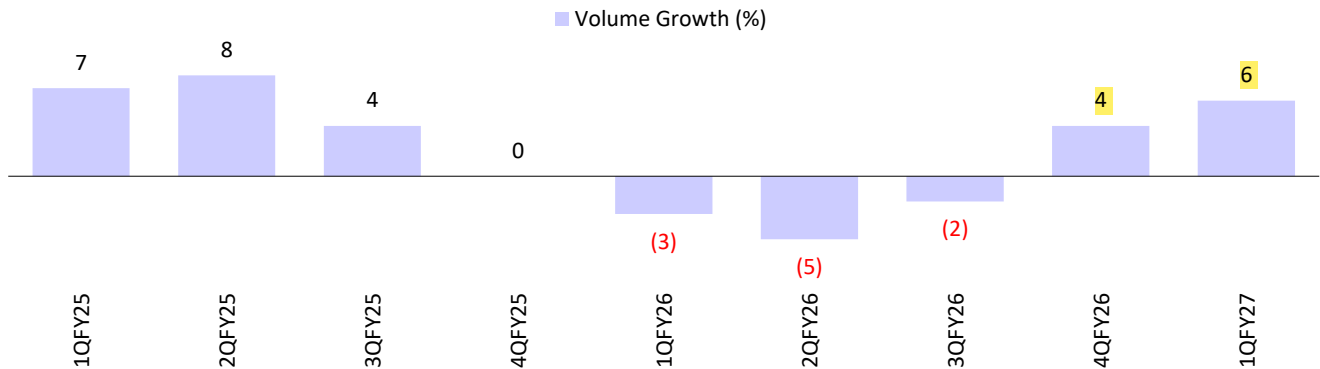
Quarterly Performance

Quarterly Performance												(INR m)
Y/E March	FY26				FY27E				FY26	FY27E	FY26	Var.
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2QE	3QE	4QE			1QE	(%)
Volume Gr %	-3.0	-5.0	-2.0	4.0	6.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	-1.5	4.5	4.5	
Net Sales (inclgd. OOI)	14,341	15,195	14,861	15,954	16,033	16,870	16,342	17,262	60,350	66,507	15,696	2.1%
YoY change (%)	-4.2	-6.2	1.7	9.1	11.8	11.0	10.0	8.2	-0.1	10.2	9.5	
Gross Profit	9,884	10,553	10,398	11,144	11,218	11,759	11,489	12,090	41,980	46,555	10,830	3.6%
Gross margin (%)	68.9	69.5	70.0	69.9	70.0	69.7	70.3	70.0	69.6	70.0	69.0	
EBITDA	4,526	4,654	4,420	5,096	4,830	5,242	5,010	5,769	18,697	20,850	5,045	-4.3%
Margins (%)	31.6	30.6	29.7	31.9	30.1	31.1	30.7	33.4	31.0	31.4	32.1	
YoY growth (%)	-11.0	-6.4	-2.7	2.3	6.7	12.6	13.3	13.2	-4.5	11.5	11.5	
Depreciation	375	372	363	351	392	385	385	380	1,461	1,542	383	
Interest	10	10	10	8	10	11	11	10	38	42	10	
Financial other Income	179	150	393	169	228	225	236	236	891	925	224	
PBT	4,320	4,423	4,441	4,906	4,655	5,072	4,850	5,614	18,089	20,191	4,876	-4.5%
Tax	1,113	1,148	1,118	1,207	1,191	1,278	1,222	1,391	4,587	5,082	1,229	
Rate (%)	25.8	25.9	25.2	24.6	25.6	25.2	25.2	24.8	25.4	25.2	25.2	
Adj PAT	3,206	3,275	3,297	3,658	3,456	3,794	3,627	4,224	13,436	15,109	3,648	-5.3%
YoY change (%)	-11.9	-7.9	2.2	3.0	7.8	15.8	10.0	15.5	-3.8	12.4	13.8	
Reported PAT	3,206	3,275	3,239	3,533	3,431	3,794	3,627	4,224	13,253	15,109	3,648	

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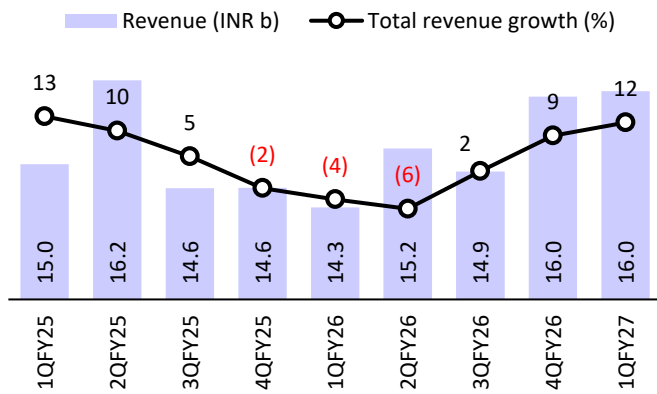
Key exhibits

Exhibit 1: Intrinsic volume growth in toothpaste was 6% in 1QFY27



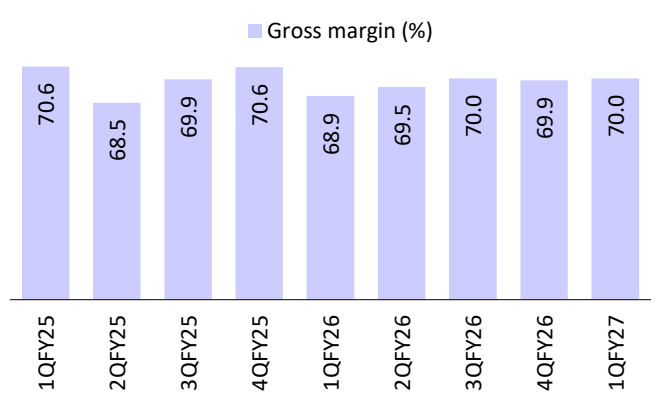
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Exhibit 2: Revenue up 12% YoY to INR16.0b in 1QFY27



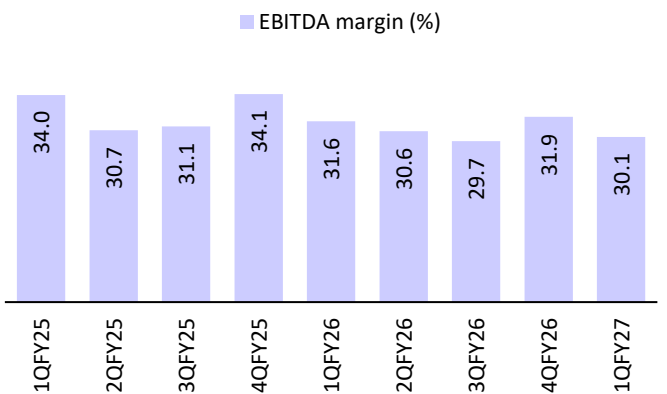
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Exhibit 3: Gross margin expanded 110bp YoY to 70%



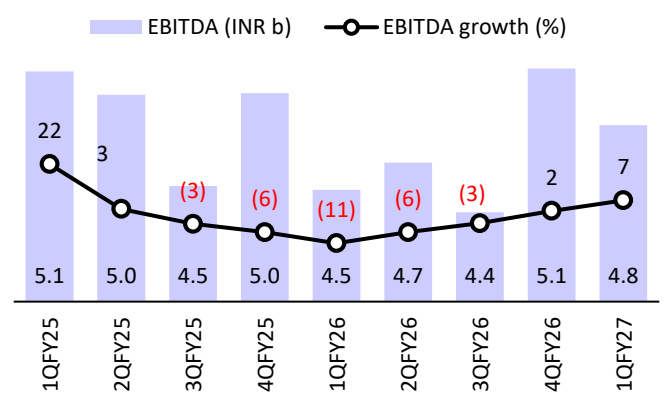
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Exhibit 4: EBITDA margin contracted 140bp YoY to 30.1%



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Exhibit 5: EBITDA grew 7% YoY to INR4.8b in 1QFY27



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Valuation and view

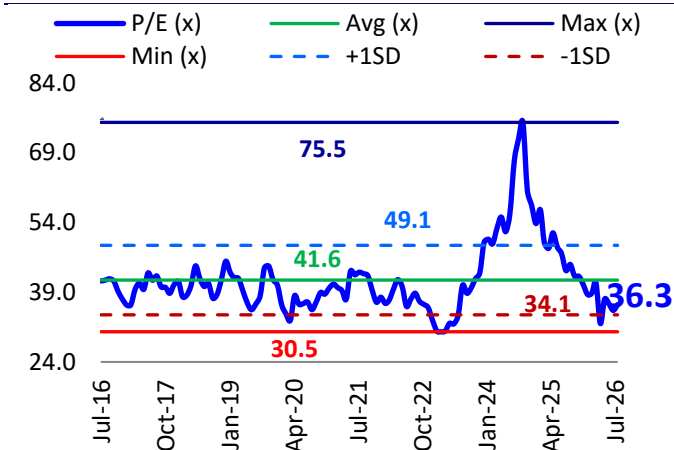
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Exhibit 6: No material changes to our EPS estimates for FY27 and FY28

	Old		New		Change (%)	
	FY27E	FY28E	FY27E	FY28E	FY27E	FY28E
Sales	65,289	69,909	66,507	71,208	1.9	1.9
EBITDA	20,762	22,930	20,850	22,822	0.4	(0.5)
PAT	15,078	16,762	15,109	16,646	0.2	(0.7)

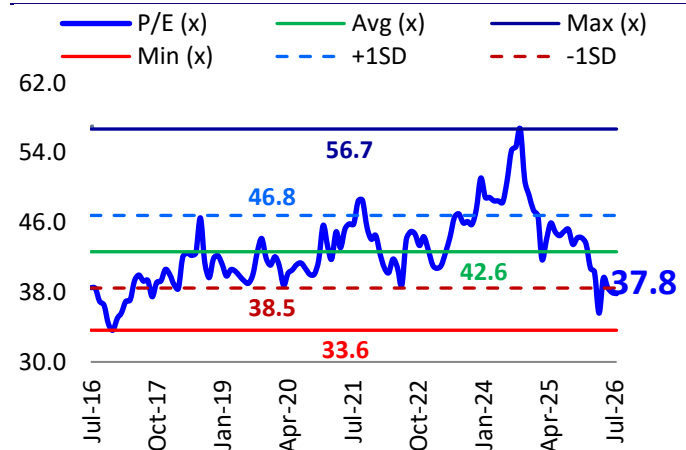
Source: MOFSL

Exhibit 7: P/E ratio (x) for CLGT



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Exhibit 8: P/E ratio (x) for the Consumer sector



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Financials and valuations

Income Statement								(INR m)	
Y/E March	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027E	2028E
Net Sales	45,251	48,412	50,998	52,262	56,804	60,402	60,350	66,507	71,208
Change (%)	1.4	7.0	5.3	2.5	8.7	6.3	-0.1	10.2	7.1
COGS	15,729	15,494	16,675	17,942	17,230	18,183	18,371	19,952	21,184
Gross Profit	29,522	32,919	34,323	34,320	39,574	42,219	41,980	46,555	50,024
Gross Margin (%)	65.2	68.0	67.3	65.7	69.7	69.9	69.6	70.0	70.3
EBITDA	12,017	15,096	15,660	15,470	19,008	19,581	18,697	20,850	22,822
Change (%)	-2.8	25.6	3.7	-1.2	22.9	3.0	-4.5	11.5	9.5
Margin (%)	26.6	31.2	30.7	29.6	33.5	32.4	31.0	31.4	32.1
Depreciation	1,979	1,825	1,773	1,748	1,715	1,627	1,461	1,542	1,549
Int. and Fin. Charges	96	73	59	49	50	43	38	42	46
Financial Other Income	492	304	263	536	765	824	891	925	1,019
Profit before Taxes	10,434	13,502	14,090	14,209	18,008	18,734	18,089	20,191	22,246
Change (%)	-6.2	29.4	4.4	0.8	26.7	4.0	-3.4	11.6	10.2
Margin (%)	23.1	27.9	27.6	27.2	31.7	31.0	30.0	30.4	31.2
Tax	2,269	3,257	3,448	3,724	4,937	4,949	4,676	5,082	5,599
Deferred Tax	-31	-109	-141	-99	-360	-19	-89	0	0
Tax Rate (%)	21.5	23.3	23.5	25.5	25.4	26.3	25.4	25.2	25.2
Adjusted PAT	8,165	10,354	10,783	10,555	13,383	13,973	13,436	15,109	16,646
Change (%)	8.8	26.8	4.1	-2.1	26.8	4.4	-3.8	12.4	10.2
Margin (%)	18.0	21.4	21.1	20.2	23.6	23.1	22.3	22.7	23.4
Non-rec. (Exp)/Income	0	0	0	-83	-146	395	-183	0	0
Reported PAT	8,165	10,354	10,783	10,472	13,237	14,368	13,253	15,109	16,646

Balance Sheet								(INR m)	
Y/E March	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026E	2027E	2028E
Share Capital	272	272	272	272	272	272	272	272	272
Reserves	15,670	11,387	17,075	16,892	18,472	16,373	15,569	17,078	19,580
Net Worth	15,942	11,659	17,347	17,164	18,744	16,645	15,841	17,350	19,852
Loans	1,520	1,102	847	820	828	769	811	811	811
Deferred Liability	50	-48	-173	-288	-648	-680	-820	-820	-820
Capital Employed	17,512	12,713	18,021	17,695	18,924	16,735	15,832	17,341	19,843
Gross Block	22,182	19,831	20,504	21,240	22,278	23,729	24,607	24,707	24,807
Less: Accum. Depn.	-10,953	-9,184	-10,874	-12,622	-14,337	-15,964	-17,425	-18,967	-20,517
Net Fixed Assets	11,229	10,647	9,630	8,618	7,941	7,765	7,183	5,740	4,291
Capital WIP	1,900	1,449	1,218	1,141	1,103	384	272	272	272
Investments	186	186	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Curr. Assets, L&A	12,725	16,611	17,997	18,783	22,274	21,357	25,808	25,742	30,628
Inventory	2,969	3,358	3,572	3,355	2,964	3,773	3,763	4,194	4,503
Account Receivables	1,326	1,171	2,247	1,574	1,674	2,263	2,092	2,491	2,667
Cash & Bank	4,213	8,676	7,547	9,230	13,738	10,951	14,688	14,178	18,210
Others	4,217	3,405	4,631	4,625	3,898	4,371	5,265	4,879	5,247
Curr. Liab. and Prov.	8,528	16,179	10,825	10,846	12,394	12,771	17,430	14,413	15,347
Account Payables	6,125	7,604	7,714	7,611	8,819	9,208	13,861	10,299	10,914
Other Liabilities	1,798	7,765	2,271	1,953	2,174	2,079	1,942	2,325	2,464
Provisions	605	810	840	1,282	1,401	1,485	1,627	1,790	1,969
Net Current Assets	4,197	431	7,173	7,936	9,881	8,586	8,378	11,329	15,281
Application of Funds	17,512	12,713	18,021	17,695	18,924	16,735	15,832	17,341	19,843

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Financials and valuations

Ratios

Y/E March	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027E	2028E
Basic (INR)									
EPS	30.0	38.1	39.6	38.8	49.2	51.4	49.4	55.5	61.2
Cash EPS	37.3	44.8	46.2	45.2	55.5	57.4	54.8	61.2	66.9
BV/Share	58.6	42.9	63.8	63.1	68.9	61.2	58.2	63.8	73.0
DPS	28.0	38.0	40.0	39.0	58.0	51.0	48.0	50.0	52.0
Payout %	93.3	99.8	100.9	100.5	117.9	99.3	97.2	90.0	85.0
Valuation (x)									
P/E	72.5	57.1	54.8	56.0	44.2	42.3	44.0	39.1	35.5
Cash P/E	58.3	48.6	47.1	48.1	39.2	37.9	39.7	35.5	32.5
EV/Sales	13.0	12.1	11.5	11.2	10.2	9.6	9.6	8.7	8.1
EV/EBITDA	49.0	38.7	37.3	37.7	30.4	29.7	30.9	27.7	25.1
P/BV	37.1	50.7	34.1	34.5	31.5	35.5	37.3	34.1	29.8
Dividend Yield (%)	1.3	1.7	1.8	1.8	2.7	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.4
Return Ratios (%)									
RoE	53.7	75.0	74.4	61.2	74.5	79.0	82.7	91.0	89.5
RoCE	49.7	68.9	70.5	59.5	73.6	77.6	83.1	91.3	89.7
Working Capital Ratios									
Debtor (Days)	11	9	16	11	11	14	13	14	14
Asset Turnover (x)	2.9	4.4	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.7	3.9	3.9	3.6
Leverage Ratio									
Debt/Equity (x)	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0

Cash Flow Statement

Y/E March	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027E	2028E
(INR m)									
OP/(loss) before Tax	10,434	13,502	14,090	14,209	17,813	19,298	17,840	20,191	22,246
Depreciation	1,979	1,825	1,773	1,748	1,715	1,627	1,461	1,542	1,549
Int./Div. Received	-96	35	105	68	-630	-590	-502	0	0
Interest Paid	-158	-131	-158	-364	50	43	38	42	46
Direct Taxes Paid	-3,213	-3,584	-3,699	-3,809	-4,686	-5,620	-4,558	-5,082	-5,599
(Incr)/Decr in WC	-35	-3,826	4,151	-89	-2,272	-815	3,785	-2,854	370
CF from Operations	8,911	7,823	16,261	11,763	11,990	13,945	18,063	13,839	18,612
(Incr)/Decr in FA	-604	-573	-495	-695	-755	-714	-763	-100	-100
Free Cash Flow	8,307	7,249	15,766	11,068	11,234	13,231	17,300	13,739	18,512
(Pur)/Sale of Investments	7	1,060	-812	221	828	548	3,891	0	0
Others	419	5,954	-5,178	1,262	4,398	148	-3,234	-604	-287
CF from Invest.	-177	6,440	-6,485	788	4,471	-18	-106	-704	-387
Change in Equity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(Incr)/Decr in Debt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dividend Paid	-8,433	-9,211	-10,572	-10,575	-11,670	-16,262	-13,871	-13,600	-14,144
Others	-81	-353	-334	-293	-282	-451	-349	-45	-49
CF from Fin. Activity	-8,514	-9,565	-10,906	-10,867	-11,953	-16,713	-14,220	-13,645	-14,193
Incr/Decr of Cash	219	4,698	-1,129	1,683	4,508	-2,787	3,737	-511	4,031
Add: Opening Balance	3,994	3,978	8,676	7,547	9,230	13,738	10,951	14,688	14,178
Closing Balance	4,213	8,676	7,547	9,230	13,738	10,951	14,688	14,177	18,209

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