

# **JSW Steel Limited**

#### **EQUITY QUARTERLY REPORT**

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INDEX DETAILS	
SENSEX	76190.46
NIFTY (S&P CNX)	23092.2

(Source: Capitaline, Investing.com)

SCRIP DETAILS				
Industry	Iron & Steel			
Mkt Cap (Rs in Crore)	227977.45			
Book Value (Rs)	325.52			
Free Float (%)	55.15			
Avg Vol Weekly (NSE)	1732272			
52 Week H/L (NSE)	1063 / 762			
Dividend Yield (%)	0.98			
BSE Code	500228			
NSE Code	JSWSTEEL			

(Source: Investing.com)

SHAREHOLDING PATTERN (%)						
PARTICULARS	LATEST QUARTER	PREVIOUS QUARTER				
Promoters	44.85	44.84				
FIIs	10.58	10.66				
DIIs	10.59	10.53				
Others	33.98	33.97				
Totals	100	100				

(Source: Capitaline)

## Price Comparison with Nifty



#### Consolidated capex spend was Rs 3,087 crore

Net sales (including other operating income) of JSW Steel has declined 1.34% to Rs 41378 crore. Operating profit margin has declined from 17.12% to 13.48%, leading to 22.30% decline in operating profit to Rs 5,579.00 crore. Raw material cost as a % of total sales (net of stock adjustments) increased from 52.70% to 53.80%. Purchase of finished goods cost fell from 0.50% to 0.27%. Employee cost increased from 2.57% to 2.79%. Other expenses rose from 28.64% to 29.57%. Power and Oil fuel cost rose from 8.32% to 9.94%. Other direct service costs fell from 5.90% to 4.91%.

Other income fell 24.23% to Rs 147 crore. PBIDT fell 22.35% to Rs 5726 crore. Provision for interest rose 5.96% to Rs 2115 crore.

The company registered operating EBITDA of Rs 5,579 crores, with an EBITDA margin of 13.5% during the quarter. The EBITDA increased by 3% QoQ as fall in steel realisations was offset by higher volumes and lower costs primarily coking coal.

Consolidated crude steel production for the quarter stood at 7.03 million tonnes, higher by 2% YoY and 4% QoQ. Capacity utilization at the Indian operations was 91% during the quarter. Steel sales for the quarter stood at 6.71 million tonnes, higher by 12% YoY and 10% QoQ.

PBDT fell 32.86% to Rs 3611 crore. Provision for depreciation rose 13.45% to Rs 2336 crore.

Profit before tax down 61.58% to Rs 1,275.00 crore. Provision for tax was an expense of Rs 459 crore, compared to Rs 853 crore. Effective tax rate was 38.96% compared to 25.83%.

Minority interest decreased 94.29% to Rs 2.00 crore. Net profit attributable to owners of the company decreased 70.31% to Rs 717.00 crore.

Promoters' stake was 44.85% as of 31 December 2024, compared to 44.81% as of 31 December 2023. Promoters' pledged stake was 14.07% as of 31 December 2024, compared to 14.80% as of 31 December 2023.

Net Debt as of 31st December 2024 stood at Rs 80,921 crore, lower by Rs 1,884 crores as against 30th September 2024, on cash generated from operations and release of working capital. At the end of the Quarter, Net Gearing (Net Debt to Equity) stood at 1.00x as against 1.01x at the end of Q2FY25, and leverage (Net Debt to EBITDA) stood at 3.57x, as against 3. 41x at the end of Q2FY25.

#### **Indian Operations Performance**

Crude steel production at the Indian operations for the quarter was at 6.82 million tonnes, higher by 3% YoY as well as QoQ. Steel sales for the quarter were 6.54 million tonnes, higher by 12% YoY and 10% QoQ. Domestic sales during the quarter were highest ever at 5.99 million tonnes, growing 8% QoQ and 14% YoY, supported by strong institutional and retail sales. A better product mix resulted in sales of VASP at 3.9 million tonnes, which increased by 9% QoQ and 12% YoY. Exports constituted 8% of sales from the Indian operations for Q3 FY25 vs. 7% of sales in Q2 FY25.

Operating EBITDA of the Indian Operations was Rs 5,564 crore for the Quarter, lower by 20% YoY and higher by 1% QoQ. The EBITDA per ton was Rs 8,516 per ton and margin for the Quarter was 14.1%. Profit after Tax at Rs 1,091 crores for the quarter was down by 57% YoY and increased by 31% QoQ.

#### **Standalone Performance**

Standalone crude steel production for the quarter was at 5.70 million tonnes, lower by 0.4% YoY and 1% QoQ. Steel Sales for the quarter were 5.59 million tonnes, higher by 7% YoY and 6% QoQ.

Standalone revenue from operations during the quarter was Rs 31,799 crore, lower by 5% YoY and higher by 3% QoQ. Standalone operating EBITDA at Rs 4,397 crores for the Quarter was lower by 24% YoY and 5% QoQ. The EBITDA margin for the quarter was 13.8%. Standalone Profit after Tax of Rs 1,786 crores for the quarter was down by 47% YoY and 1% QoQ.

### **Subsidiaries performance**

**Bhushan Power & Steel (BPSL):** Crude steel production for the quarter stood at 0.96 million tonnes and finished steel sales were 0.88 million tonnes. Revenue from Operations and Operating EBITDA for the quarter stood at Rs 5,340 crores and Rs 541 crores, respectively. The EBITDA increased by 25% QoQ mainly due to higher volumes and lower coking coal prices which were partially offset by lower sales realisation. BPSL reported a Profit after Tax of Rs 11 crores for the quarter.

**JSW Steel Coated Products (Consolidated):** During the quarter, JSW Steel Coated Products registered production volume (GI/GL, Tin, CRCA & other saleable products) of 1.15 million tonnes and sales volume of 1.15 million tonnes as well. Revenue from operations for the quarter stood at Rs 8,600 crores, and EBITDA was Rs 496 crores. The EBITDA is higher by 45% QoQ driven by higher sales volumes and accrual of PLI Incentives of Rs 73 crores for the tinplate facility. JSW Steel Coated Products reported a Profit after Tax of Rs 170 crores for the quarter.

**JSW Steel USA Ohio:** The EAF-based steel manufacturing facility in Ohio, USA, produced 2,31,872 net tonnes of Slabs during the quarter. Capacity utilization improved to 64% during the quarter, following a maintenance shutdown in Q2. Sales volumes for the quarter stood at 63,817 net tonnes of HRC and 1,28,394 net tonnes of Slabs. It reported an EBITDA loss of US\$ 15.58 million for the quarter, mainly due to lower sales realisation.

**US Plate & Pipe Mill:** The plate & pipe mill based in Texas, USA produced 1,09,490 net tonnes of Plates and 11,287 net tonnes of Pipes, reporting a capacity utilization of 43% and 8%, respectively, during the quarter. Sales volumes for the quarter stood at 90,796 net tonnes of Plates and 12,210 net tonnes of Pipes. It reported an EBITDA loss of US\$ 2.29 million. EBITDA was lower QoQ due to lower sales realization as prices of plates declined during the quarter.

**Italy Operations:** The Italy based Rolled long products manufacturing facility produced 68,909 tonnes and sold 65,152 tonnes of rolled products during the quarter. It reported an EBITDA of Euro 1.85 million for the quarter. EBITDA was lower QoQ mainly due to lower sales volumes and decline in realisation.

#### **Update on Projects:**

The Hot Strip Mill of the 5 MTPA project at Vijayanagar, set up by wholly owned subsidiary, JSW Vijayanagar Metallics Ltd. (JVML), was commissioned in March 2024. Subsequently, the Raw Material Handling System, Sinter Plant and the Blast Furnace were commissioned in Q2 FY25. One of the two Casters and Converters at SMS unit have started operations during Q3 FY25. The second Caster will also start in January 2025. It expects ramp-up of the expansion project during Q4 FY25.

The colour coated line of 0.12 MTPA in Jammu & Kashmir under JSW Steel Coated Products Ltd. started operating during Q3FY25 and is under trial-run.

The 30 MTPA slurry pipeline in Odisha is also progressing well, with commissioning expected in FY27.

The Company's consolidated capex spend during Q3 FY25 was Rs 3,087 crores, and the total spend for 9M was Rs 10,937 crores.

#### For year-to-date (YTD) results analysis

Net sales (including other operating income) of JSW Steel has declined 3.68% to Rs 124005 crore. Operating profit margin has declined from 17.18% to 13.33%, leading to 25.26% decline in operating profit to Rs 16,526.00 crore. Raw material cost as a % of total sales (net of stock adjustments) increased from 52.17% to 52.98%. Purchase of finished goods cost fell from 0.52% to 0.24%. Employee cost increased from 2.60% to 2.92%. Other expenses rose from 28.01% to 30.50%. Power and Oil fuel cost rose from 8.64% to 9.60%. Other direct service costs rose from 5.63% to 5.75%.

Other income fell 39.11% to Rs 464 crore. PBIDT fell 25.72% to Rs 16990 crore. Provision for interest rose 4.55% to Rs 6318 crore.

PBDT fell 36.59% to Rs 10672 crore. Provision for depreciation rose 13.95% to Rs 6812 crore.

Profit before tax down 64.43% to Rs 3,860.00 crore. Share of profit/loss was 8.11% higher at Rs -68 crore. Provision for tax was an expense of Rs 1357 crore, compared to Rs 3717 crore. Effective tax rate was 40.54% compared to 32.70%.

Net profit attributable to owners of the company decreased 73.37% to Rs 2,001.00 crore.

Promoters' stake was 44.85% as of 31 December 2024, compared to 44.81% as of 31 December 2023. Promoters' pledged stake was 14.07% as of 31 December 2024, compared to 14.80% as of 31 December 2023.

## **Outlook as per company**

Global economic growth remains steady, with the IMF forecasting 3.3% growth for 2025 compared to 3.2% for 2024. However, growth prospects are uneven, with the robust US economy partly offset by weakness in several other economies. While global inflation is moderating, price pressures persist in certain sectors, particularly services, in the US and Europe. Potential tariff escalations and ongoing geopolitical tensions pose risks to inflation and global growth.

In the US, robust growth continues with labour markets cooling gradually. Supportive fiscal policy such as increased investments in domestic manufacturing and tax cuts could further accelerate near-term growth. However, following 100 bps of rate cuts between September and December 2024, the Fed is expected to moderate the pace of monetary easing. Potential tariff increases could disrupt the ongoing decline in inflation.

China GDP growth picked up in Q4 2024 with an improved trend in consumption and manufacturing post the stimulus announcements in end-September 2024. The Property sector continues to contract although some early and tentative signs of stabilisation are emerging, aided by targeted policy interventions. Looking ahead to 2025, fiscal and monetary stimulus is expected to continue as the government prioritizes economic recovery and structural reforms.

In Europe, growth remains subdued, with Germany trailing other major Euro Area economies. While manufacturing and exports continue to struggle, consumption is showing early signs of recovery, supported by improvements in real incomes. Modest growth is anticipated in 2025, though it is expected to remain below pre-pandemic trends. Ongoing rate cuts are likely to support the gradual recovery, but policy and political uncertainties continue to weigh on sentiment and economic prospects.

In Japan, a modest economic recovery was experienced in the second half of 2024, with momentum expected to strengthen in 2025 as manufacturing activity approaches stabilization. Greater conviction about inflation attaining target levels is likely to prompt rate hikes in 2025, signalling a shift towards normalisation of monetary policy.

The Indian economy has experienced some moderation in growth, with advance estimates by India`s NSO projecting GDP growth of 6.4% for FY25. However, growth momentum is expected to pick up in Q4 FY25, supported by a recovery in government capital expenditure. Rural consumption prospects remain strong, driven by a robust Kharif harvest and a positive Rabi outlook. Urban consumption faced some headwinds this year due to slower bank credit growth and elevated food inflation. Inflation is anticipated to ease in the coming months with improved food supplies, creating room for the RBI to begin monetary policy easing. In the auto sector, passenger and commercial vehicle markets have experienced a relatively modest trend this year while two-wheelers and tractors have seen a better traction; outlook for both these segments is healthy, buoyed by strong rural demand. Fiscal consolidation continues to progress, with the government deficit continuing to improve.

## **JSW Steel: Consolidated Results**

Particulars	Quarter ended			Year to Date			Year ended		
	Q3FY25	Q3FY24	Var.(%)	9MFY25	9MFY24	Var.(%)	FY24	FY23	Var.(%)
Net Sales (including other operating income)	41,378	41,940	-1	1,24,005	1,28,737	-4	1,75,006	1,65,960	5
OPM (%)	13.5	17.1		13.33	17.2		16.13	11.2	
OP	5,579	7,180	-22	16,526	22,112	-25	28,236	18,547	52
Other Inc.	147	194	-24	464	762	-39	1,004	1,030	-3
PBIDT	5,726	7,374	-22	16,990	22,874	-26	29,240	19,577	49
Interest	2,115	1,996	6	6,318	6,043	5	8,105	6,902	17
PBDT	3,611	5,378	-33	10,672	16,831	-37	21,135	12,675	67
Depreciation	2,336	2,059	13	6,812	5,978	14	8,172	7,474	9
PBT	1,275	3,319	-62	3,860	10,853	-64	12,963	5,201	149
Share of Profit/(Loss) from Associates	6	-16	LP	-68	-74	8	-172	-137	-26
PBT before EO	1,281	3,303	-61	3,792	10,779	-65	12,791	5,064	153
EO Income	-103	0	-	-445	589	PL	589	591	0
PBT after EO	1,178	3,303	-64	3,347	11,368	-71	13,380	5,655	137
Taxation	459	853	-46	1,357	3,717	-63	4,407	1,516	191
PAT	719	2,450	-71	1,990	7,651	-74	8,973	4,139	117
Minority Interest (MI)	2	35	-94	-11	138	LP	161	-5	PL
Net profit	717	2,415	-70	2,001	7,513	-73	8,812	4,144	113
EPS (Rs)*	#	#		#	#		34.4	15.2	

(Source: NSE)

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