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Seasonally weak month; premium segment, exports aide growth

 PV volumes grew ~1% YTD with the domestic premium SUV segment volume impacted too; compact car worries continue Milind Raginwar research@bobcaps.in

- 2W segment continues its healthy pace, adding ~10% YoY continues to derive strength from premiumization and exports
- Tractors growth path firms with ~14%/27% YoY/MoM growth, CV continues to be a mixed bag; 3-W on a strong footing

PV YTD growth softens to 1%: Domestic passenger vehicle (PV) sales in June were subdued, especially in the passenger car segment, PV volumes fell by 6.8%/8.6 YoY/MoM to 0.3mn units. MSIL domestic sales were dragged (~12% YoY/MoM) by the fall in mini & compact segments, but the overall sales were down by ~6%; helped by healthy exports. Volume softened for TTMT, Hyundai and Kia. TTMT fell the sharpest by 14.8% YoY and Hyundai's volume dipped by 6% YoY. MM was the only exception, growing 18.2% YoY driven by new models; especially EVs.

2W growth assisted by exports: Overall 2W segment volume growth was in double-digits (10.4%) YoY driven by premium segment and export sales. TVS (+19.7% YoY) with larger share of motorcycles above 125cc and EIM (+22.4% YoY) which cater to premium 350cc+ segment delivered healthy growth. HMCL was in-line with the industry grappling with the transition of a large vendor. BJAUT domestic volume fell the sharpest by ~16% YoY but was offset by strong exports (+18% YoY).

3Ws on a strong footing: The 3W segment volume grew by 20%17.7%YoY/MoM, driven by exports as domestic volume growth was in single digits ~9% YoY. TVS and BJAUT's exports grew by 29.2%/48.7% YoY respectively. Domestic markets volumes were a drag as market leader BJAUT's volume stayed flat YoY, while MM and TVSL grew by ~37%/109% YoY. The sustaining demand for last mile mobility and electrification is driving recovery in the urban and semi-urban markets.

Tractors growth unabated: With rural economy seeing an uptick as sowing season starts and onset of healthy monsoon tractor sales grow by a healthy 13.7% YoY (27.1% MoM on strong base). MM grew by 12.8%/33% YoY/MoM) in domestic markets and continued leadership. ESCORTS, too, grew by 17.5% YoY in domestic markets, while exports grew 2.1x on a low base.

CVs a mixed bag: CV segment performance was a mixed bag, declining 2.6% YoY but up 3.7% MoM. Domestic volumes were largely subdued declining 5.5%/45% YoY/MoM; while exports were slightly better, growing 53.6%/5.4% YoY/MoM.

Key ratings: BUY rating on MSIL, MM and AL, and SELL on ESCORTS and VSTT.





Individual OEMs highlights

Maruti Suzuki India: Utility segment declined 8.5%/12.7% YoY/MoM, reaching 47,947 units due to seasonal demand fluctuations. Compact segment, MSIL's core strength, faced a significant YoY decline of 15.4% YoY to 54,177 units, with 11.9% MoM drop, reflecting persistent affordability challenges as entry-level car prices have risen over 70% since 2019. Consequently, passenger cars' proportion in the total sales dropped to 54.1% from 55.3% YoY (53% MoM). Exports surged by 21.9% YoY to 37,842 units, boosting the export share to 22.5% from 17.3% YoY; driven by strong demand in markets like Latin America and Africa.

Fig 1 – Affordability concerns pressuring MSIL's compact segment

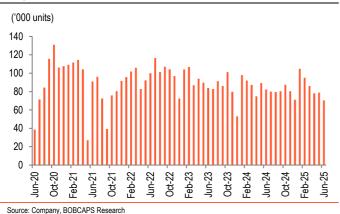
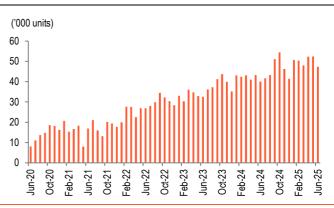


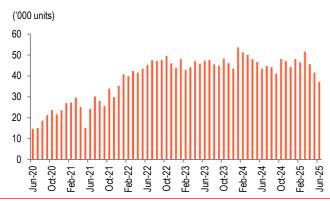
Fig 2 – MM's momentum strong on the SUVization trend



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

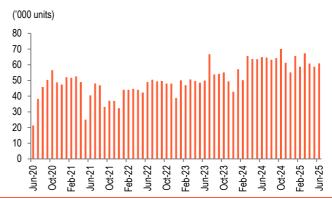
Mahindra & Mahindra: The SUV segment delivered a robust show, growing by 18% YoY to 47,306 units, but declining by 9.8% MoM on seasonal demand softening. Commercial vehicle (CV) segment was flat YoY to 20,575 units with ~4% MoM slide, reflecting a slowdown in domestic demand. 3W segment surged by 27.4%/16.4% YoY/MoM, driven by urban mobility demand. In the tractor segment, domestic volumes grew by 12.8%/33% YoY/33%; while exports jumped 13.4% YoY (-6.1% MoM). Recent SML Isuzu acquisition is expected to bolster the CV portfolio with new CNG and EV variants, supporting MM's electrification push. Total vehicle sales at 78,969 units were up 13.8% YoY; marking a strong wrap-up to Q1.

Fig 3 – TTMT's models struggling to maintain foothold



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Fig 4 - Hyundai's aging portfolio a point of concern





Bajaj Auto: Bajaj Auto's domestic 2Ws volume stayed subdued, decreasing by 15.7/22% YoY/MoM to 149,317units. However, exports, surged by 18% YoY and 5.8% MoM to 149,167 units, driven by robust demand in the LATAM region, particularly in Brazil and Colombia, as well as recovering markets like Bangladesh. CV segment grew by 13.7%/19.3% YoY/MoM to 62,322 units with domestic sales stable at 39,143 units (-0.3% YoY, up 14% MoM) and exports jumping 48.7% YoY and 29.3% MoM to 23,179 units. Total volumes grew by 0.6% YoY (-6.2% MoM) to 360,806 units, supported by exports and CV performance, despite domestic challenges.

TVS Motors: TVSL reported a robust performance with total sales of ~0.4mn units in June 2025, reflecting a 20.5% YoY jump from 0.33 mn units in June 2024. 2Ws drove the growth, with sales rising 19.7% YoY to 0.38mn units from 0.32 mn units, led by motorcycles (up 23.6% YoY to 0.18 mn units from 0.15 units) and scooters (up 25.8% YoY to 0.161 mn units from 0.13 mn units). Domestic 2W sales grew by 9.9% YoY to 0.28 mn units from 0.25mn units, while exports surged 57.6% YoY to 0.1mn units, fueled by strong demand in Asia, LATAM, and Sri Lanka. 3W segment grew 42% YoY to 16,303 units from 11,478 units, with exports contributing significantly.

EV sales, primarily driven by the TVS iQube, declined 9.1% YoY to 14,400 units from 15,859 units, impacted by supply chain constraints related to magnet availability. New launches, including the TVS Apache RTR 160 with dual-channel ABS, and expanded premium scooter offerings are expected to sustain the momentum.

Hero Motors Corp: HMCL reported total sales of 0.55 mn units in June 2025, marking a 9.1% YoY rise from 0.50 mn units in June 2024. Domestic sales grew by 6.9% YoY to 0.52 mn units from 0.49 mn units, while exports surged 139.6% YoY to 28,827 units from 12,032 units; driven by strong demand in Bangladesh and Colombia. Motorcycle sales, comprising 92.6% of the portfolio, rose 8.3% YoY to 0.51 mn units from 0.47 mn units. Scooter sales grew 36.7% YoY to 41,305 units from 30,220 units, bolstered by the premium Destini 125 and Xoom 125R. The EV brand VIDA dispatched 7,178 units, with 7,650 VAHAN registrations, reflecting a robust EV demand. HMCL and Harley Davidson introduced the new CVO Street Glide and CVO Road Glide super-premium limited-edition models.

Fig 5 – BJAUT's 2W faltering even as the broader market recovers

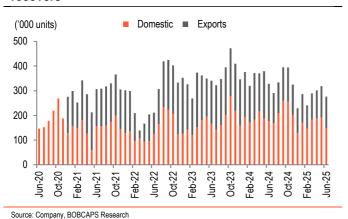


Fig 6 - TVSL's 2W sales for FY26 started on a strong note

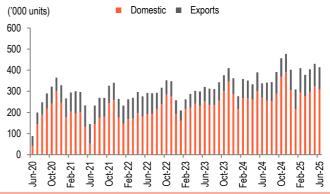
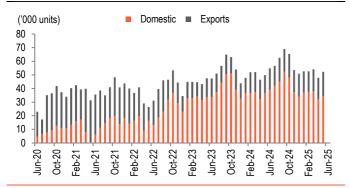




Fig 7 – HMCL's 2W commuter segment grappling with vendor transition phase

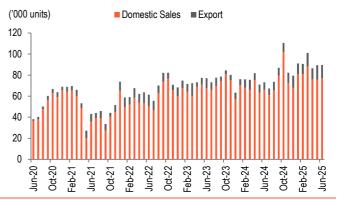


Fig 9 - BJAUT's 3W maintains stable share



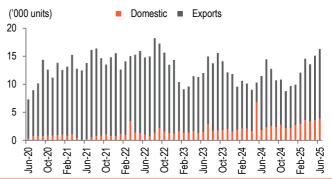
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Fig 8 – Deeper penetration in foreign markets and premiumisation in domestic market drive RE sales



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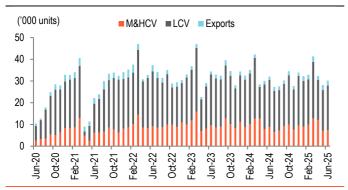
Fig 10 – Exports have been a growth driver, though domestic sales picking up for TVSL 3W



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Eicher Motors: EIM reported a 22.4% YoY rise in 2W sales to 89,540 units in June 2025 from 73,141 units in June 2024, driven by a 79% YoY export surge to 12,583 units. Domestic 2W sales grew 16.4%/1.5 YoY/MoM to 79,957. The up-to-350cc segment rose 24.8% YoY to 76,680 units, while the 350cc+ segment grew 10.1% YoY to 12,860. New facelifts and the upcoming Classic 650 are expected to sustain the 2W momentum. On the other hand, trucks and buses were subdued by 0.8%/0.5% YoY/MoM as domestic volumes declined by 2.5%/0.5 YoY/MoM; while premium Volvo buses grew by 50%/14.6% YoY/MoM.

Fig 11 - LCVs driving TTMT amid rising competition



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Fig 12 – AL's CV sales steady; while the market remains subdued

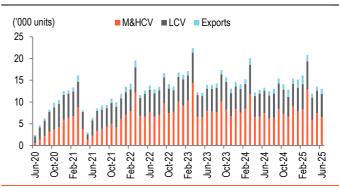




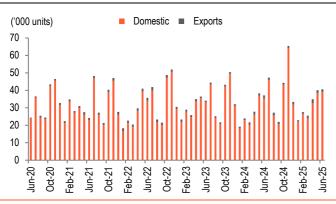
Fig 13 - EIM's CV YTD sales touches double-digit ~10%



Escorts: Escorts Kubota reported a ~20% YoY increase in tractor sales to 11,498 units in June 2025 from 9,593 units in June 2024. Domestic sales went up 17.5% YoY to 10,997 units vs 9,359 units, supported by timely monsoon arrival and higher MSP for Kharif crops. Exports surged 114.1% YoY to 501 units from 234 units.

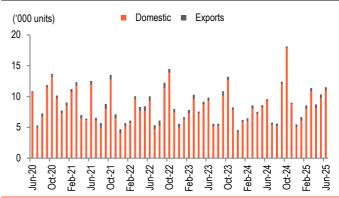
VSTT: VSTT reported a 92.7% YoY sales increase to 7,149 units in June 2025 from 3,710 units. Power tillers surged 112.7% YoY to 6,651 units, while tractors fell 14.4% YoY to 498 units. YTD sales (April–June 2025) grew 75.5% YoY to 12,955 units.

Fig 14 - MM continues to dominate tractor sales



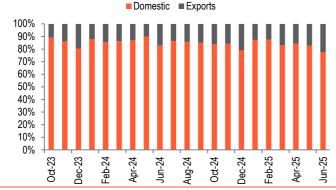
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Fig 15 – ESCORTS's tractor sales regaining strength



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Fig 16 – MSIL's export pie expanding as domestic demand stays muted



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Fig 17 – MM's volumes continue to be driven by domestic sales

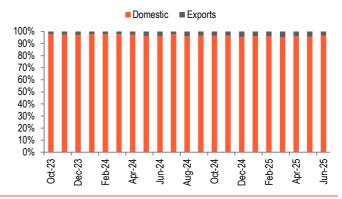




Fig 18 - TTMT's exports volumes dropping in June 2025

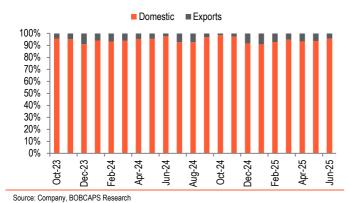


Fig 20 - EIM (2W) - RE's export penetration increasing steadily

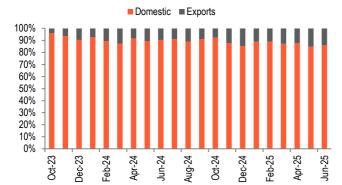
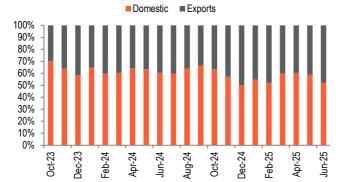


Fig 22 - BJAUT's domestic volumes faltering



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Fig 19 - AL's exports volumes picks up towards Q1-end



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Fig 21 - EIM (CV) sales driven by India markets



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Fig 23 - TVSL's 3-W exports volumes gaining pace steadily

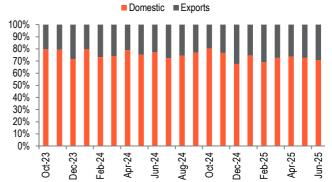




Fig 24 – HMCL's exports focus continues to be dim

Fig 25 - ESCORTS' domestic contribution remains key







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