Kuantum Papers Ltd The Paper Makers

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Pursuant to Regulation 30 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, we hereby attach a copy of earnings presentation for the quarter ended 31March 2022 for your information and record purposes.

The said presentation will be uploaded on the Company's website at www.kuantumpapers.com, thereafter.

Kindly take the same on record.

For Kuantum Papers Ltd

(Vivek Trehan)

Company Secretary

Encl: a/a



Executive Summary







- Kuantum Papers Ltd., is one of the largest Agro based paper manufacturers in India and is committed to manufacturing wood free, high quality maplitho, creamwove, copier and specialty paper.
- The company has an Integrated manufacturing facility of 1,64,250 MTPA with 4 Paper machines, Agro and Wood based pulping, Co-generation Power plant & Chemical Recovery Plant.
- Kuantum's products are extensively used in the printing of books, notebooks, annual reports, directories, envelopes, diaries, calendars, computer and office stationery.
- It has a strong long-lasting pan India dealership network of 90+ dealers from which it undertakes order based manufacturing.
- The company caters to marquee clients like Best Price, McGraw Hill, Kokuyo(Mumbai), Thomson, Lotus Global, Navneet Publications, Oxford University Press, Macmillan amongst others.
- Kuantum maintains a Social Farm forestry programme, thus contributing to future source of wood chips.

FY22 FINANCIALS (INR Mn)

Revenues

INR 8,304

EBITDA

INR 1,190

EBITDA Margin
14.33%

PAT

INR 134

PAT Margin **1.61%**

EPS

INR 1.54

About Kuantum Papers

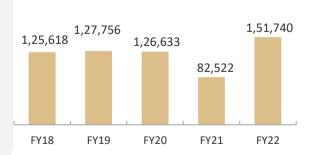


- Incorporated in 1980, Kuantum Papers started its commercial operations in an economically backward village of Hoshiarpur, Punjab.
- They started their commercial operations with 30 TPD and are currently operating at 450 TPD, after completion of their backward integration project in March'21.
- Due to its location in the foothills of the Shivalik range, Kuantum Papers has been strategically utilizing agro residues like wheat straw, sarkanda and bagasse along with wood chips, veneer waste & bamboo to make high quality paper.
- The company's fully integrated manufacturing facility spread across 259 acres helps it gain advantage in terms of better operational efficiency and higher product offering.
- Kuantum's product offerings include maplitho, creamwove, copier paper and value-added specialty products like Azurelaid papers, parchment paper, cartridge paper, ledger paper, stiffner paper and coloured paper with a GSM range of 48 180 GSM.
- The company's major area of operations lie within 1,000 kms of the plant in Northern and Eastern India with a strong dealership network, many of whom have been associated with Kuantum since 3 generations.
- The company manufacturers its products on an order-based system from its 90+ dealer network.
- The company's social farm forestry program includes wood plantations of around 1,500 hectares. Post their maturity these plantations will be used as wood source for their facility hence contributing to better margin performance.

Operational Revenue (INR Mn) & EBITDA Margins (%)



Production MT



Key Strengths





Pan India presence with an extensive network of 90+ dealers



Long standing relationship with dealers, many associated with the company for over 3 decades



Largest product Portfolio in the Paper Industry covering Maplitho, Creamwove, Copier and Specialty Paper



Successful in creating a branded portfolio of products



Ability to command a price premium in the range of 5-7% over our competitors due to better quality of products and superior market orientation



Market based sales rather than government orders. Customers are delighted to deal with us rather than our competitors due to regular and timely supplies



Cost savings through executed Backward Integration Project will lead to improved EBITDA margins in the range of 28-30%



Improved infrastructure of paper machines in order to be more cost effective



Located near densely populated Northern Region including NCR, a higher paper consumption market



Strategic location in Punjab with abundant availability of raw materials such as Wheat Straw, Sarkanda, Kana Grass & Bagasse, allows us to get steady supplies at stable prices



Raw Materials are perfect substitutes of each other, so we are not dependent on any single one throughout the year



Future source of wood chips: Social farm forestry programme which will serve us for our future source in-house wood pulp requirement

Current Manufacturing Facilities



Pulping Facilities

Paper Machines

Chemical Recovery Plant

Co-Gen Power Plant

Segment

Capacity



- Total Capacity: 380 TPD
- Agro based pulp: 200 TPD
- Wood pulp: 180 TPD



- Total capacity: 450 TPD
- Machine 1 30 TPD
- Machine 2 35 TPD
- Machine 3 115 TPD
- Machine 4 270 TPD



- Total Capacity: 700 Solids TPD
- New CRP: 500 Solids TPD
- Existing CRP: 200 Solids TPD

- Turbines : Total 38 MW
- New: 20 MW & 8 MW
- Existing Turbines: 10 MW
- Boilers : Total 190 TPH
- ➤ New: 130 TPH
- > Existing: 60 TPH

- Kuantum combines agro pulp along with wood pulp and imported pulp in order to produce better quality fibre for paper production
- The different configurations of the four paper machines allow Kuantum to manufacture a wide variety of surface-sized, non surface-sized and valueadded specialty products
- Installed new Chemical Recovery Plant of 500 TPD from Andritz for the treatment of Black Liquor produced in the pulping process
- Caustic soda, which is a costly chemical used in the pulping process is recovered through this plant leading to reduction in operational cost and thus margin improvement
- Installed two new turbines of 20 MW and 8 MW from Siemens, thereby taking the total capacity to 38 MW.
- A new Boiler of 130 TPH from ISGEC has been installed making the total capacity 190 TPH.
- Power costs are expected to come down substantially in the range of INR 2.3-2.5 per unit

Description

Future Growth Strategy





Focusing on cost optimization and quality enhancement

Creating a portfolio of higher proportion of value added specialty products from additional pulping efficiency achieved

Strengthening of Plant Operations post the Project completion

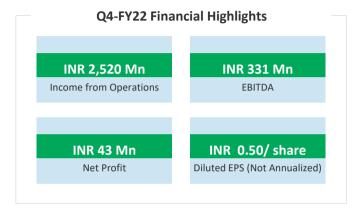


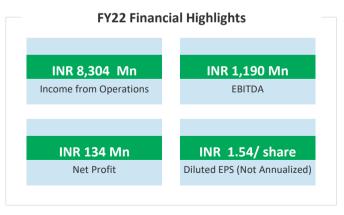


FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Q4FY22/ FY22 Financial & Operational Highlights







Q4-FY22 Operational Highlights

- Kuantum achieved its highest ever revenue of INR 8,304 mn in FY 22 which has gone up by 106% vis-à-vis FY 21, on the back of increase in exports and specialty paper product mix.
- Highest ever production of 1,51,740 MT achieved

New product launch in Q4:

- Kuantum Carry (bleached high quality carry bag paper)
- Kuantum Maplitho WS (base paper for Digital Photos)
- The market sentiment continues to be positive with a steady increase in paper pricing in the last few months. The NEP syllabi which is expected to be announced in July'22 end along with the ban on single - use plastic, will put Kuantum on a strong footing.





Q4-FY22/ FY22 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Quarterly Financial Performance



Particulars (INR Mn)	Q4-FY22	Q4-FY21	Y-o-Y	Q3-FY22	Q-o-Q
Operational Income	2,520	1,691	49.0%	2,298	9.7%
Total Expenses	2,189	1,412	55.0%	1,993	9.8%
EBITDA	331	279	18.6%	305	8.5%
EBITDA Margins (%)	13.13%	16.50%	-337Bps	13.27%	-14Bps
Other Income	7	10	-30.0%	8	-12.5%
Depreciation	112	96	16.7%	111	0.9%
Finance Cost	176	43	NA	177	-0.6%
Exceptional Items	-	86	NA	-	NA
РВТ	50	64	-21.9%	25	100.0%
Tax	7	(40)	NA	(15)	NA
Profit After tax	43	104	-58.7%	40	7.5%
PAT Margins (%)	1.71%	6.15%	-443Bps	1.74%	-2Bps
Other Comprehensive Income	(2)	6	NA	-	NA
Total Comprehensive Income	41	110	-62.7%	40	2.5%
Diluted EPS (INR)	0.50	1.19	-58%	0.46	8.7%

Annual Financial Performance



Particulars (INR Mn)	FY22	FY21	Y-o-Y
Operational Income	8,304	4,039	105.6%
Total Expenses	7,114	3,746	89.9%
EBITDA	1,190	293	NA
EBITDA Margins (%)	14.33%	7.25%	708Bps
Other Income	39	100	-61.0%
Depreciation	461	348	32.8%
Finance Cost	689	277	NA
Exceptional Items	-	86	NA
РВТ	77	(318)	NA
Tax	(57)	(191)	NA
Profit After tax	134	(127)	NA
PAT Margins (%)	1.61%	NA	NA
Other Comprehensive Income	(2)	4	NA
Total Comprehensive Income	132	(123)	NA
Diluted EPS (INR)	1.54	(1.46)	NA

Historical Income Statement



Particulars (INR Mn)	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22
Operational Income	7,935	7,447	4,039	8,304
Total Expenses	6,379	6,262	3,746	7,114
EBITDA	1,556	1,185	293	1,190
EBITDA Margins (%)	19.61%	15.91%	7.25%	14.33%
Other Income	88	88	100	39
Depreciation	251	317	348	461
Finance Cost	284	304	277	689
Exceptional Items	-	-	86	-
PBT	1,109	652	(318)	77
Tax	330	(66)	(191)	(57)
Profit After tax	779	718	(127)	134
PAT Margins (%)	9.82%	9.64%	NA	1.61%
Other Comprehensive Income	(1)	(1)	4	(2)
Total Comprehensive Income	778	717	(123)	132
Diluted EPS (INR)	8.93	8.23	(1.46)	1.54

Balance sheet



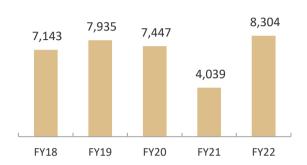
Assets (INR Mn)	FY20	FY21	FY22
Non-Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	10,201	14,263	14,006
Capital work-in-progress	3,096	205	289
Investment property	79	78	76
Other intangible assets	55	17	-
Financial assets			
• Loans	40	-	-
Other financial assets	52	81	86
Income tax assets (net)	-	3	3
Other Non-current assets	178	7	148
Total Non-Current Assets	13,701	14,654	14,608
Current Assets			
Inventories	924	524	869
Financial assets			
Trade receivable	143	331	606
Cash and Cash equivalents	5	5	36
Other bank balances	190	156	130
• Loans	5	-	-
Others financial assets	72	49	27
Other current assets	454	424	485
Total Current Assets	1,793	1,489	2,153
Total Assets	15,494	16,143	16,761

Equity & Liabilities (INR Mn)	FY20	FY21	FY22
Equity			
Equity share capital	87	87	87
Other equity	8,230	8,085	8,218
Total Equity	8,317	8,172	8,305
Liabilities			
Non-Current Liabilities			
Financial liabilities			
Borrowings	4,683	6,137	6,448
 Other financial liabilities 	163	169	181
Provisions	11	12	12
Deferred tax liabilities (net)	272	84	13
Deferred income	55	50	55
Total Non-Current Liabilities	5,184	6,452	6,709
Current Liabilities			
Financial Liabilities			
 Borrowings 	620	753	1,176
 Trade payables 	279	448	357
 Other financial liabilities 	1,038	275	143
Other current liabilities	39	35	60
Provisions	3	3	2
Deferred income	4	4	5
Current tax liabilities (net)	10	1	5
Total Current Liabilities	1,993	1,519	1,748
Total Liabilities	7,177	7,971	8,456
Total Equity and Liabilities	15,494	16,143	16,761

Financial Highlights

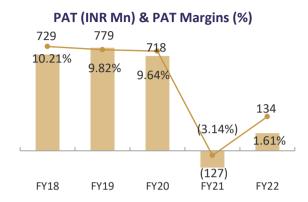






EBITDA (INR Mn) & EBITDA Margins (%)

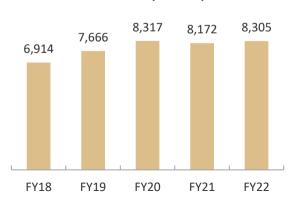




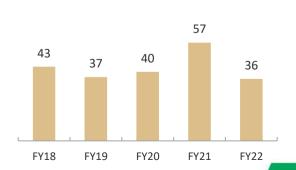
Net Debt to Equity



Net Worth (INR Mn)

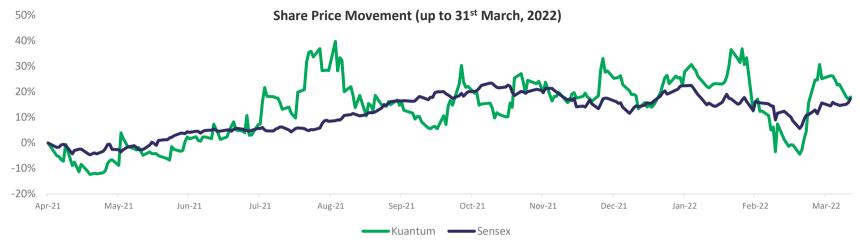


Cash Conversion Cycle



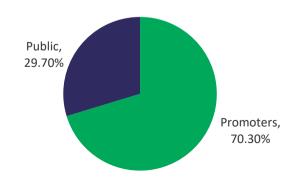
Capital Market Data





Price Data (31st March, 2022)	INR
Face Value	1.0
Market Price	80.5
52 Week H/L	107.5 / 53.0
Market Cap (Mn)	7,024.7
Equity Shares Outstanding (Mn)	87.3
1 Year Avg Trading Volume ('000)	135.4

Shareholding Pattern as on 31st March, 2022



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