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Dear Sirs,

#### Sub: Audio recording of conference call for the quarter and year ended March 31, 2024

This has reference to our communication dated May 14, 2024 and pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 46(2)(oa)(i) read with Schedule III of Part A of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ('Listing Regulations'), this is to inform you that the audio recording of the conference call held today on the Company's performance for the quarter and year ended March 31, 2024 is available on Company's website at:

https://www.zee.com/investors/investor-financials/

This is for your information and record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For Zee Entertainment Enterprises Limited

Ashish Agarwal Company Secretary FCS6669



**Earnings Update for Q4 FY24** 

Zee Entertainment Enterprises Limited – 17 May 2024

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### **Key Performance Highlights**



#### Delivering growth coupled with effective cost management

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**FY24 Operating Revenue growth** 



FY24 EBITDA Margin

#### **Healthy Balance sheet and cash generation**

Rs 11.9Bn

Cash and Cash Equivalent as of Mar'24

Rs 1.0

Dividend (per share) announced by the Board of Directors

#### Linear business gains market share





FY24 All India TV Network Share; Up 30 bps YoY

#### **Healthy performance in digital continues**





FY24 Revenue Growth Red EB



Reduction in Q4 FY24 EBITDA losses YoY; FY24 EBITDA loss steady



Shows and Movies (Incl. 15 Originals) Released in FY24

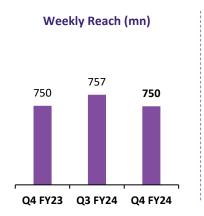


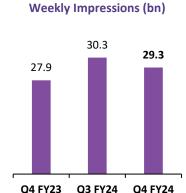
# **Business Performance**

# Domestic Linear: TV Landscape Continues to Remain Healthy; FY24 Network Market Share Up 30 bps YoY



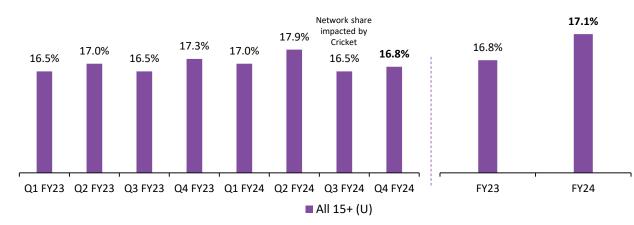
#### **TV Reach and Impressions**





Total TV viewership improved by 5% YoY

**ZEE Network Share** 



**Key Launches in Q4 FY24** 

#### **Invest & Grow**







#### **Strengthen & Monetize**











#### **Viewership Focus:**

Zee TV, Zee Marathi and Zee Tamil

#### **Monetization Focus:**

Zee Kannada, Zee Bangla, Zee Sarthak, Zee Telugu & Hindi movies/ Cinema













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### **ZEE5: Steady Growth Momentum Continues**



FY24 revenues up 24% YoY

FY23 FY24

9,195

Q4 FY24 revenues up 8% YoY

7,411

#### Q4 FY24 Highlights

16 shows and movies released during the quarter

#### **Q4 FY24 Impact Releases**

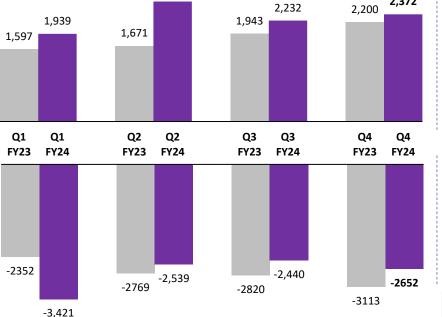












2,652

Q1 FY25 Slate









EBITDA\* (Rs Mn)

Total Revenue (Rs Mn)

**FY24 EBITDA loss** steady despite step up in investment across content, marketing and technology

-11,052

-11,054

### ZEE Studio: 1 Hindi and 1 Other Language Movies Released During Q4 FY24



#### Hindi Movies



Distributed by ZEE Studio



Produced by ZEE Studio

Other Language Movies

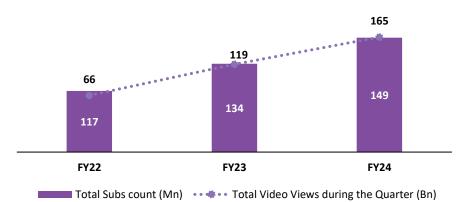
# Zee Music Company (ZMC) 2nd Largest Music Label with ~149 Mn Subscribers on YouTube



#### **Q4 FY24 Key Catalogue Additions**



# All ZMC YouTube Channels Video Views & Subscribers Count



Zee Music company added 15.8 Mn subscribers during the year on back of new acquisition and catalogue

Rights	Hindi	Other	Singles /
Acquired		Languages	Albums
in FY24	71	78	943

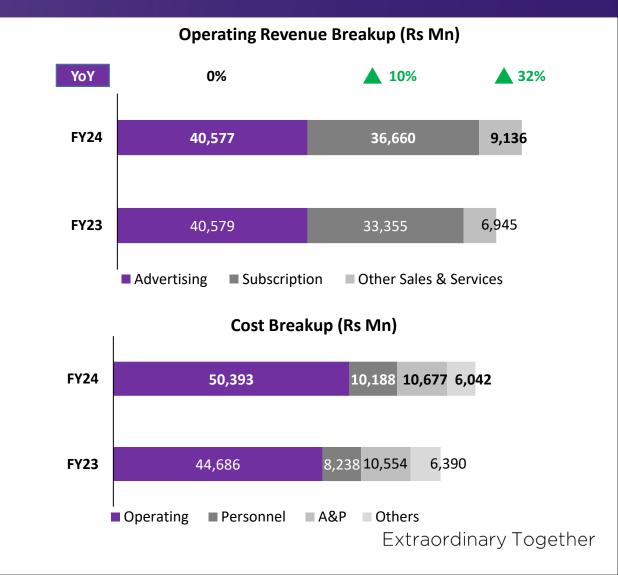


# FY24 & Q4 FY24 Financial Performance

# FY24 Revenue Growth of 6.8% Driven by Subscription Revenue and Other Sales & Services, EBITDA Margin Impacted by Investments in Content & Technology



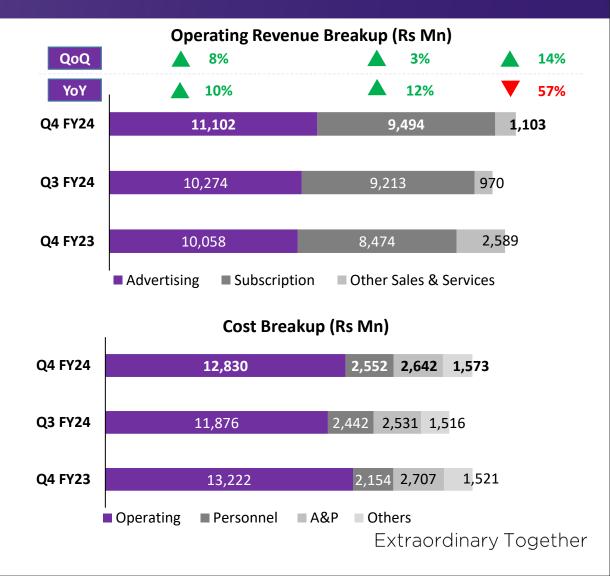
(INR Million)	FY23	FY24	YoY
Operating Revenue	80,879	86,372	6.8%
Expenditure	-69,868	-77,301	10.6%
EBITDA	11,011	9,071	-17.6%
EBITDA Margin	13.6%	10.5%	
Other Income	797	1,293	
Depreciation	-3,128	-3,091	
Finance cost	-702	-721	
Fair value through P&L	58	38	
Exceptional Items/ JV & Associate	-3,356	-2,780	
Profit Before Tax (PBT) from continuing operations	4,681	3,811	-18.6%
Provision for Tax	-2,167	-1,818	
Profit after Tax (PAT) from continuing operations	2,514	1,993	-20.7%
Profit from discontinuing operations	-2,036	-578	
Profit for the period/year	478	1,414	195.9%



# Q4 FY24 Growth in Ad Revenue led by FMCG; EBITDA Margin aided by Effective Cost Management & Operating Leverage



(INR Million)	Q4 FY23	Q3 FY24	Q4 FY24	QoQ	YoY
Operating Revenue	21,121	20,457	21,699	6.1%	2.7%
Expenditure	-19,604	-18,365	-19,597	6.7%	0.0%
EBITDA	1,517	2,092	2,103	0.5%	38.6%
EBITDA Margin	7.2%	10.2%	9.7%		
Other Income	142	277	154		
Depreciation	-833	-761	-772		
Finance cost	-396	-183	-69		
Fair value through P&L	0	0	0		
Exceptional Items/ JV & Associate	-899	-602	-276		
Profit Before Tax (PBT) from continuing operations	-469	821	1,140	38.8%	
Provision for Tax	260	288	1,018		
Profit after Tax (PAT) from continuing operations	-729	533	122	-77.2%	
Profit from discontinuing operations	-1,231	52	12		
Profit for the period/year	-1,960	585	134	-77.2%	



## **Q4 FY24: Improving Advertising Environment**



revenues environment and spending pickup by FMCG clients	
Subscription revenue growth driven by pick up in Linear subscription revenue post NTO 3.0 & ZEE5.	
Other Sales & Services revenues  Other sales and services revenue YoY down 57% due to fewer movie releases and syndication during the quarter.	
Operating cost  Programming and Technology cost declined YoY;  QoQ Programming cost increased primarily due to sports	
A&P and Other expense remain flat YoY  expenses	
EBITDA  EBITDA for the quarter came at Rs 2,103 Mn;  Q4 FY24 Margin at 9.7%;	
International revenue break-up  Q4 FY24 Advertising revenue : Rs 442 Mn, Subscription revenue : Rs 1,020 Mn, Other Sales & Services : Rs 264 Mn  Extraordinary T	

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### **Condensed Balance Sheet**



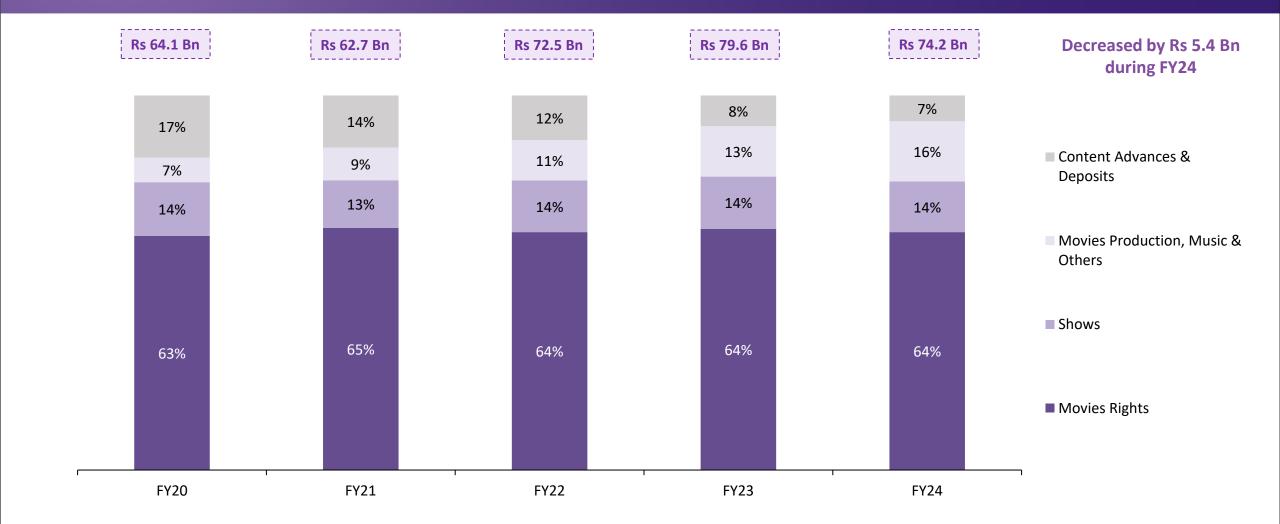
Assets (Rs. Mn)	Mar'23	Mar'24
Non-Current Assets		
Fixed assets	13,789	12,136
Investments	349	390
Other financial assets	589	603
Income tax & Deferred tax assets	8,496	9,024
Others Non-Current Assets	143	65
Current Assets		
Inventories	73,079	69,129
Cash and other investments	8,040	11,932
Trade receivables	16,088	17,016
Others financial assets	3,634	3,630
Other current assets	11,433	9,725
Non-current assets - HFS	1,645	846
Total Assets	1,37,284	1,34,497

Liabilities (Rs. Mn)	Mar'23	Mar'24
Equity Capital	1,07,219	1,08,729
Non-Current Liabilities		
Lease Liab/Other borrowings	2,167	1,622
Provisions	1,362	1,671
Current Liabilities		
Lease Liab/Other borrowings	653	682
Trade Payables	17,494	14,355
Other financial liabilities	4,247	2,816
Other current liabilities	3,690	4,421
Provisions	135	172
Income tax liabilities	103	12
Liabilities associated with assets- HFS	213	18
Total Equity & Liabilities	1,37,284	1,34,497

<sup>\*</sup>The cash & treasury investments of the company as of Mar'24 stood at Rs 11,932 Mn, including Cash balance of Rs 5,752 Mn and FDs of Rs 6,180 Mn

# Content Inventory, Advances and Deposits Declined in FY24 Driven by Optimised Acquisition and Movie releases





### **ZEEL Revenue Growth & Profitability Outlook**



Significant work already underway to implement identified margin improvement interventions across the business. Based on these efforts, our visibility and confidence on performance enhancement plan has further improved.

Q1 FY25

 Will see most of one-time higher costs towards implementing the interventions, offsetting underlying operating performance improvements and causing softness on margins



From Q2 FY25

- Gradual margin improvement to kick in
- FY25 margins to be meaningfully better than FY24

FY26

Aspire to deliver industry-leading 18-20% EBITDA margin



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