

Pidilite Industries (PIDI) - ADD

Company Update

Current Market Price (CMP) Rs.1469	Fair Value (FV) Rs.1650
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Rationale:

- We hosted Sudhanshu Vats, CEO of Pidilite, and Sandeep Batra, CFO.
- PIDI is confident of sustaining ~10% Underlying volume growth (UVG).
- Growth would be supported by strong Double digit (DD) growth momentum in tile adhesives and the B2B segment.
- Company will also maintaining 23-24% EBITDA margins.
- Initiatives underway to unlock new growth engines—consumer portfolio expansion.
- We expect earnings to grow by 12.8% in FY27E & grow by 12.1% in FY28E.
- Incremental investments aimed at accelerating growth well justify the premium valuation.
- Reiterate ADD with a Fair Value of Rs1,650 (57X December 2027E PE).
- Stock is trading at 49.4 x FY28E earnings.

 Positives:

- Confident of sustaining growth trajectory and profitability.
- Strategic initiatives to accelerate revenue growth.
- PIDI intends to grow its core category at 1-2X GDP.
- PIDI launched Pidilite Professional Solutions (PPS) division to capture the projects business.

 Negatives:

- PIDI intends to prioritize growth over margin maximization.



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Holding Period: 12 months

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