

Hindustan Unilever Limited

EQUITY QUARTERLY REPORT

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CMP: 2,342.95

INDEX DETAILS	
SENSEX	76404.99
NIFTY (S&P CNX)	23155.35

(Source: Capitaline, Investing.com)

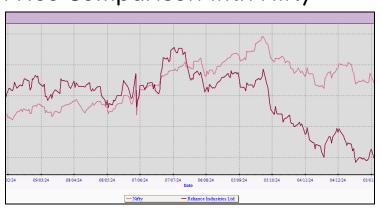
SCRIP DETAILS	
Industry	Diversified FMCG
Mkt Cap (Rs in Crore)	545786.56
Book Value (Rs)	216.11
Free Float (%)	38.10
Avg Vol Weekly (NSE)	2125027
52 Week H/L (NSE)	3035 / 2170
Dividend Yield (%)	1.81
BSE Code	500696
NSE Code	HINDUNILVR

(Source: Investing.com)

SHAREHOLDING PATTERN (%)								
PARTICULARS	LATEST QUARTER	PREVIOUS QUARTER						
Promoters	61.90	61.90						
FIIs	11.43	12.18						
DIIs	13.95	13.45						
Others	12.72	12.47						
Totals	100	100						

(Source: Capitaline)

Price Comparison with Nifty



NP increased 18.93% due to one time gain

On consolidated basis

Quarter ended December 2024 compared with Quarter ended December 2023

Net sales (including other operating income) of Hindustan Unilever has increased 1.61% to Rs 15818 crore. Sales of Home Care segment has gone up 5.42% to Rs 5739 crore (accounting for 36.28% of total sales). Sales of Beauty & Wellbeing segment has gone up 2.57% to Rs 3356 crore (accounting for 22.48% of total sales). Sales of Personal Care segment has gone down 3.11% to Rs 2243 crore (accounting for 14.18% of total sales). Sales of Foods segment rose 0.32% to Rs 3745 crore (accounting for 23.68% of total sales). Sales of Others segment has gone down 12.01% to Rs 535 crore (accounting for 3.38% of total sales).

Profit before interest, tax and other unallocable items (PBIT) has jumped 0.03% to Rs 3354 crore. PBIT of Home Care segment rose 9.81% to Rs 1086 crore (accounting for 32.38% of total PBIT). PBIT of Beauty & Wellbeing segment fell 7.12% to Rs 1018 crore (accounting for 30.35% of total PBIT). PBIT of Personal Care segment rose 8.67% to Rs 401 crore (accounting for 11.96% of total PBIT). PBIT of Foods segment rose 6.19% to Rs 755 crore (accounting for 22.51% of total PBIT). PBIT of Others segment fell 50% to Rs 94 crore (accounting for 2.80% of total PBIT).

PBIT margin of Home Care segment rose from 18.17% to 18.92%. PBIT margin of Beauty & Wellbeing segment fell from 31.61% to 28.63%. PBIT margin of Personal Care segment rose from 15.94% to 17.88%. PBIT margin of Foods segment rose from 19.05% to 20.16%. PBIT margin of others segment fell from 30.92% to 17.57%. Overall PBIT margin fell from 21.54% to 21.2%.

Operating profit margin has declined from 23.55% to 23.36%, leading to 0.79% rise in operating profit to Rs 3,695.00 crore. Raw material cost as a % of total sales (net of stock adjustments) decreased from 31.85% to 30.26%. Purchase of finished goods cost rose from 16.90% to 18.02%. Employee cost increased from 4.47% to 4.73%. Other expenses fell from 23.55% to 23.44%. Selling and administration expenses fell from 10.30% to 9.60%.

Other income rose 8.41% to Rs 232 crore. PBIDT rose 1.21% to Rs 3927 crore. Provision for interest rose 23.08% to Rs 112 crore.

PBDT rose 0.69% to Rs 3815 crore. Provision for depreciation rose 8.95% to Rs 341 crore.

Profit before tax down 0.06% to Rs 3,474.00 crore. Exceptional items was Rs 507 crore compared to a loss of Rs 30 crore. Provision for tax was expense of Rs 993 crore, compared to Rs 937 crore. Effective tax rate was 24.94% compared to 27.20%.

Net profit attributable to owners of the company increased 18.93% to Rs 2,984.00 crore.

Promoters' stake was 61.90% as of 31 December 2024, compared to 61.90% as of 31 December 2023.

For Year-To-Date (YTD) Results Analysis

Net sales (including other operating income) of Hindustan Unilever has increased 1.64% to Rs 47451 crore. Sales of Home Care segment has gone up 6% to Rs 17,143 crore (accounting for 36.13% of total sales). Sales of Beauty & Wellbeing segment has gone up 2.85% to Rs 10,258 crore (accounting for 21.62% of total sales). Sales of Personal Care segment has gone down 4.2% to Rs 7040 crore (accounting for 14.84% of total sales). Sales of Foods segment rose 0.15% to Rs 11,398 crore (accounting for 24.02% of total sales). Sales of Others segment has gone down 10.89% to Rs 1612 crore (accounting for 3.4% of total sales).

Profit before interest, tax and other unallocable items (PBIT) has fell 0.08% to Rs 10,224 crore. PBIT of Home Care segment rose 10.61% to Rs 3336 crore (accounting for 32.63% of total PBIT). PBIT of Beauty & Wellbeing segment fell 2.93% to Rs 3142 crore (accounting for 30.73% of total PBIT). PBIT of Personal Care segment fell 3.82% to Rs 1233 crore (accounting for 12.06% of total PBIT). PBIT of Foods segment rose 3.27% to Rs 2181 crore (accounting for 21.33% of total PBIT). PBIT of Others segment fell 43.25% to Rs 332 crore (accounting for 3.25% of total PBIT).

PBIT margin of Home Care segment rose from 18.65% to 19.46%. PBIT margin of Beauty & Wellbeing segment fell from 32.45% to 30.63%. PBIT margin of Personal Care segment rose from 17.44% to 17.51%. PBIT margin of Foods segment rose from 18.56% to 19.13%. PBIT margin of Others segment fell from 32.34% to 20.6%. Overall PBIT margin fell from 21.92% to 21.55%.

Operating profit margin has declined from 23.84% to 23.67%, leading to 0.93% rise in operating profit to Rs 11,232.00 crore. Raw material cost as a % of total sales (net of stock adjustments) decreased from 31.31% to 30.73%. Purchase of finished goods cost rose from 16.99% to 17.80%. Employee cost increased from 4.65% to 4.67%. Other expenses fell from 23.26% to 23.20%. Selling and administration expenses fell from 10.42% to 9.85%.

Other income rose 22.07% to Rs 708 crore. PBIDT rose 1.98% to Rs 11940 crore. Provision for interest rose 37.55% to Rs 315 crore.

PBDT rose 1.27% to Rs 11625 crore. Provision for depreciation rose 12.50% to Rs 1008 crore.

Profit before tax grew 0.32% to Rs 10,617.00 crore. Share of profit/loss was 75% lower at Rs -7 crore. Exceptional items was Rs 443 crore compared to a loss of Rs 72 crore. Provision for tax was expense of Rs 2857 crore, compared to Rs 2786 crore. Effective tax rate was 25.85% compared to 26.52%.

Minority interest increased 450% to Rs 11.00 crore. Net profit attributable to owners of the company increased 6.04% to Rs 8,185.00 crore.

Promoters' stake was 61.90% as of 31 December 2024, compared to 61.90% as of 31 December 2023.

Cash flow from operating activities increased to Rs 15,469.00 crore for year ended March 2024 from Rs 9,991.00 crore for year ended March 2023. Cash flow used in acquiring fixed assets during the year ended March 2024 stood at Rs 1,477.00 crore, compared to Rs 1,192.00 crore during the year ended March 2023.

Other Highlights

Strong In Q3 FY25, the company delivered flat underlying volume growth (UVG) affected by negative mix. Underlying Sales Growth (USG) was 2% YoY.

In line with its strategic intent, the company has made acquisitions in fast-growing spaces. The company has signed the Share Purchase and Subscription Agreement (SPSA) to acquire 90.5% of Uprising Science's shares. Uprising is engaged in the business of haircare and skincare products under the brand name "Minimalist," primarily selling its products in India. The acquisition includes a secondary buyout for Rs 2670 crore at a pre-money valuation of Rs 2955 crore (subject to adjustments) and a primary investment of Rs 45 crore. The company will also acquire the remaining 9.5% of Uprising's shares as per the terms outlined in the SPSA. This acquisition is a key step in transforming the company's Beauty & Wellbeing portfolio, focusing on evolving and high-growth demand areas.

The company also approved the acquisition of the palm undertaking of Vishwatej Oil Industries, as a part of HUL's Palm localization strategy. Palm and its derivatives are a key feedstock to manufacture a variety of HUL's Personal Care, Beauty and Home Care products and are largely imported from Indonesia and Malaysia. HUL's palm localization strategy aims to build supply chain resilience for palm derivatives through backward integration. The palm undertaking is based in the Kamareddy district of Telangana. The proposed plan involves setting up sapling nurseries, palm fresh fruit bunch collection centres and a state-of-the-art palm oil mill in the state.

The company demerged its ice cream business through a Board-approved arrangement and created a wholly owned subsidiary called 'Kwality Wall's (India).' This subsidiary will handle the demerged ice cream business. This demerger will provide management with greater flexibility to deploy strategies suited to Ice Cream's distinctive business model. HUL

shareholders will receive shares of the new entity in a 1:1 ratio, meaning they will get additional shares of the demerged business.

Management Comments:

Rohit Jawa, CEO and Managing Director commented: "FMCG demand trends remained subdued with continued moderation in urban growth while rural sustained its gradual recovery. In this operating context, we delivered competitive growth by driving unmissable brand superiority, investing behind brands and capabilities whilst maintaining healthy margins. In line with our strategic intent to transform our portfolio in fast-growing spaces, I am excited to announce the acquisition of the premium actives-led beauty brand Minimalist. This acquisition is another key step to grow our Beauty & Wellbeing portfolio in the high growth masstige beauty segment. We continue to make progress on unlocking a billion aspirations by contemporizing our core business, driving premiumization through our future core business and ushering market-making in new demand spaces. While we keep a close watch on the pace of recovery and the broader economic outlook in the short term, we remain confident of the medium to long term opportunity in the Indian FMCG sector and HUL's ability to grow competitively."

Hindustan Unilever: Consolidated Results

Particulars	(Quarter ended			Year to Date		Year ended			
Particulars	Q3FY25	Q3FY24 Var.(%)		9MFY25	9MFY24	Var.(%)	FY24	FY23	Var.(%)	
Net Sales (including other operating income)	15,818.00	15,567.00	1.61	47,451.00	46,686.00	1.64	61,896.00	60,580.00	80.00 2.17	
OPM (%)	23.36	23.55	-19 bps	23.67	23.84	-17 bps	23.69	23.35	34 bps	
OP	3,695.00	3,666.00	0.79	11,232.00	11,128.00	0.93	14,663.00	14,148.00	3.64	
Other Inc.	232	214	8.41	708	580	22.07	811	512	58.4	
PBIDT	3,927.00	3,880.00	1.21	11,940.00	11,708.00	1.98	15,474.00	14,660.00	5.55	
Interest	112	91	23.08	315	229	37.55	334	114	192.98	
PBDT	3,815.00	3,789.00	0.69	11,625.00	11,479.00	1.27	15,140.00	14,546.00	4.08	
Depreciation	341	313	8.95	1008	896	12.5	1216	1137	6.95	
PBT	3,474.00	3,476.00	-0.06	10617	10583	0.32	13924	13409	3.84	
Share of Profit/(Loss) from Associates	1	-1	LP	-7	-4	-75	-4	-1	-300	
PBT before EO	3475	3475	0	10610	10579	0.29	13920	13408	3.82	
EO Income	507	-30	LP	443	-72	LP	6	-64	LP	
PBT after EO	3982	3445	15.59	11053	10507	5.2	13926	13344	4.36	
Taxation	993	937	5.98	2857	2786	2.55	3644	3201	13.84	
PAT	2989	2508	19.18	8196	7721	6.15	10282	10143	1.37	
Minority Interest (MI)	5	-1	PL	11	2	450	5	23	-78.26	
Net profit	2984	2509	18.93	8185	7719	6.04	10277	10120	1.55	
P/(L) from discontinued operations net of tax	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-	
Net profit after discontinued operations	2984	2509	18.93	8185	7719	6.04	10277	10120	1.55	
EPS (Rs)*	11.08	10.77	2.89	33.44	33.08	1.09	43.72	43.28	1.02	

(Source: NSE)

HUL: Consolidated Segment results

Particulars	Quarter ended				Year to Date				Year ended			
	% of Total	Q3FY25	Q3FY24	Var.%	% of Total	9MFY25	9MFY24	Var.%	% of Total	FY24	FY23	Var.%
Home Care	36.28%	5739	5444	5.42%	36.13%	17143	16173	6.00%	35.35%	21882	21223	3.11%
Beauty & Wellbeing	22.48%	3556	3467	2.57%	21.62%	10258	9974	2.85%	21.06%	13037	22022	-40.80%
Personal Care	14.18%	2243	2315	-3.11%	14.84%	7040	7349	-4.20%	15.20%	9411	0	100.00%
Foods & Refreshment	23.68%	3745	3733	0.32%	24.02%	11398	11381	0.15%	24.70%	15291	14876	2.79%
Others (includes Exports, Infant & Feminine Care etc.)	3.38%	535	608	-12.01%	3.40%	1612	1809	-10.89%	3.68%	2275	2459	-7.48%
Total Reportable Segment		15818	15567	1.61%		47451	46686	1.64%		61896	60580	2.17%
Un allocated		0	0	0.00%		0	0	0.00%		0	0	0.00%
Total		15818	15567	1.61%		47451	46686	1.64%		61896	60580	2.17%
Less: Inter segment revenues		0	0	0.00%		0	0	0.00%		0	0	0.00%
Net sales		15818	15567	1.61%		47451	46686	1.64%		61896	60580	2.17%
PBIT												
Home Care	32.38%	1086	989	9.81%	32.63%	3336	3016	10.61%	30.69%	4127	3913	5.47%
Beauty & Wellbeing	30.35%	1018	1096	-7.12%	30.73%	3142	3237	-2.93%	30.85%	4149	5647	-26.53%
Personal Care	11.96%	401	369	8.67%	12.06%	1233	1282	-3.82%	12.35%	1661	0	100.00%
Foods & Refreshment	22.51%	755	711	6.19%	21.33%	2181	2112	3.27%	21.20%	2851	2662	7.10%
Others (includes Exports, Infant & Feminine Care etc.)	2.80%	94	188	-50.00%	3.25%	332	585	-43.25%	4.90%	659	790	-16.58%
Total		3354	3353	0.03%		10224	10232	-0.08%		13447	13012	3.34%
Add/(Less): Exceptional Items [net credit/(charge)]		507	-30	LP		443	-72	LP		6	-64	-109.3%
Less: Finance Costs		112	91	23.08%		315	229	37.55%		334	114	192.98%
Add/(Less): Finance Income and Other unallocable income net of unallocable expenditure		233	213	9.39%		701	576	21.70%		807	511	57.93%
PBT		3982	3445	15.59%		11053	10507	5.20%		13926	13345	4.35%

(Source: NSE)

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