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Dear Madam/Sir,

#### Sub: Investor Update on the Acquisitions.

With reference to the above-cited subject, we are enclosing herewith the Investor Update.

Request you to take the same on record and oblige.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully, For **Tanla Platforms Limited** 

Seshanuradha Chava General Counsel and Company Secretary ACS-15519

# Update on Strategic Acquisitions

ValueFirst India from Twilio &

ValueFirst Middle East FZC from existing shareholders

8<sup>th</sup> June 2023





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The CPaaS business is evolving at a fast pace in India with very little information available in the public domain on the overall market. The financial community has always sought a response on the total market size, key drivers of the industry and the competitive landscape in this space. In order to provide more transparency and to help understand our business better, we are providing indicative data around the market size and our relative share (assuming the indicative data). This indicative data has been arrived at basis our detailed internal analysis. This is being done with an intent to provide an indicative picture of the industry and address queries about the CPaaS space. This must not be seen as a positioning statement of the company, and one should not rely on the company's disclosure for their assessment of the market size or the relevant share of any participants in the market.

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## **Deal construct**



# **3-part** construct

### ValueFirst India

### Closure date : July 2023

Stake buyout : 100% of the paid-up capital (1.67L equity shares of Rs 10 each) from Twilio

Deal size : USD 42 Mn+1

Deal type : All-cash deal

### ValueFirst Middle East FZC (incl. subsidiaries in Indonesia, KSA & Dubai)

## Closure date : September 2023

## Stake buyout : 100% of ValueFirst Middle East

**FZC** (100 shares of AED 1000 each) by Tanla and its subsidiaries

### Deal size : INR 20 Cr<sup>2</sup>

**Deal type :** Infusion / acquisition of capital by Tanla & its subsidiaries

### **Management Agreement**

#### **RSU grant in ValueFirst India : P&L**

implication of **INR 50 Cr** over 24 months (exercise price at face value)

**Grant details :** Would be spread over 24 months, with time-based and performance-based vesting

**Management :** Current management will continue to manage both the entities and we are incentivizing the team for value creation

Note: For the purpose of this presentation, we are combining the financials of two transactions to give an integrated view for easy understanding

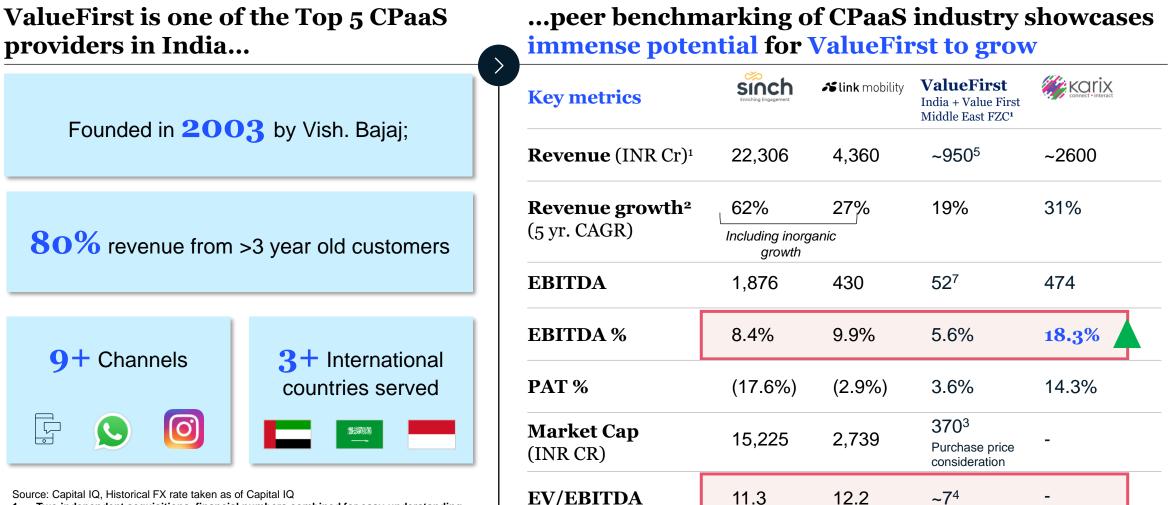
1. Purchase price of USD \$42Mn (subject to upward closing adjustments in the range of USD 2.5Mn to 3.5 Mn, as agreed in transaction documents)

2. By way of a combination of a primary investment and secondary acquisition of shares

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## ValueFirst has huge potential to grow

Figures in INR Cr for FY'23 for ValueFirst and Karix; CY'22 for Sinch & Lynk



1. Two independent acquisitions, financial numbers combined for easy understanding

2. Basis FY19-FY23 revenue growth

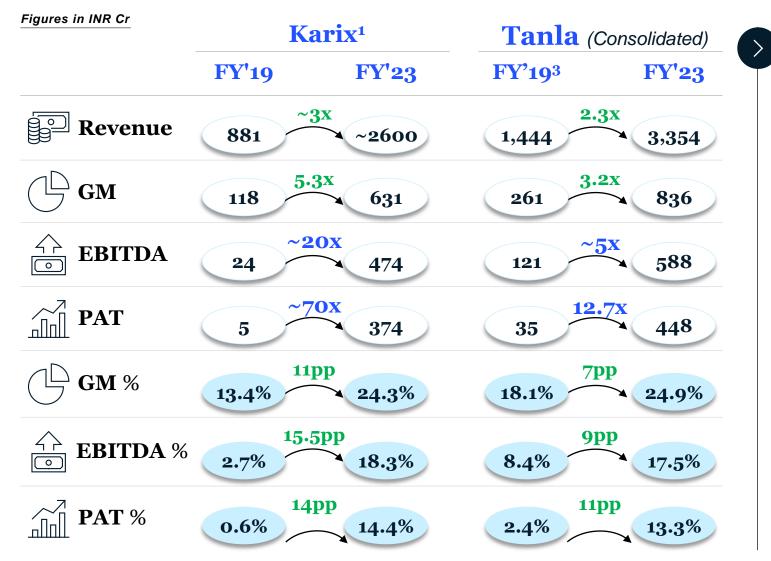
 Taken per current purchase price of USD \$42Mn (subject to upward closing adjustments in the range of USD 2.5Mn to 3.5 Mn, as agreed in transaction documents) and INR 20 Cr for ValueFirst Middle East FZC (By way of a combination of a primary investment and secondary acquisition of shares)

4. EV/EBITDA for ValueFirst as a consolidated entity calculated basis current deal valuation

- 5. All financial numbers are provisional, subject to audit
- 6. Recurring EBITDA

ValueFirst has significant headroom to grow

## **Our track record** | ~20x EBITDA growth in Karix in 5 yrs.



### ...We are taking ValueFirst on a similar journey

**Acquisition impact** 

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- **No cash investments:** Only payment was for initial purchase consideration
- Talent Retention: Retained key talent and grown Customer base: 50% of revenues contributed by 50 of Top 100 customers, retained for more ᡝᡃᡃ than 5 years

### Karix acquired at INR 340 Cr

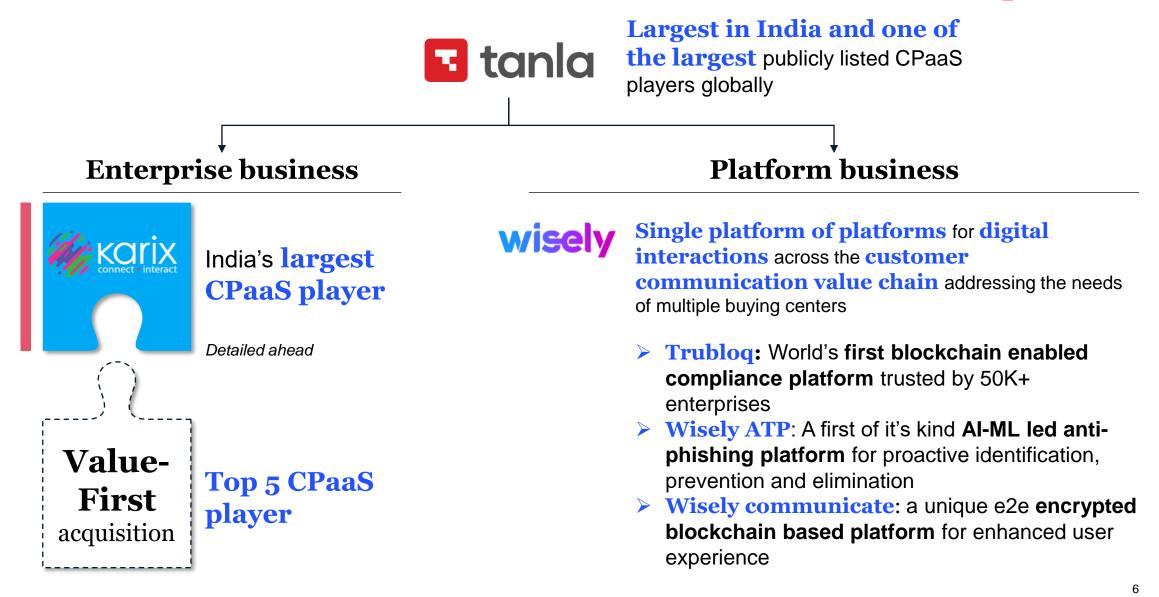
### **GAMOOGA**

- Technology acquisition: Marketing automation platform for personalization at scale

Engine of innovation for several greenfield opportunities: Fueled AI/ML र्द्को based launches such as Wisely ATP, Wisely Communicate, etc.

# ValueFirst will be a strategic acquisition to bolster enterprise business

Historical acquisitions



## Tanla + ValueFirst India + ValueFirst Middle East FZC; bigger, better and stronger !

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- Grow CPaaS revenue market share in India from ~30% to ~35%1
- SMS market share (NLD): 40% to 45%+



- Complementary customer segments
- Karix: Leader in large enterprises
- ValueFirst: Leader in mid market



1. Interco. Overlap excluded

- Tuck-in and scale ValueFirst solutions
- e.g., Surbo

Shape the **Industry more** 

> **Pioneer Industry** ideation through multiple innovations across the digital interactions landscape



Augment strong momentum in **KSA**, **UAE** and Indonesia e.q., Unilever Indonesia

**Accelerate** 

expansion

international

 Critical mass achieved in UAE with 10% share

Ensure retention of Ň top management talent

**Best in Class** 

talent pool

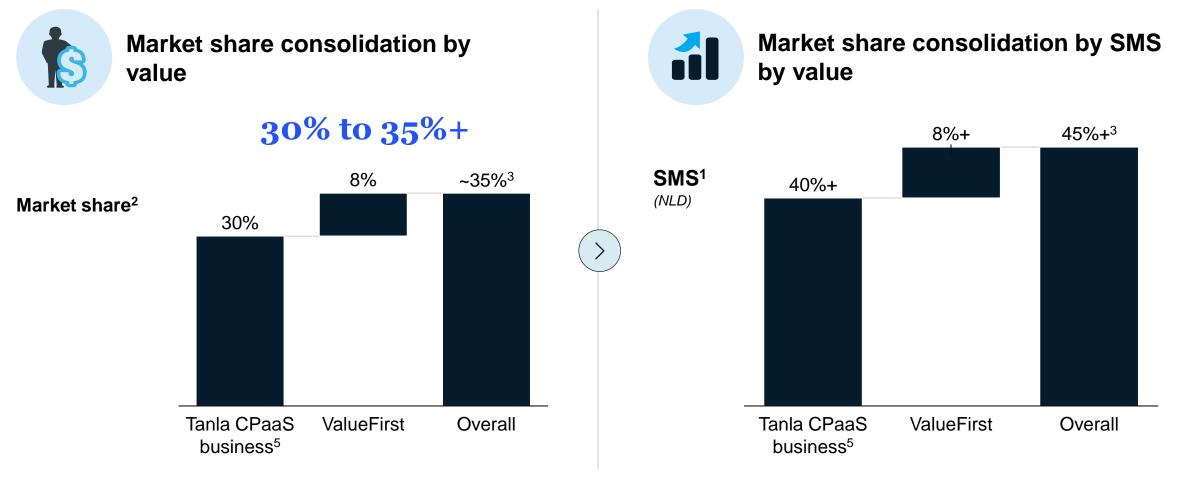
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## A1. Consolidation of India market leadership in CPaaS space

FY23 figures for Tanla CPaaS business excluding all International Business; Figures in INR Cr



1. Includes enterprise + aggregation revenue

2. Includes SMS NLD (including DLT) and ILD, email and WhatsApp

3. Interco. Overlap excluded

4. Tanla CPaaS business numbers = Karix as a standalone business unit + aggregation business

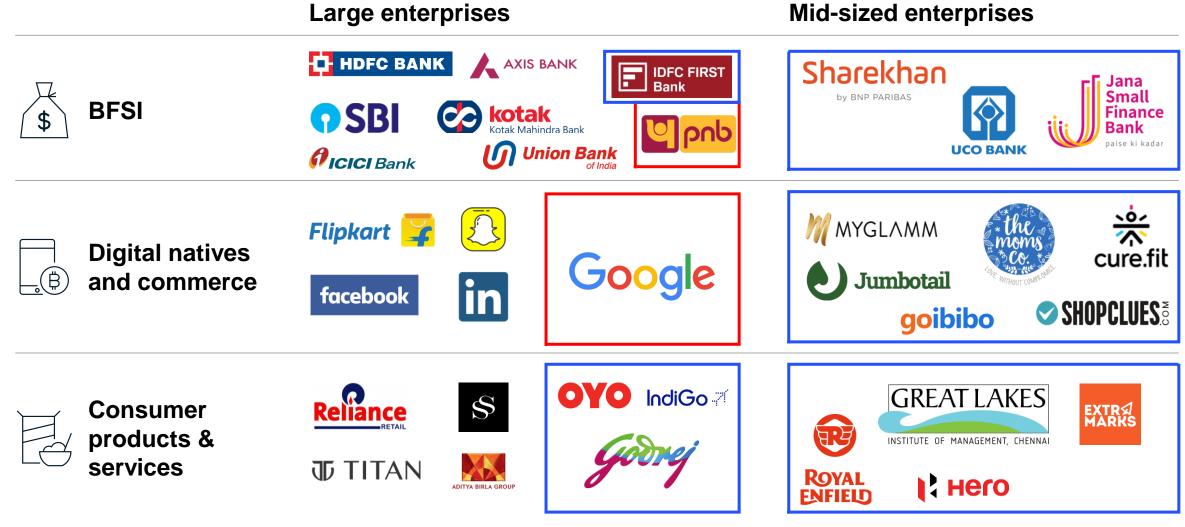
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6. Only ValueFirst combined entities' India business; For the purpose of this presentation, we are combining the financials of the two transactions for easy understanding This indicative data on market size has been arrived at basis our internal analysis. This is our assessment and merely indicative in nature and should not be relied upon

## A2. Complementary customer footprint – ValueFirst leader in mid market; Karix in large enterprise (1/2)

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ValueFirst's clients Common clie

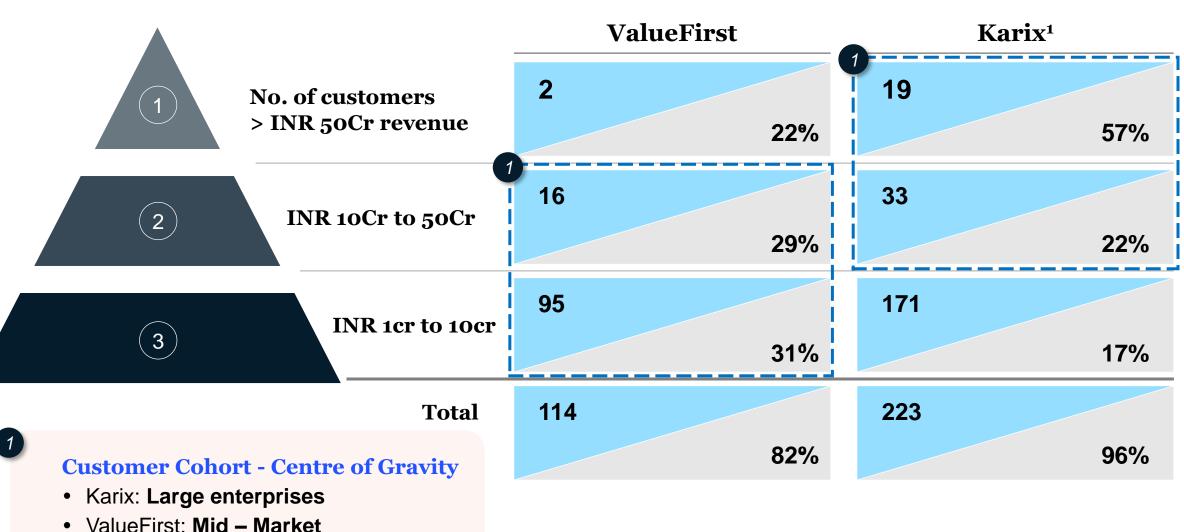


~40% of ValueFirst revenue are from customers net new to Tanla

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## A2. Complementary customer footprint – ValueFirst leader in mid market; Karix in large enterprise (2/2)

**Revenue cohort from India customers for FY'23** 



<sup>1.</sup> Numbers for full Tanla consolidated business

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# **A3.** Tanla can leverage ValueFirst solutions and generate at scale impact

#### **Illustrative for Surbo**

Surbo offers a platform for enterprises to **build**, **host and manage NLP-driven chatbots for messaging channels** via managed services

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Illustrative use case over WhatsApp



#### Customer journey

Onboard on the platform through a **seamless** journey

Build intuitive chatbots through easy-to-use conversation builder, subsequently train them using extensive database

Enable **seamless engagement** via numerous response types and **third party integrations** 

WebEngage 20110

salesforce

Deploy on multiple communication channels





Top-class monitoring and reporting enabled by **NLP & sentiment analysis**, and **advanced analytics** 

## **2**X

Increase potential due to cross sell of Surbo to **1300**+ Tanla customers



Sectors with highest potential to cross-sell Surbo



Launched in 2017, it already has
150+ active customers;
100M+ conversations per month



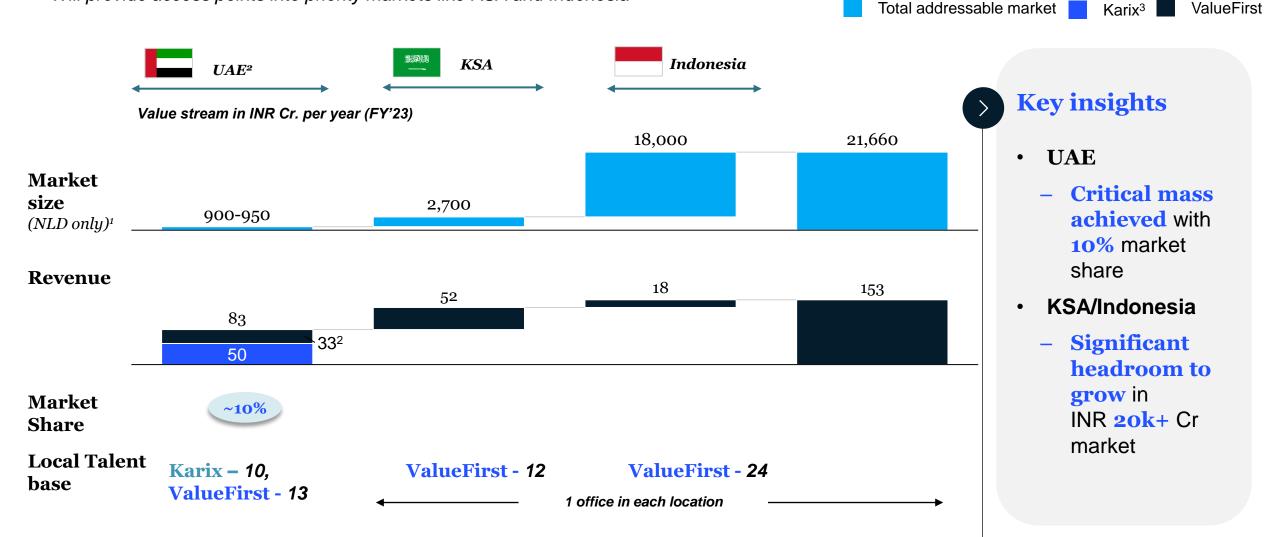
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# **C.** ValueFirst will help accelerate international expansion; potential to increase by 2-2.5X in the next few months

Will provide access points into priority markets like KSA and Indonesia



1. Calculated as monthly traffic \* 12 \* price per msg. UAE= 800mn/month \* 12 \* INR 1; KSA= 3bn/month \* 12 \* INR 0.75; Indonesia= 6bn/month \* 12 \* INR 2.5

2. Numbers for Karix as a standalone business units (Includes some portion of platform revenue)

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## **D.** ValueFirst top talent will make our **C-suite** even stronger



Vishwadeep Bajaj Chief Executive Officer

- Vishwadeep has 33+ years of CPaaS and telco experience
- He has been with ValueFirst for 19+ years
- An alumnus of MIT Sloan School of Management, he has worked with CMC Limited and Siemens in the past



Anubhav Batra Chief Financial Officer

- Anubhav is a tenured finance and accounting professional with 15+ years of experience
- He has been with ValueFirst for 11 years
- A Chartered Accountant, Anubhav has worked at EY and KPMG prior to joining ValueFirst



Debmalya De Chief Technology Officer

- An IT & Telecom professional with 25 years of experience, Debmalya joined ValueFirst ~5 years back
- He has previously worked at Spice Digital, Wipro, ACL (Sinch), Unified Telecom and Lumata
- Debmalya has B.Sc from St. Xavier's College and is an IIM-L alumnus



Gurmukh Singh Chief Operating Officer

- Gurmukh is a veteran in Operations and has ~24 years of experience
- He has been with ValueFirst for 19+ years
- A graduate from Guru Nanak Dev Engineering College, Gurmukh has previously worked at Hitachi

We will ensure retention of top talent – Average tenure of 10+ years

## ValueFirst acquisition is a slam dunk!

"Acquisition of ValueFirst will further strengthen our undisputed market leadership in India.

We only believe in purposeful acquisitions and have had an incredible track record with Karix acquisition, which has seen 20x EBITDA growth over the last 5 years.

I am confident we will embark on a similar journey with ValueFirst to unlock massive value"

**D. Uday Kumar Reddy** Founder Chairman & CEO, Tanla

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Massive head-room: Potential to create significant value within 12 months



Proven track record: Karix acquisition 20x EBITDA in 5 yrs.



Complementary customer footprint: Karix 50% share of large enterprise + ValueFirst ~20-25% share of midmarket



**Complementary Geography:** ~20% of ValueFirst Middle FZC revenues comes from KSA, UAE & Indonesia with INR 20,000 Cr TAM



Capital efficient: No further investment, immediately EPS accretive



We know ValueFirst ! It's been our customer for ~10 years and a great cultural fit

## Currently, Tanla & ValueFirst together has revenue of INR 4000 Cr and INR 481 Cr PAT

#### Figures in INR Cr, for FY'23

		Tanla consolidated (Existing)	New Consolidated entity <sup>1</sup>
	Revenue	3,355	~4,000 <sup>2</sup>
G	Gross Margin	837	1,007
	EBITDA	588	640
[	PAT	448	481
C	GM%	24.9%	25.2%
4	EBITDA %	17.5%	16.0%
	PAT%	13.4%	12.0%

### **Key insights**

### **O** Gross Margin Uplift of 30 bps:

INR 285 Cr revenue already part of Tanla revenue. However, associated Gross Margin will get accrued to consolidated figures with acquisition

EBITDA and PAT: Opportunity to improve 140-150 bps on consolidated basis within 12-18 months

1. Including 2 acquisitions of ValueFirst India and ValueFirst Middle East FZC. Numbers consolidated for easy understanding. All financial numbers of acquired entities are provisional, subject to audit

2. Interco. Overlap excluded

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