

LG Electronics (LGEL) - REDUCE

Initiating Coverage

Current Market Price (CMP) Rs.1566	Fair Value (FV) Rs.1600
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Rationale:

- LG Electronics India is the market leader in major home appliances and consumer electronics (excluding mobile phones) in India.
- Key strengths: Highly diversified product portfolio, strong parentage, best-in- class profitability, deep technological leadership, extensive distribution/service network.
- Growth drivers include expansion into new categories, launch of affordable/India-specific products, scaling B2B solutions, strengthening service /subscription models.
- Indian appliance market is poised for a double-digit revenue CAGR over CY25-40E.
- We estimate ~10%/10.6%/10% revenue/EBITDA/PAT CAGRs over FY25-28E.
- Initiate with a REDUCE and DCF-based FV of Rs1,600 (~37x FY28E PE).

👍 Positives:

- LG Electronics is a formidable player in large appliances in India, with a >25% market share in washing machine/refrigerator/TV.
- Strong parentage enables LG Electronics India to stay ahead of the curve on the innovation front.
- LG’s diversified portfolio should ensure lower volatility in operational performance.
- LG India’s revenue share of premium products is higher than the industry average.

👎 Negatives:

- Key downside risks for investors include market share loss, changes in related-party transaction terms (including royalty) and a reduction in government grants.

(B2B: Business to Business; CAGR: Compound Annual Growth Rate; EBITDA: Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortization; PAT: Profit After Tax; DCF: Discounted Cash Flow)



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Holding Period: 12 months

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