1QFY23 Result Review: BUY Stance Maintained



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MARI has announced its 1QFY23 result where it posted a profit after tax of Rs12.72bn (EPS: Rs95.31) as compared to profit after tax of Rs9.10bn (EPS: Rs68.21) in the same period last year, up by 39.7% YoY.

The company has posted a revenue of Rs31.83bn against Rs20.73bn in SPLY, recording a growth of 53.6% YoY. We note that this growth is attributed to the increase in gas production and oil prices.

The operating cost has been increased by 78.9% YoY to Rs5.85bn as compared to Rs3.27bn during SPLY. Furthermore, exploration cost has decreased by 21.1% YoY to Rs1.38bn as compared to Rs1.75bn during SPLY.

Finance income and finance cost have increased by 18% and 343% YoY respectively. Moreover, effective taxation has jumped to 34.2% as compared to 30.3% due to the super tax imposed by the government.

MARI is currently trading at a FY23E PE of 5.2x. Furthermore, the scrip is also trading at FY23E PB of 1.35x which provides a discount of 32% relative to its 3-year average of 2.00x. We have a **BUY** stance on the scrip with a DCF based Jun-23 TP of Rs 2,200 which provides an upside potential of 32%. Furthermore, it also offers a dividend yield of around 9% which makes a total return of 41%.

| Rupees' millions | 1QFY23 | 1QFY22 | YoY | FY22 | FY21 | Υογ |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|----------|---------|---------|----------|
| Net Sales | 31,825 | 20,726 | 53.6% 🔺 | 95,134 | 73,018 | 30.3% 🔺 |
| Operating Cost | -5,854 | -3,273 | 78.9% 🔺 | -17,403 | -15,040 | 15.7% 🔺 |
| Exploration Cost | -1,380 | -1,749 | 21.1% 🔻 | -10,932 | -4,544 | 140.6% 🔺 |
| Other Charges | -1,319 | -788 | 67.3% 🔺 | -3,623 | -3,082 | 17.5% 🔺 |
| Operating Profit | 18,806 | 12,281 | 53.1% 🔺 | 51,226 | 41,349 | 23.9% 🔺 |
| | | | | | | |
| Finance Income | 1,022 | 866 | 18.0% 🔺 | 4,483 | 3,941 | 13.8% 🔺 |
| Finance cost | -440 | -99 | 343.3% 🔺 | -980 | -1,310 | 25.2% 🔻 |
| Profit Before Taxation | 19,325 | 13,047 | 48.1% 🔺 | 52,116 | 43,931 | 18.6% 🔺 |
| Taxation | -6,610 | -3,949 | 67.4% 🔺 | -19,053 | -12,486 | 52.6% |
| Profit After Taxation | 12,715 | 9,099 | 39.7% 🔺 | 33,063 | 31,445 | 5.1% 🔺 |
| | | | | | | |
| Earnings Per Share | 95.31 | 68.21 | 39.7% 🔺 | 247.84 | 235.71 | 5.1% |
| Dividend | 0.00 | 0.00 | | 124.00 | 141.00 | 12.1% 🔻 |
| Bonus | 0% | 0% | | 0% | 0% | |
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| Operating Cost to Sales | -18.4% | -15.8% | 2.6% 🔺 | -18.3% | -20.6% | 2.3% 🔻 |
| Exploration Cost to Sales | -4.3% | -8.4% | 4.1% ▼ | -11.5% | -6.2% | 5.3% |
| Other Charges to Sales | -4.1% | -3.8% | 0.3% 🔺 | -3.8% | -4.2% | 0.4% 🔻 |
| Effective Taxation | -34.2% | -30.3% | 3.9% 🔺 | -36.6% | -28.4% | 8.1% |
| Net Margin | 40.0% | 43.9% | 3.9% 🔻 | 34.8% | 43.1% | 8.3% 🔻 |

Source: ACPL Research, Company Financials

Key Statistics

| Symbol | MARI |
|----------------------|----------|
| TP - Jun 23 | 2,200.00 |
| LDCP | 1,659.86 |
| Upside (%) | 32 |
| Free Float ('mn) | 27 |
| Market Cap. (Rs.'mn) | 226,117 |





PAT (Rs'bn) vs Net Margin



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Financial Projections

| Rupees' millions | FY20A | FY21A | FY22A | FY23E | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Net Sales | 72,015 | 73,018 | 95,134 | 117,521 | 122,464 | 127,455 | 128,616 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Royalty | -8,806 | -9,315 | -12,000 | -14,726 | -15,346 | -15,971 | -16,117 |
| Operating Expenses | -13,302 | -15,040 | -17,403 | -21,529 | -22,435 | -23,349 | -23,562 |
| Exploration and prospecting expenditure | -10,258 | -4,544 | -10,932 | -6,576 | -6,853 | -7,132 | -7,197 |
| Other Charges | -2,698 | -3,082 | -3,623 | -4,852 | -5,056 | -5,262 | -5,310 |
| Other income / Expenses | 340 | 264 | -2,565 | -1,704 | -1,776 | -1,848 | -1,865 |
| Profit from operations | 37,291 | 41,301 | 48,613 | 68,133 | 70,998 | 73,892 | 74,565 |
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| Finance Income | 4,974 | 3,941 | 4,483 | -1,704 | -1,776 | -1,848 | -1,865 |
| Finance Cost | -986 | -1,310 | -980 | -1,680 | -1,310 | -1,254 | -1,254 |
| Profit before income tax | 41,279 | 43,931 | 52,116 | 64,749 | 67,912 | 70,789 | 71,446 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Income tax expense | -10,967 | -12,486 | -19,053 | -22,147 | -22,411 | -23,361 | -23,577 |
| Profit for the year | 30,313 | 31,445 | 33,063 | 42,601 | 45,501 | 47,429 | 47,869 |
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| EPS | 227.2 | 235.7 | 247.8 | 319.3 | 341.1 | 355.5 | 358.8 |

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Horizontal Analysis

| | FY20A | FY21A | FY22A | FY23E | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
|---|--------|--------|----------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Net Sales | 21.1% | 1.4% | 30.3% | 23.5% | 4.2% | 4.1% | 0.9% |
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| Royalty | 16.3% | 5.8% | 28.8% | 22.7% | 4.2% | 4.1% | 0.9% |
| Operating Expenses | 13.6% | 13.1% | 15.7% | 23.7% | 4.2% | 4.1% | 0.9% |
| Exploration and prospecting expenditure | 138.1% | -55.7% | 140.6% | -39.8% | 4.2% | 4.1% | 0.9% |
| Other Charges | 10.8% | 14.2% | 17.5% | 33.9% | 4.2% | 4.1% | 0.9% |
| Other income / Expenses | 4.3% | -22.4% | -1071.6% | -33.5% | 4.2% | 4.1% | 0.9% |
| Profit from operations | 10.5% | 10.8% | 17.7% | 40.2% | 4.2% | 4.1% | 0.9% |
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| Finance Income | 181.4% | -20.8% | 13.8% | -138.0% | 4.2% | 4.1% | 0.9% |
| Finance Cost | 22.9% | 33.0% | -25.2% | 71.5% | -22.0% | -4.3% | 0.0% |
| Profit before income tax | 18.9% | 6.4% | 18.6% | 24.2% | 4.9% | 4.2% | 0.9% |
| | | | | | | | |
| Income tax expense | 5.6% | 13.9% | 52.6% | 16.2% | 1.2% | 4.2% | 0.9% |
| Profit for the year | 24.6% | 3.7% | 5.1% | 28.8% | 6.8% | 4.2% | 0.9% |
| | | | | | | | |
| EPS | 24.6% | 3.7% | 5.1% | 28.8% | 6.8% | 4.2% | 0.9% |

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Key Ratios

| Profitability Ratios | FY20A | FY21A | FY22A | FY23E | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| GP Margin % | 56.77 | 88.30 | 87.30 | 89.35 | 89.35 | 89.35 | 89.35 |
| NP Margin % | 23.90 | 38.03 | 30.34 | 32.39 | 33.20 | 33.25 | 33.26 |
| OP Margin % | 29.40 | 49.95 | 44.61 | 51.80 | 51.80 | 51.80 | 51.80 |
| ROE % | 32.54 | 27.22 | 25.27 | 25.99 | 22.04 | 18.83 | 16.00 |
| ROA % | 10.75 | 20.91 | 17.86 | 19.82 | 18.82 | 17.56 | 16.01 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Liquidity Ratios | FY20A | FY21A | FY22A | FY23E | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| Current x | 1.34 | 3.61 | 2.26 | 2.93 | 3.27 | 3.58 | 3.76 |
| Quick x | 1.29 | 3.24 | 1.96 | 2.55 | 2.89 | 3.19 | 3.37 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Activity Ratios | FY20A | FY21A | FY22A | FY23E | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| Receivables Days | 516.1 | 124.6 | 110.7 | 116.0 | 106.0 | 95.9 | 85.9 |
| Payables Days | 1132.6 | 651.1 | 614.7 | 607.3 | 632.2 | 633.0 | 652.8 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Investment Ratios | FY20A | FY21A | FY22A | FY23E | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| DPS | 6.10 | 141.00 | 124.00 | 160.00 | 171.00 | 178.00 | 180.00 |
| Div. Yield % | 0.37 | 8.49 | 7.47 | 9.64 | 10.30 | 10.72 | 10.84 |
| Dividend Cover x | 37.3 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| Retention % | -3.9 | 40.2 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 50.0 |
| Payout % | 103.9 | 59.8 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 50.0 |
| No. of Shares ('m) | 133.4 | 133.4 | 133.4 | 133.4 | 133.4 | 133.4 | 133.4 |
| EPS | 227.2 | 235.7 | 247.8 | 319.3 | 341.1 | 355.5 | 358.8 |
| BVPS | 698 | 866 | 981 | 1229 | 1548 | 1888 | 2243 |
| P/E x | 7.30 | 7.04 | 6.70 | 5.20 | 4.87 | 4.67 | 4.63 |
| Sales per share | 951 | 620 | 817 | 986 | 1027 | 1069 | 1079 |
| P/BV x | 2.38 | 1.92 | 1.69 | 1.35 | 1.07 | 0.88 | 0.74 |
| P/S x | 1.75 | 2.68 | 2.03 | 1.68 | 1.62 | 1.55 | 1.54 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Solvency Ratios | FY20A | FY21A | FY22A | FY23E | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| Total Debt to Equity x | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| | | | | | | | |
| L.T Debt to Equity x | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

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| TP | Target Price | CAGR | Compound Annual Growth Rate | FCF | Free Cash Flows |
|------|---------------------------|------|-----------------------------|------|------------------------|
| FCFE | Free Cash Flows to Equity | FCFF | Free Cash Flows to Firm | DCF | Discounted Cash Flows |
| PE | Price to Earnings Ratio | PB | Price to Book Ratio | BVPS | Book Value Per Share |
| EPS | Earnings Per Share | DPS | Dividend Per Share | ROE | Return of Equity |
| ROA | Return on Assets | SOTP | Sum of the Parts | LDCP | Last Day Closing Price |

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