

RATING MIX

Rating : BUY @ INR42
Target : INR 65
Target Period : 15-18 Months
Potential Upside : 54.6 percent

KEY DATA

Bloomberg Code : ACCE.IN
Reuters Code : ACEL.NS
Avg Volume (3M) : 1,354,331
52 Week High/Low : 51/31
Mkt Cap (Full/Free Float in : 4,140/1320

INR Million)

Shareholding	Jun - 16	Mar - 16	Dec - 15
Promoters	68.10	68.09	68.09
Public	31.90	31.91	31.91
Others			
TOTAL	100.00	100.00	100.00

Right Horizons Score Matrix®

Quantitative Score	1.36	BELOW PAR
Qualitative Score	1.37	EXCELLENT
Overall Score	2.73	SATISFACTORY

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FINANCIALS	FY16	FY17(E)	FY18(E)			
Revenue	6,373	7,329	8,795			
Growth (YoY)		15.0%	20.0%			
EBIT	196	385	510			
EBIT Margin	3.1%	5.2%	5.8%			
Net Profit	88	211	305			
Net Margin	1.4%	2.9%	3.5%			
Basic EPS	0.8	1.8	2.6			
P/E Ratio	55.94	23.30	16.17			
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All the figures are in INR Million and Price multiples are based on TTM calculations

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ACTION CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT LTD

Bottomed Up! A strong turnaround is expected...

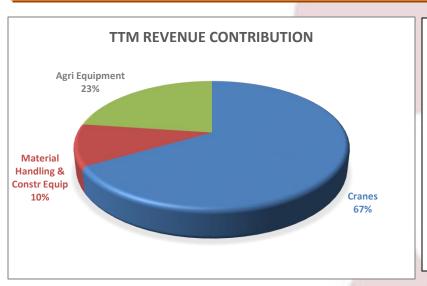
Action Construction Equipment Ltd (ACE) reported YoY revenue growth of 11.9% to INR1.54 billion during Q1-FY17 over corresponding period previous year; while EBITDA grew at a YoY rate of 36.2% during the similar period. The revenue was mainly driven by 'Crane' and 'Material Handling & Construction Equipment' (MH&CE) segments, which reported YoY revenue growth of 25.6% and 26.5% respectively during the quarter. However, 'Agri Equipment' segment declined YoY by 26.0% due to impact over sales volume in key markets (UP & Haryana) of ACE. Stellar performance in Cranes business improved its revenue contribution from 61.1% in Q1FY16 to 68.8% in Q1FY17, while MH&CE business improved contribution from 11.3% to 12.9% during the similar period.

At standalone level, Operating Profit (EBIT) of the company reported strong YoY growth of 49.7% to INR62 million during Q1-FY17 over Q1-FY16 and significantly outpaced the revenue performance. Profitability improved due to slower growth reported by 'Material Cost', which accounted 76.3% of revenue in Q1FY17, against 77.5% reported during Q1FY16. As a result, both EBITDA and EBIT margins reported improvement of 109bps and 102bps respectively during the quarter. In addition, decline of 1.2% YoY in 'Finance Cost' and significant YoY decline in tax rate from 42.5% in Q1FY16 to 25.1% in Q1FY17 aided bottom-line. Resultantly, net profit reported YoY growth of 175.2% to INR30 million, while net margin improved by 116bps during the quarter.

- > ACE is India's leading material handling & construction equipment manufacturing company with over 50% market share in mobile & tower crane segment. Company has also entered in agri, defence and road construction equipment manufacturing. Though the contribution in total revenue from these new segments is very minimal; however, with above normal monsoon and thrust of current government over infra could provide strong growth opportunity in long run.
- ACE caters to a large clientele base which includes major Indian as well as International players such as Reliance, L&T, BHEL, Coal India, Indian Railways, KEC International, Airport Authority of India, Ministry of Defence, NTPC, ABB, etc. In addition, company has export network in over 25 countries.
- ACE has been reporting double digit revenue growth with strong margin improvement since past couple of quarter. Earlier the growth was subdued due to sluggish Engineering & Construction (E&C) segment in India. Management has given guidance of 15-20% overall revenue upside in FY17 and Crane segment would be the driver with growth potential of 25-30%.
- ➤ ACE reported TTM EBITDA and net margin of 5.1% and 1.6% respectively. Profit margins expanded during past couple of quarters with improving capacity utilization. ACE management has also given guidance of 7.5-8.0% EBITDA margin and around 4.0% of PBT margin in FY17. Better profitability improved TTM Interest Coverage ratio from 0.9x to 1.5x during past 12 months. Company reported Total Debt to Equity of 0.32 and Total Asset Turnover of 1.00x (as reported at the end of March 31st 2016)



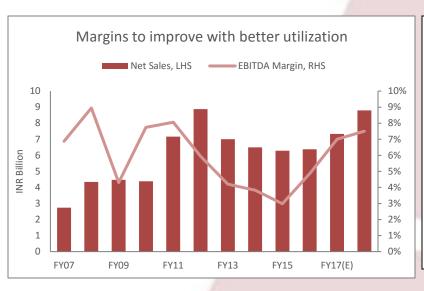
KEY METRICS & OPERATING PERFORMANCE



ACE is the largest players in domestic mobile crane manufacturing segment with over 50% market share

Company is planning to capitalize the upcoming growth opportunity in various sub sectors under E&C; thus diversifying it product mix in Agri, Defence and highway road segments, which could be margin accretive in long run

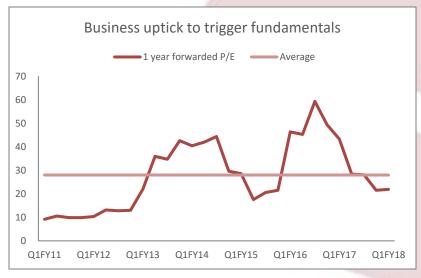
Better monsoon could trigger Agri segment revenue in coming quarters, while demand from road sector to expand Material Handling revenue base. 'Make in India' in defence could create chance for ACE long run



Moderate debt and improving 'Interest Coverage' could provide strong financial flexibility in future. Management is expecting significant margin expansion on higher capacity utilization

NHAI is expected to sustain good run in FY17 and could award 6500-7000 kms of roads vs 4400 kms awarded in FY16. In addition, Smart City projects to provide significant opportunity for market leaders like ACE.

We are expecting near to 8.0% EBITDA margins in FY18 and mid to high teen revenue growth on better product mix and higher orders



ACE is trading at P/BV of 1.46x at BV of FY16, which we believe is not expensive. Though TTM P/E looks expensive due to significant fall in margins during past several years.

Expected revenue and operating performance in coming years to normalize price multiples, especially P/E in long run, according to us

Healthy balance sheet, better growth prospects, chances of higher margins and leading position in segment could assure healthy upside for the stock in next couple of years.



<u>VALUATION: Budgetary allocation towards E&C to trigger business performance</u>

ACE is currently trading at TTM P/E of 46x and FY18 forwarded P/E of 16.2x (FY18 expected Basic EPS of INR2.6). During past few years, ACE reported sluggish revenue on the back of subdued infrastructure activities and slower growth in core sectors of economy; however, we believe that the company has successfully managed to sustain in a weak macroeconomic conditions and the worst things have already been bottomed up. We have modeled 15% (as per the management guidance of 15-20%) and 20% revenue growth for FY17 and FY18 respectively in the expectation that the current government will sanction pending E&C projects and would also plan for new ones based on power and road construction, which is already in their agenda. We would value ACE at FY18 P/E of 25x at INR65 and recommend BUY at current market price.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Standalone, figures are in INR Million

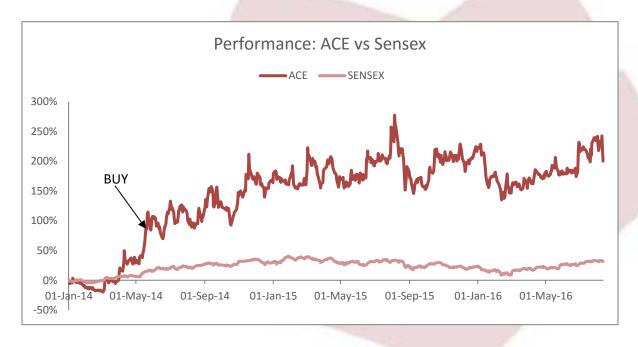
INCOME STATEMENT	Mar-14	Jun-14	Sep-14	Dec-14	Mar-15	Jun-15	Sep-15	Dec-15	Mar-16	Jun-16
Net Sales & Other Operating Income	1,716	1,318	1,513	1,471	1,675	1,376	1,534	1,570	1,893	1,539
Growth (QoQ)	1,710	-23.2%	14.8%	-2.8%	13.9%	-17.8%	11.5%	2.3%	20.5%	-18.7%
Growth (YoY)		-23.270	14.070	-2.070	-2.4%	4.4%	1.4%	6.7%	13.0%	11.9%
Growth (101)					-2.4%	4.4%	1.4%	0.7%	13.0%	11.9%
Total Expenditure	1,658	1,258	1,447	1,460	1,602	1,309	1,476	1,516	1,762	1,447
Expenditure to Sales	96.6%	95.5%	95.6%	99.3%	95.6%	95.1%	96.2%	96.6%	93.1%	94.0%
TTM Expenditure to Sales				96.8%	96.5%	96.4%	96.5%	95.9%	95.1%	94.9%
Growth (YoY)					-3.4%	4.0%	2.0%	3.9%	10.0%	10.6%
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PBIDT (Excl OI)	59	59	66	11	73	68	58	54	131	92
Margin	3.4%	4.5%	4.4%	0.7%	4.4%	4.9%	3.8%	3.4%	6.9%	6.0%
TTM Margin				3.2%	3.5%	3.6%	3.5%	4.1%	4.9%	5.1%
Margin Performance (YoY)					96 bps	39 bps	-60 bps	269 bps	253 bps	109 bp
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Depreciation	39	26	23	23	24	26	26	27	34	30
Depreciation to Sales	2.30%	1.94%	1.53%	1.59%	1.41%	1.90%	1.69%	1.72%	1.82%	1.97%
TTM Depreciation to Sales				1.85%	1.60%	1.59%	1.64%	1.67%	1.78%	1.80%
PBIT	19	34	43	(13)	50	41	32	27	96	62
Margin	1.1%	2.6%	2.8%	-0.9%	3.0%	3.0%	2.1%	1.7%	5.1%	4.0%
TTM Margin	1.1/0	2.0/0	2.0/0	-0. <i>9%</i> 1.4%	1.9%	2.0%	1.8%	2.4%	3.1%	3.3%
Margin Performance (YoY)				1.4/0	1.9% 184 bps	44 bps	-76 bps	2.4% 255 bps	212 bps	102 bp:
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Other Income	32	11	11	76	14	9	26	36	24	9
Interest	32	30	34	35	31	31	35	38	36	31
TTM Interest Coverage Ratio				0.6	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.5
(Base)										
PBT	19	15	20	28	32	19	22	25	84	40
Margin	1.1%	1.2%	1.4%	1.9%	1.9%	1.4%	1.5%	1.6%	4.5%	2.6%
TTM Margin				1.4%	1.6%	1.6%	1.7%	1.6%	2.4%	2.6%
Margin Performance (YoY)					80 bps	22 bps	11 bps	-29 bps	253 bps	123 bp.
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Tax	3	6	7	2	13	8	6	8	41	10
Tax Rate	14.0%	40.8%	35.2%	6.2%	40.4%	42.5%	24.7%	32.6%	48.4%	25.1%
TTM Tax Rate				21.6%	29.5%	30.2%	28.0%	35.3%	41.5%	37.6%
Profit After Tax	17	9	13	26	19	11	17	17	43	30
Margin	1.0%	0.7%	0.9%	1.8%	1.1%	0.8%	1.1%	1.1%	2.3%	2.0%
TTM Margin	1.070	0.770	0.570	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%	1.2%	1.0%	1.4%	1.6%
Margin Performance (YoY)				1.1/0	1.1% 18 bps	1.1% 10 bps	22 bps	-69 bps	1.4% 115 bps	116 bp
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BALANCE SHEET	Mar-14	Sep-14	Mar-15	Sep-15	Mar-1
Shareholder's Funds	3080	3102	3129	3157	3364
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Long Term Borrowings	395	374	317	314	240
Deferred Tax Liability	45	51	86	103	119
Other Long Term Liabilities	32	35	40	46	44
Long Term Provisions	12	11	13	11	15
Short Term Borrowings	1020	1136	858	1236	824
Trade Payables	1141	1057	1147	1050	1109
Other Current Liabilities	472	593	617	673	610
Provisions	22	7	73	50	86
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6219	6367	6281	6641	6411
Total Net block	2703	2762	2797	2862	3069
Non-Current Investments	58	41	40	201	176
Long Term Loans & Advances	644	672	735	708	744
Other Non-Current Assets	11	4	25	27	30
Current Investments	88	134	140	0	32
Inventories	1605	1533	1412	1592	1233
Sundry Debtors	683	683	806	885	813
Cash and Bank	137	182	113	117	105
Loans and Advances	290	356	213	249	209
TOTAL ASSETS	6219	6367	6281	6641	6411

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PUBLISHED ON	NATURE OF REPORT	PUBLICATION DATE PRICE	RECOMMENDATION	TARGETED PRICE
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12 – May – 16	Earnings Report	42	BUY	65





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Buy	>20-30% upside
Accumulate	>10-20% upside
Hold	>5-10% upside
Sell	<0%; Downside risk

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SCALE	RATING
OUTSTANDING	>=4.00
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EXCELLENT	>=3.50
GOOD	>=3.00
SATISFACTORY	>=2.50
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BELOWPAR	<2.50



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