

SELL TP: Rs 1,340 | 🗸 19% **INDUSTRIES**

BALKRISHNA

Auto Components

09 February 2021

Healthy Q3 but margin headwinds ahead – maintain SELL

Balkrishna Industries (BIL) posted healthy volume growth of 17% YoY to 59.8k MT in Q3FY21, 8% ahead of our projections. Revenue increased 30% YoY and EBITDA margin stood at 31.7% (+220bps YoY), beating estimates. We expect rising RM costs to depress margins in coming quarters. Thus, despite increasing our FY21 volume forecast to align with management guidance, our FY22-FY23 earnings estimates remain intact. BIL has announced a Rs 19bn capex drive spread over the next 2-3 years. Maintain SELL; Mar'22 TP Rs 1,340.

Operational beat in Q3: Buoyed by 17% YoY volume growth and 8% improvement in ASP, revenue came in at Rs 15bn (+26% YoY) - ahead of our estimate. An above-expected gross margin further supported operating performance, leading to 220bps YoY EBITDA margin expansion to 31.7% (28.8% est.). EBITDA was up 40% YoY to Rs 4.8bn and adj. PAT increased 46% YoY to Rs 3.2bn. Management has raised its volume guidance for FY21 from flattish YoY growth to 6-9% growth over FY20.

New capex drive: BIL has drawn up a new Rs 19bn capex programme to be spread over the next 2-3 years. The outlay is planned for (1) debottlenecking and brownfield expansion of the Bhuj facility which would add 50,000mtpa capacity by H2FY23 at a projected cost of Rs 8bn, (2) increase in carbon black manufacturing capacity to 200,000mtpa by H1FY23 (from 115,000mtpa currently) at a projected cost of Rs 6.5bn, and (3) modernisation, automation and technology upgrades of certain existing equipment and installation of automated material handling systems at a cost of Rs 4.5bn.

Maintain SELL: We expect the rising cost of rubber and crude derivatives to weigh on profitability, compressing operating margins by ~200bps over FY21-FY23. Our Mar'22 TP remains at Rs 1,340, based on 22x Mar'23E EPS.

KEY FINANCIALS

Y/E 31 Mar	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Total revenue (Rs mn)	52,445	47,825	54,243	61,457	68,033
EBITDA (Rs mn)	13,125	12,494	16,192	17,190	19,089
Adj. net profit (Rs mn)	7,820	9,450	9,896	10,283	11,760
Adj. EPS (Rs)	40.5	48.9	51.2	53.2	60.8
Adj. EPS growth (%)	5.8	20.8	4.7	3.9	14.4
Adj. ROAE (%)	16.7	18.8	16.7	15.3	15.3
Adj. P/E (x)	40.9	33.9	32.4	31.1	27.2
EV/EBITDA (x)	25.2	26.3	20.3	19.0	17.0

Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

BOB Capital Markets Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of Baroda

Important disclosures, including any required research certifications, are provided at the end of this report.

Mayur Milak | Nishant Chowhan, CFA research@bobcaps.in

Ticker/Price	BIL IN/Rs 1,657
Market cap	US\$ 4.4bn
Shares o/s	193mn
3M ADV	US\$ 25.8mn
52wk high/low	Rs 1,875/Rs 679
Promoter/FPI/DII	58%/12%/18%
Source: NSE	

STOCK PERFORMANCE



Source: NSE





FIG 1 – QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE

(Rs mn)	Q3FY21	Q3FY20	Y₀Y (%)	Q2FY21	Q₀Q (%)	9MFY21	9MFY20	Y₀Y (%)
Volumes (MT)	59,810	47,321	16.6	61,224	(2.3)	159,130	143,794	10.7
ASP (Rs)	251,555	245,240	8.1	257,866	(2.4)	252,123	238,200	5.8
Net Revenues	15,046	11,605	26.1	15,788	(4.7)	40,120	34,252	17.1
Total Income (A)	15,046	11,605	26.1	15,788	(4.7)	40,120	34,252	17.1
Operating Expenses:								
Raw materials consumed	6,035	4,791	5.0	6,115	(1.3)	15,815	15,219	3.9
Employee Expenses	831	708	19.5	844	(1.5)	2,377	2,104	13.0
Other Expenses	3,415	2,692	21.5	3,462	(1.3)	9,492	8,161	16.3
Total Expenditure (B)	10,282	8,190	11.1	10,421	(1.3)	27,684	25,484	8.6
EBITDA (A-B)	4,764	3,415	77.9	5,367	(11.2)	12,437	8,768	41.8
Other Income	514	301	(28.3)	184	179.5	1,030	1,824	(43.5)
Depreciation	1,019	949	21.2	1,012	0.7	3,027	2,698	12.2
EBIT	4,258	2,767	66.8	4,539	(6.2)	10,440	7,895	32.2
Finance Costs	17	19	(4.5)	34	(49.6)	75	54	39.6
PBT after excep items	4,241	2,748	67.3	4,505	(5.9)	10,365	7,841	32.2
Tax expense	1,022	542	31.8	1,110	(7.9)	2,533	964	162.8
Reported PAT	3,219	2,207	82.9	3,395	(5.2)	7,832	6,877	13.9
Adjusted PAT	3,219	2,207	82.9	3,395	(5.2)	7,832	6,877	13.9
Adj EPS (Rs)	16.7	11.4	82.9	17.6	(5.2)	40.5	35.6	13.9

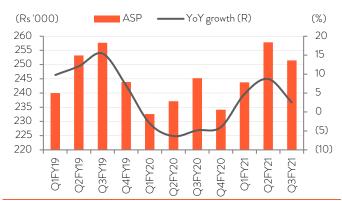
Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

FIG 2 – KEY PARAMETERS

(Rs mn)	Q3FY21	Q3FY20	YoY (bps)	Q2FY21	QoQ (bps)	9MFY21	9MFY20	YoY (bps)
Gross margin	59.9	58.7	807	61.3	(138)	60.6	55.6	501
EBITDA margin	31.7	29.4	922	34.0	(233)	31.0	25.6	540
EBIT margin	28.3	23.8	691	28.8	(45)	26.0	23.0	297
PBT margin	28.2	23.7	694	28.5	(35)	25.8	22.9	294
Tax rate	24.1	19.7	(648)	24.6	(54)	24.4	12.3	1,214
Adj PAT margin	21.4	19.0	665	21.5	(11)	19.5	20.1	(56)

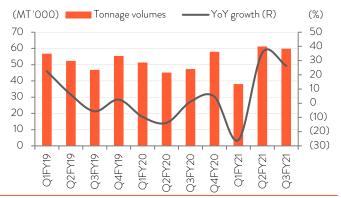
Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research





Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

FIG 4 – TOTAL VOLUMES



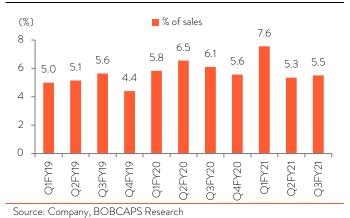
Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research





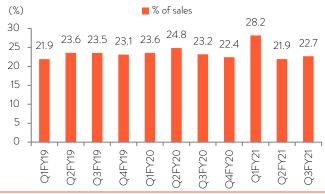
FIG 5 - RM COST/SALES TREND

FIG 6 - STAFF COST/SALES TREND



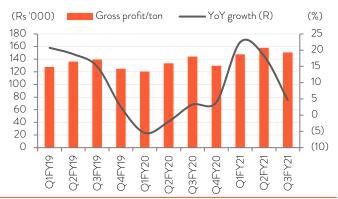
Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research





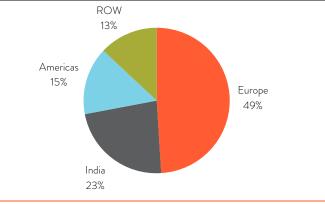
Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

FIG 9 – GROSS PROFIT/TONNE TREND



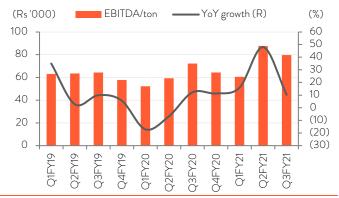
Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

FIG 8 - GEOGRAPHICAL SALES MIX (9MFY21)



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

FIG 10 - EBITDA/TONNE TREND



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research



Valuation methodology

We expect the rising cost of rubber and crude derivatives to weigh on profitability, compressing operating margins by ~200bps over FY21-FY23. Our Mar'22 target price remains at Rs 1,340, based on 22x Mar'23E EPS. Maintain SELL.



FIG 11 – RELATIVE STOCK PERFORMANCE

m 110 80 50 May-18 -Aug-18 -Nov-18 -Feb-19 May-19 Aug-19 Nov-19 Feb-20 May-20 Aug-20 Nov-20 Feb-21 õ Feb.

Source: NSE

Key risks

- Above-expected volume growth
- Fall in natural rubber and crude derivative prices could take margins ahead of estimates



FINANCIALS

Income Statement

Income Statement					
Y/E 31 Mar (Rs mn)	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Total revenue	52,445	47,825	54,243	61,457	68,033
EBITDA	13,125	12,494	16,192	17,190	19,089
Depreciation	3,326	3,680	4,216	4,816	5,336
EBIT	11,941	11,302	13,252	13,829	15,749
Net interest income/(expenses)	(111)	(73)	(128)	(82)	(26)
Other income/(expenses)	2,142	2,488	1,276	1,456	1,996
Exceptional items	(428)	0	0	0	0
EBT	11,402	11,229	13,124	13,747	15,722
Income taxes	4,010	1,779	3,229	3,464	3,962
Extraordinary items	0	0	0	0	0
Min. int./Inc. from associates	4	5	6	7	8
Reported net profit	7,392	9,450	9,896	10,283	11,760
Adjustments	428	0	0	0	0
Adjusted net profit	7,820	9,450	9,896	10,283	11,760
Y/E 31 Mar (Rs mn)	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	5 130
Balance Sheet					
Accounts payables	4,094	3,610	4,265	4,634	5,130
Other current liabilities	1,377	2,404	2,797	2,893	3,217
Provisions	77	278	235	235	235
Debt funds	8,296	8,612	5,612	2,612	22
Other liabilities	410	344	344	344	344
Equity capital	387	387	387	387	387
Reserves & surplus	46,400	49,895	58,801	67,027	76,435
Shareholders' fund	46,787	50,281	59,187	67,414	76,822
Total liabilities and equities	61,042	65,530	72,441	78,132	85,770
Cash and cash eq.	556	455	369	718	602
Accounts receivables	5,681	6,492	7,728	7,745	8,574
Inventories	7,130	5,804	6,836	7,409	8,201
Other current assets	3,351	2,508	4,310	4,378	4,846
Investments	10,831	10,631	10,631	13,631	19,631
Net fixed assets	27,861	32,771	36,555	38,739	39,403
CWIP	5,854	5,856	5,000	4,500	3,500
Intangible assets	0	0	0	0	0
Deferred tax assets, net	(3,255)	(1,783)	(1,783)	(1,783)	(1,783)
Other assets	3,033	2,796	2,796	2,796	2,796

Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

61,042

65,529

72,441

78,132

Total assets

85,770



Cash Flows

Casil 1 10W3					
Y/E 31 Mar (Rs mn)	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Net income + Depreciation	10,717	13,130	14,112	15,099	17,096
Interest expenses	111	73	128	82	26
Non-cash adjustments	(2,142)	(2,488)	(1,276)	(1,456)	(1,996)
Changes in working capital	(1,592)	2,273	(3,064)	(193)	(1,270)
Other operating cash flows	(60)	0	0	0	0
Cash flow from operations	7,034	12,988	9,900	13,532	13,857
Capital expenditures	(7,367)	(8,591)	(7,144)	(6,500)	(5,000)
Change in investments	202	200	0	(3,000)	(6,000)
Other investing cash flows	2,142	2,488	1,276	1,456	1,996
Cash flow from investing	(5,023)	(5,904)	(5,869)	(8,044)	(9,004)
Equities issued/Others	0	0	0	0	0
Debt raised/repaid	(59)	316	(3,000)	(3,000)	(2,590)
Interest expenses	(111)	(73)	(128)	(82)	(26)
Dividends paid	(1,688)	(5,127)	(990)	(2,057)	(2,352)
Other financing cash flows	(272)	(2,301)	0	0	0
Cash flow from financing	(2,129)	(7,185)	(4,118)	(5,139)	(4,968)
Changes in cash and cash eq.	(118)	(101)	(87)	349	(116)
Closing cash and cash eq.	556	455	369	718	602

Per Share

Y/E 31 Mar (Rs)	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Reported EPS	40.5	48.9	51.2	53.2	60.8
Adjusted EPS	40.5	48.9	51.2	53.2	60.8
Dividend per share	7.5	22.0	5.1	10.6	12.2
Book value per share	242.0	260.1	306.2	348.8	397.4

Valuations Ratios

Y/E 31 Mar (x)	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
EV/Sales	6.3	6.9	6.0	5.3	4.8
EV/EBITDA	25.2	26.3	20.3	19.0	17.0
Adjusted P/E	40.9	33.9	32.4	31.1	27.2
P/BV	6.8	6.4	5.4	4.7	4.2

DuPont Analysis

Y/E 31 Mar (%)	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Tax burden (Net profit/PBT)	68.6	84.2	75.4	74.8	74.8
Interest burden (PBT/EBIT)	95.5	99.4	99.0	99.4	99.8
EBIT margin (EBIT/Revenue)	22.8	23.6	24.4	22.5	23.1
Asset turnover (Revenue/Avg TA)	99.8	83.4	87.2	90.7	92.2
Leverage (Avg TA/Avg Equity)	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0
Adjusted ROAE	17.8	19.5	18.1	16.2	16.3

Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research | Note: TA = Total Assets



Ratio Analysis					
Y/E 31 Mar	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
YoY growth (%)					
Revenue	17.9	(8.8)	13.4	13.3	10.7
EBITDA	18.5	(4.8)	29.6	6.2	11.0
Adjusted EPS	5.8	20.8	4.7	3.9	14.4
Profitability & Return ratios (%)					
EBITDA margin	25.0	26.1	29.9	28.0	28.1
EBIT margin	22.8	23.6	24.4	22.5	23.1
Adjusted profit margin	14.9	19.8	18.2	16.7	17.3
Adjusted ROAE	16.7	18.8	16.7	15.3	15.3
ROCE	14.7	16.6	16.1	15.3	16.0
Working capital days (days)					
Receivables	37	46	48	46	44
Inventory	45	49	43	42	42
Payables	63	66	65	61	61
Ratios (x)					
Gross asset turnover	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Current ratio	3.0	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.6
Net interest coverage ratio	107.6	154.8	103.5	168.2	597.9
Adjusted debt/equity	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0

Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research



Disclaimer

Recommendations and Absolute returns (%) over 12 months

BUY - Expected return >+15%

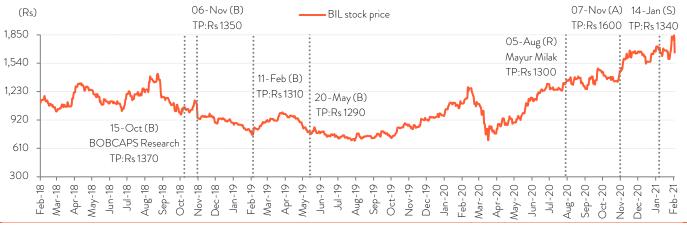
ADD - Expected return from >+5% to +15%

REDUCE – Expected return from -5% to +5%

SELL - Expected return <-5%

Note: Recommendation structure changed with effect from 1 January 2018 (Hold rating discontinued and replaced by Add / Reduce)

RATINGS AND TARGET PRICE (3-YEAR HISTORY): BALKRISHNA INDUSTRIES (BIL IN)



B – Buy, A – Add, R – Reduce, S – Sell

Rating distribution

As of 31 January 2021, out of 88 rated stocks in the BOB Capital Markets Limited (BOBCAPS) coverage universe, 41 have BUY ratings, 13 have ADD ratings, 6 are rated REDUCE and 28 are rated SELL. None of these companies have been investment banking clients in the last 12 months.

Analyst certification

The research analyst(s) authoring this report hereby certifies that (1) all of the views expressed in this research report accurately reflect his/her personal views about the subject company or companies and its or their securities, and (2) no part of his/her compensation was, is, or will be, directly or indirectly, related to the specific recommendation(s) or view(s) in this report. Analysts are not registered as research analysts by FINRA and are not associated persons of BOBCAPS.

General disclaimers

BOBCAPS is engaged in the business of Institutional Stock Broking and Investment Banking. BOBCAPS is a member of the National Stock Exchange of India Limited and BSE Limited and is also a SEBI-registered Category I Merchant Banker. BOBCAPS is a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of Baroda which has its various subsidiaries engaged in the businesses of stock broking, lending, asset management, life insurance, health insurance and wealth management, among others.

BOBCAPS's activities have neither been suspended nor has it defaulted with any stock exchange authority with whom it has been registered in the last five years. BOBCAPS has not been debarred from doing business by any stock exchange or SEBI or any other authority. No disciplinary action has been taken by any regulatory authority against BOBCAPS affecting its equity research analysis activities.

BOBCAPS has obtained registration as a Research Entity under SEBI (Research Analysts) Regulations, 2014, having registration No.: INH00000040 valid till 03 February 2025. BOBCAPS is also a SEBI-registered intermediary for the broking business having SEBI Single Registration Certificate No.: INZ000159332 dated 20 November 2017.

BOBCAPS prohibits its analysts, persons reporting to analysts, and members of their households from maintaining a financial interest in the securities or derivatives of any companies that the analysts cover. Additionally, BOBCAPS prohibits its analysts and persons reporting to analysts from serving as an officer, director, or advisory board member of any companies that the analysts cover.

Our salespeople, traders, and other professionals may provide oral or written market commentary or trading strategies to our clients that reflect opinions contrary to the opinions expressed herein, and our proprietary trading and investing businesses may make investment decisions that are inconsistent with the recommendations

BALKRISHNA INDUSTRIES



expressed herein. In reviewing these materials, you should be aware that any or all of the foregoing, among other things, may give rise to real or potential conflicts of interest. Additionally, other important information regarding our relationships with the company or companies that are the subject of this material is provided herein.

This material should not be construed as an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any security in any jurisdiction where such an offer or solicitation would be illegal. We are not soliciting any action based on this material. It is for the general information of BOBCAPS's clients. It does not constitute a personal recommendation or take into account the particular investment objectives, financial situations, or needs of individual clients. Before acting on any advice or recommendation in this material, clients should consider whether it is suitable for their particular circumstances and, if necessary, seek professional advice.

The price and value of the investments referred to in this material and the income from them may go down as well as up, and investors may realize losses on any investments. Past performance is not a guide for future performance, future returns are not guaranteed and a loss of original capital may occur. BOBCAPS does not provide tax advice to its clients, and all investors are strongly advised to consult with their tax advisers regarding any potential investment in certain transactions — including those involving futures, options, and other derivatives as well as non-investment-grade securities — that give rise to substantial risk and are not suitable for all investors. The material is based on information that we consider reliable, but we do not represent that it is accurate or complete, and it should not be relied on as such. Opinions expressed are our current opinions as of the date appearing on this material only. We endeavour to update on a reasonable basis the information discussed in this material, but regulatory, compliance, or other reasons may prevent us from doing so.

We and our affiliates, officers, directors, and employees, including persons involved in the preparation or issuance of this material, may from time to time have "long" or "short" positions in, act as principal in, and buy or sell the securities or derivatives thereof of companies mentioned herein and may from time to time add to or dispose of any such securities (or investment). We and our affiliates may act as market makers or assume an underwriting commitment in the securities of companies discussed in this document (or in related investments), may sell them to or buy them from customers on a principal basis, and may also perform or seek to perform investment banking or advisory services for or relating to these companies and may also be represented in the supervisory board or any other committee of these companies.

For the purpose of calculating whether BOBCAPS and its affiliates hold, beneficially own, or control, including the right to vote for directors, one per cent or more of the equity shares of the subject company, the holdings of the issuer of the research report is also included.

BOBCAPS and its non-US affiliates may, to the extent permissible under applicable laws, have acted on or used this research to the extent that it relates to non-US issuers, prior to or immediately following its publication. Foreign currency denominated securities are subject to fluctuations in exchange rates that could have an adverse effect on the value or price of or income derived from the investment. In addition, investors in securities such as ADRs, the value of which are influenced by foreign currencies, effectively assume currency risk. In addition, options involve risks and are not suitable for all investors. Please ensure that you have read and understood the Risk disclosure document before entering into any derivative transactions.

In the US, this material is only for Qualified Institutional Buyers as defined under rule 144(a) of the Securities Act, 1933. No part of this document may be distributed in Canada or used by private customers in the United Kingdom.

No part of this material may be (1) copied, photocopied, or duplicated in any form by any means or (2) redistributed without BOBCAPS's prior written consent.

Company-specific disclosures under SEBI (Research Analysts) Regulations, 2014

The research analyst(s) or his/her relatives do not have any material conflict of interest at the time of publication of this research report.

BOBCAPS or its research analyst(s) or his/her relatives do not have any financial interest in the subject company. BOBCAPS or its research analyst(s) or his/her relatives do not have actual/beneficial ownership of one per cent or more securities in the subject company at the end of the month immediately preceding the date of publication of this report.

The research analyst(s) has not received any compensation from the subject company in the past 12 months. Compensation of the research analyst(s) is not based on any specific merchant banking, investment banking or brokerage service transactions.

BOBCAPS or its research analyst(s) is not engaged in any market making activities for the subject company.

The research analyst(s) has not served as an officer, director or employee of the subject company.

BOBCAPS or its associates may have material conflict of interest at the time of publication of this research report.

BOBCAPS's associates may have financial interest in the subject company. BOBCAPS's associates may hold actual / beneficial ownership of one per cent or more securities in the subject company at the end of the month immediately preceding the date of publication of this report.

BOBCAPS or its associates may have managed or co-managed a public offering of securities for the subject company or may have been mandated by the subject company for any other assignment in the past 12 months.

BOBCAPS may have received compensation from the subject company in the past 12 months. BOBCAPS may from time to time solicit or perform investment banking services for the subject company. BOBCAPS or its associates may have received compensation from the subject company in the past 12 months for services in respect of managing or co-managing public offerings, corporate finance, investment banking or merchant banking, brokerage services or other advisory services in a merger or specific transaction. BOBCAPS or its associates may have received compensation for products or services other than investment banking or merchant banking or brokerage services from the subject company in the past 12 months.