

Praj Industries (Praj) – BUY

Q2FY26 Result Update

Current Market Price (CMP)

Rs.334

Fair Value (FV)

Rs.500

Rationale:

- Beat on muted expectations; new businesses still in slow lane.
- Improves execution and margin qoq; lacking growth visibility.
- Underutilization of GenX facility continues to impact consolidated profitability.
- We defer uptick in ordering from CBG/EBP blending by 1/2 years in our estimates.
- We cut revenue estimates by 15% on deferral of EBP and CBG mandates.
- Our DCF-based FV to reduce to Rs500 from Rs580, implying 35X multiple on two-year-forward earnings.

👍 Positives:

- Consolidated results on revenue/EBITDA/PBT were 24%/27%/18% ahead of our muted expectations.
- Praj reported a sharp uptick in execution and improving margin qoq in Q2FY26 in a challenging external environment.
- We build in a 25% EBP target and a 10% blending target for CNG by FY34.
- Praj is working toward domestic brownfield projects & overseas.
- We envisage a 16%/17% CAGR for Praj's revenue/EBITDA over FY25-28E.

👎 Negatives:

- EBITDA margin and PAT margin down ~500 bps yoy.
- GenX facility losses continued to impact consolidated print.
- GenX facility sees audits from new customers; earlier prospects remain stalled.

(EBITDA: Earnings before interest, depreciation, amortization and tax, PAT: Profit after tax, CAGR: Compound Annual Growth Rate, DCF: Discounted Cash Flows, EBP: Ethanol Blending Program, CBG: Compressed Bio Gas, CNG: Compressed Natural Gas, PBT: Profit Before Tax)



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Holding Period: 12 months

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