MFL

1QFY22 Result Review: Stance Upgraded to Buy



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MFL has announced its 1QFY22 result where the company posted a loss after tax of Rs30mn (LPS: Rs0.24) as compared to a loss after tax of Rs83mn (LPS: Rs0.68) in the same period last year, down by 64% YoY.

The company has posted a revenue of Rs1.59bn against Rs2.80bn in SPLY, recording a decline of 43% YoY. We note that this decline is attributed to the decrease in volumetric sales. The gross margin has been increased to 9.4% as compared to 5.9% in SPLY due to lower input costs and higher international prices.

SG&A expenses have decreased by 10.7% YoY to Rs104mn as compared to Rs116mn during SPLY whereas, finance cost has increased by 23.6% YoY to Rs78mn. Lastly, exchange gain has increased by 121.8% to Rs12mn.

MFL is currently trading at a FY22E P/B of 0.51x which offers a discount of 32% relative to its 5-year historical average of 0.75x. We have a **BUY** stance on the script with a DCF based Jun-22 TP of Rs 34 which provides an upside potential of 20%.

Rupees' millions	1QFY22	1QFY21	YoY	FY21	FY20	Yo
Net Sales	1,589	2,796	43.2% 🔻	10,557	11,290	6.5%
Cost of Sales	-1,440	-2,630	45.3% 🔻	-9,909	-10,274	3.5%
Gross Profit	150	165	9.5% 🔻	647	1,016	36.3%
SG&A Expenses	-104	-116	10.7% 🔻	-496	-478	3.6%
Operating Profit	46	49	6.8% 🔻	150	518	71.0%
Other Income	6	7	16.0% 🔻	77	57	36.3%
Exchange Gain / (Loss)	12	-54	121.8% 🔺	65	14	365.3%
Finance Cost	-78	-63	23.6% 🔺	-273	-350	22.1%
Profit Before Taxation	-15	-62	75.8% 🔻	20	239	91.8%
Taxation	-15	-21	29.6% 🔻	-80	-87	7.1%
Profit After Taxation	-30	-83	64.1% 🛡	-61	152	140.1%
Earnings Per Share	-0.24	-0.68	64.1% 🔻	-0.50	1.24	140.1%
Dividend	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.45	
Bonus	-	-		-	-	
Gross Margin	9.4%	5.9%	3.5% 🔺	6.1%	9.0%	2.9%
SG&A Expenses to Sales	-6.5%	-4.2%	2.4% 🔺	-4.7%	-4.2%	0.5%
Other Income to Sales	0.3%	0.2%	0.1% 🔺	0.7%	0.5%	0.2%
Ex. Gain / (Loss) to Sales	-6.5%	-4.2%	2.4% 🔺	-4.7%	-4.2%	0.5%
Effective Taxation	98.0%	33.7%	64.2% 🔺	-411.3%	-36.3%	375.0%

Source: ACPL Research, Company Financials

Key Statistics

Symbol	MFL
TP - Jun 22	34.00
LDCP	28.49
Upside (%)	20
Free Float ('mn)	31
Market Cap. (Rs.'mn)	3,488





PAT (Rs'mn) vs Net Margin



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Financial Projections

Rupees' millions	FY19A	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Revenue	7,863	11,290	10,557	6,336	8,222	8,717	9,254
Cost of sales	-6,949	-10,274	-9,909	-5,742	-7,251	-7,734	-8,117
Gross profit	915	1,016	647	594	971	984	1,137
Distribution cost	-167	-207	-186	-147	-191	-202	-215
Administrative expenses	-240	-271	-310	-266	-345	-366	-389
Other operating expenses	-31	-19	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Profit from operations	476	518	150	179	434	414	532
Other income	260	71	142	158	206	218	231
Finance cost	-276	-350	-273	-237	-204	-162	-126
Profit before income tax	460	239	20	100	435	470	637
Income tax expense	-47	-87	-80	-30	-131	-141	-191
Profit for the year	414	152	-61	70	305	329	446
EPS	3.38	1.24	(0.50)	0.57	2.49	2.69	3.64
EBITDA	648	725	369	411	679	673	807

Source: ACPL Research, Company Financials

Horizontal Analysis

	FY19A	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Revenue	14.47%	43.58%	-6.50%	-39.98%	29.78%	6.02%	6.15%
Cost of sales	18.53%	47.86%	-3.55%	-42.05%	26.28%	6.66%	4.95%
Gross profit	-9.22%	11.10%	-36.30%	-8.29%	63.62%	1.28%	15.56%
Distribution cost	-44.32%	23.88%	-10.16%	-20.97%	29.78%	6.02%	6.15%
Administrative expenses	21.32%	12.91%	14.12%	-14.08%	29.78%	6.02%	6.15%
Other operating expenses	37.30%	-36.95%	-92.92%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Profit from operations	-2.13%	8.79%	-71.03%	19.29%	142.15%	-4.58%	28.52%
Other income	186.18%	-72.83%	101.69%	11.35%	29.78%	6.02%	6.15%
Finance cost	14.93%	27.14%	-22.11%	-12.97%	-14.02%	-20.63%	-22.04%
Profit before income tax	36.33%	-48.21%	-91.80%	411.71%	334.86%	7.96%	35.59%
Income tax expense	58.38%	85.56%	-7.12%	-62.67%	334.86%	7.96%	35.59%
Profit for the year	34.22%	-63.29%	-140.06%	-215.07%	334.86%	7.96%	35.59%
EPS	34.22%	-63.29%	-140.06%	-215.07%	334.86%	7.96%	35.59%
EBITDA		12.03%	-49.09%	11.29%	65.22%	-0.83%	19.77%

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Key Ratios

Profitability Ratios		FY19A	FY20A	FY21a	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
GP Margin	%	11.63	9.00	6.13	9.37	11.81	11.28	12.28
NP Margin	%	5.26	1.35	-0.58	1.11	3.70	3.77	4.82
OP Margin	%	6.06	4.59	1.42	2.83	5.27	4.75	5.75
ROE	%	9.18	2.24	-0.91	1.03	4.30	4.44	5.67
ROCE	%	9.60	6.92	2.34	2.89	6.94	6.47	7.92
ROA	%	4.32	1.10	-0.49	0.61	2.75	3.14	4.39
Liquidity Ratios		FY19A	FY20A	FY21a	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Current	х	1.48	1.37	1.61	1.65	1.71	1.87	2.11
Quick	х	0.06	0.07	0.31	0.81	0.61	0.54	0.55
Activity Ratios		FY19A	FY20A	FY21a	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Inventory Turnover	х	1.34	1.73	1.54	1.18	1.90	1.85	1.95
Inventory Days		271.68	210.45	237.33	308.46	192.11	197.45	186.83
Receivables Days		8.77	5.55	5.94	9.89	7.62	7.19	6.77
Payables Days		13.03	36.07	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
Operating Cycle		267.41	179.94	203.27	278.35	159.73	164.63	153.60
Investment Ratios		FY19A	FY20A	FY21a	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
DPS		0.00	0.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Div. Yield		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00		
	%	0.00	1.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dividend Cover	% X	0.00	1.58 2.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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EPS	Earnings Per Share	DPS	Dividend Per Share	ROE	Return of Equity
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