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## **Company Overview**

Established in 2003, EPACK Durable Ltd. is engaged in the business of design and manufacture of complete room air conditioners (RAC). It is the second largest original design manufacturer (ODM) in the room air conditioning space in terms of number of units manufactured in India. Commencing its operations as an OEM for RAC brands in 2003 with a single manufacturing unit in Dehradun, the company has evolved into number of businesses such as ODM for RACs, manufacturing of window and split ACs, manufacturing of induction cooktops, mixer grinders, heat exchangers, cross flow fans, axial fans, copper fabricated products, induction coils etc. The company is a consumer-centric business that is driven by its focus on continuous innovation and operational efficiency. Over the years, the company has identified various opportunities to improve the value addition in its offerings to its customers and commenced manufacturing of various components that are actively used in manufacturing RACs. Due to such foresightedness, the company currently has three vertically integrated manufacturing facilities at Bhiwadi, Sri City and Dehradun which enables it to maintain operational costs and manage logistics. The company's strong manufacturing capability build over the years has helped it to leverage the manufacturing prowess to venture into the manufacturing of small domestic appliances, thereby saving itself from a potentially high capex. Having over 100 years of cumulative promoter experience and a demonstrated ability to successfully create, build and grow businesses, the company has established a deep customer relationship and achieved brand value in the market.

| Obj | ects | of the | issue |
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The net proceeds from the fresh issue will be used towards the following purposes:

- ⇒ Funding capital expenditure for the expansion/setting up of manufacturing facilities;
- ⇒ Repayment and/or prepayment, in part or in full, of certain outstanding loans of the company and
- ⇒ General corporate purposes.

### **Investment Rationale**

## Long-standing relationships with established customers, with a potential to expand the customer base

Over the course of its business, the company has established long-standing relationships with a number of well-known Indian and global customers. The average length of relationship with its RAC customers is 8.7 years and with SDA customers is 6.3 years. Some of the prominent long-standing customers include Blue Star Ltd., Daikin Air Conditioning India Pvt. Ltd., Carrier Midea Pvt. Ltd., Voltas Ltd., Havells India Ltd., Haier Appliances (India) Pvt. Ltd., Bajaj Electricals Ltd., Usha International Ltd. among others. The growth of the company and expansion of its market share can be attributed to its relationship with customers and the company intends to leverage such relationship for future growth as well. As of Q2FY24 and FY23, the top five customers accounted for 79.62% and 82.66% of its revenue from operations, respectively, which demonstrates the trust of customers on the company over the years. The company has always focused on quality, ability to respond to any demand volatility with agility, the ability to maintain a consistent supply of products, the ability to work with customers from the product conceptualization stage, and the price competitiveness of its products in order to help it establish and maintain long term relationships with its customers. The company strives to innovate and offer value-added and technologically advanced products and solutions to its customers. By doing so, the company seeks to deepen its customer relationships with the objective of becoming their preferred supplier.

# Advanced vertically integrated manufacturing operations, with product portfolio aimed at capturing the full spectrum of RAC and SDA value chain

The company has the highest amount of backward integration for RACs at a single location that has been grown within the same company organically in India. With its manufacturing operations being concentrated within Dehradun, Uttarakhand, Bhiwadi, Rajasthan and Sri City, Andhra Pradesh, the company is in a position to regulate and monitor its operations more closely, assisting itself in its objective of lowering operational costs and maintaining efficient logistics management. The company's products and corresponding components are manufactured within the same location, which helps it eliminate costs typically incurred in the transportation of parts between facilities. In addition to the

| Issue Details                    |  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Offer Period                     | 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2024 - 23 <sup>rd</sup><br>Jan 2024 |
| Price Band                       | Rs. 218 to Rs. 230                                       |
| Bid Lot                          | 65   |
| Listing                          | BSE & NSE  |
| Issue Size (no. of shares in mn) | 27.83  |
| Issue Size (Rs. in bn)           | 6.40   |
| Face Value<br>(Rs.)              | 10   |

| Issue Structure  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| issue off acture |     |
| QIB              | 50% |
| NIB              | 15% |
| Retail           | 35% |

|      | Axis Capital Ltd, |
|------|-------------------|
| BRLM | DAM Capital Advi- |
|      | sors Ltd, ICICI   |
|      | Securities Ltd.   |

| Registrar | KFin Technologies |
|-----------|-------------------|
| Registial | Ltd               |

| Particulars P                      | re Issue<br>% | Post Issue % |
|------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Promoter                           | 42.90         | 31.63        |
| Promoter group                     | 22.46         | 16.41        |
| Public –<br>other sell-<br>ing s/h | 20.13         | 10.98        |
| Public-<br>others                  | 14.51         | 40.98        |
| Total                              | 100.00        | 100.00       |

(Assuming issue subscribed at higher band)

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the manufacturing and assembling of RACs and SDAs, the company also manufactures various RAC and SDA components such as heat exchangers, cross flow fans, axial fans, injection moulded components, copper fabricated components, PCBA's, etc. thereby facilitating the backward integration of its manufacturing operations. In addition to diversifying the revenue streams, manufacturing of components has enabled the company to be an integrated solutions provider and accordingly, allows them to cater to all aspects of the RAC and SDA manufacturing value chain. The company offers customized manufacturing solutions that range from assembly-only to near-complete integrated manufacturing which may only involve external sourcing of compressors and RAC motors, depending on the client's requirements, with the endeavor to capture the entire product value chain. Further, the current RAC product offerings such as window air conditioners, window inverter air conditioners, and split air conditioners enable the company to offer further customization to RAC brands in terms of completely built-up units or IDUs and ODUs separately. Additionally, the vertical integration of manufacturing operations has helped it to efficiently improve the quality of products and minimize dependency on third-party suppliers, which has allowed the company to increase control over its manufacturing lead time and costs.

### **Valuation**

From being the world's fifth largest economy as of FY23 and having a gross domestic product of USD 3.75 trillion, India is poised to grow at a stable rate of 6% and achieve the third largest economy status in the future. The ongoing structural reforms by the Government of India such as infrastructure development, disinvestment, higher FDI limits, and projects like national infrastructure policy and national logistics policy are about to yield fruitful results in various domains in the coming period. An interesting trend has been observed in global economics that when an economy exceeds the USD 2,000 per capita mark, the country's economy is poised to grow at a faster pace than before. Also, such an event has shown a positive impact on the consumer electronics market in the past. With India reaching the inflection point of USD 2,000 per capita income in CY2020, it aims to reach the USD 10,000 per capita mark by CY2047, thereby growing at the rate of 7% yearly and achieving a USD 20 trillion economy status. As of today, such impact on the growth of consumer electronics market post the USD 2,000 per capita achievement mark is seen in the increasing government schemes for consumer electronic industries. On the industry front, the Indian consumer durables ODM market is estimated to be Rs. 300 billion in FY23 out of which Room Air Conditioning manufacturing has a 19% share which is approximately Rs. 57 billion. Nowadays, split air conditioning systems have gained popularity compared to window ACs, with split ACs forming 87% of the market share. Also, the penetration rate of room air conditioners in India is lower at 8% compared to 42% globally. Therefore, we believe that sectoral tailwinds such as increasing global temperatures, higher consumer purchasing power and spending, favorable government policies, increased urbanization, and increased domestic consumption of RACs would benefit the company in the long term. Additionally, long-standing relationships with marquee customers, diverse product portfolio, backward integrated manufacturing facilities and strong management experience in the field of component and RAC manufacturing positions the company favorably for the future. On the financial performance front, the company's Revenue/EBITDA/PAT grew at a CAGR of 44.6%/56.2%/102.5% during the FY2021-23 period. On the upper price band, the issue is valued at a P/E of 49.6x based on FY2023 earnings which we feel is fairly valued and is lower than its comparable peers. We, therefore, recommend a "Subscribe" rating to the issue from a medium to long-term perspective.

### Key Risks

- ⇒ The company's business is dependent on its three manufacturing facilities, and the company is subject to certain risks in its manufacturing process. Any slowdown or shutdown in its manufacturing operations could have an adverse effect on its business, financial condition, and results of operations.
- ⇒ If the company is unable to introduce new products and respond to changing customer requirements, including due to changing customer preferences and regulatory requirements in a timely and effective manner, the demand for its products may decline, which may have an adverse effect on its business, results of operations and financial condition.
- ⇒ The company is subject to precise technical specifications and quality requirements. Any failure to comply with the quality standards and technical specifications prescribed by such customers may lead to loss of business from such customers or product liability claims or claims alleging deficiency in service, and could negatively impact the company's reputation, which would have an adverse impact on its business prospects and results of operations.



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## Income Statement (Rs. in millions)

|  | ,     |       |        |        |
|--|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| Particulars                                  | FY21  | FY22  | FY23   | H1FY24 |
| Revenue                                      |       |       |        |        |
| Revenue from Operations                      | 7,362 | 9,242 | 15,388 | 6,148  |
| Total Revenue                                | 7,362 | 9,242 | 15,388 | 6,148  |
| Expenses                                     |       |       |        |        |
| Cost of raw material and components consumed | 6,550 | 7,985 | 12,988 | 5,051  |
| Purchase of Stock in trade                   | -     | -     | 296    | 138    |
| Changes in inventory                         | (59)  | (41)  | (44)   | 86     |
| Employee benefit expenses                    | 170   | 233   | 334    | 210    |
| Other expenses                               | 281   | 378   | 788    | 293    |
| Total Operating Expenses                     | 6,942 | 8,554 | 14,363 | 5,778  |
| EBITDA                                       | 420   | 688   | 1,025  | 370    |
| Depreciation and Amortization expenses       | 90    | 163   | 261    | 161    |
| Other income                                 | 34    | 32    | 14     | 15     |
| EBIT   | 365   | 557   | 779    | 224    |
| Finance costs                                | 256   | 294   | 315    | 179    |
| Exceptional Item                             | -     | -     | (16)   | -      |
| Share of Profit(Loss) of associate           | -     | -     | (8)    | (6)    |
| PBT  | 109   | 263   | 440    | 40     |
| Current tax                                  | 28    | 77    | 104    | 7      |
| Deferred Tax charge/ (credit)                | 2     | 11    | 16     | 4      |
| Tax relating to previous years               | 2     | 0     | 1      | 2      |
| Total tax                                    | 31    | 89    | 121    | 13     |
| PAT  | 78    | 174   | 320    | 27     |
| Diluted EPS                                  | 1.6   | 3.5   | 4.6    | 0.3    |
|  |       |       |        |        |

Source: RHP, BP Equities Research

## **Cash Flow Statement (Rs. in millions)**

| Particulars  | FY21  | FY22    | FY23    | H1FY24  |
|--|-------|---------|---------|---------|
| Cash flow from operating activities                      | 474   | (289)   | 188     | 1,581   |
|  |       |         |         |         |
| Cash flow from investing activities                      | (67)  | (2,042) | (2,175) | (621)   |
|  |       |         |         |         |
| Cash flow from financing activities                      | (425) | 2,535   | 2,345   | (1,455) |
|  |       |         |         |         |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents     | (18)  | 204     | 359     | (495)   |
|  |       |         |         |         |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period | 55    | 36      | 241     | 600     |
|  |       |         |         |         |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period       | 36    | 241     | 600     | 105     |
| Source: RHP. BP Equities Research                        |       |         |         |         |

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## Balance Sheet (Rs. in millions)

| Particulars                                 | FY21  | FY22       | FY23         | H1FY24 |
|---|-------|------------|--------------|--------|
| Equity and Liabilities                      |       |            |              |        |
| Equity Share Capital                        | 482   | 521        | 521          | 521    |
| Other Equity                                | 207   | 698        | 2,427        | 3,964  |
| nstruments entirely equity in nature        | -     | -          | 188          | 299    |
| otal Equity                                 | 689   | 1,219      | 3,136        | 4,783  |
| Ion-Current Liabilities                     |       |            |              |        |
| inancial Liabilities                        |       |            |              |        |
| )Long term Borrowings                       | 677   | 596        | 1,136        | 1,373  |
| i)Lease liabilities                         | 185   | 258        | 260          | 439    |
| Provisions                                  | 10    | 20         | 28           | 34     |
| Deferred tax liabilities (net)              | 69    | 124        | 139          | 143    |
| Current Liabilities                         |       |            |              |        |
| inancial Liabilities                        |       |            |              |        |
| )Short Term Borrowings                      | 1,708 | 3,244      | 3,789        | 2,323  |
| i)Lease liabilities                         | 52    | 56         | 65           | 162    |
| ii)Trade Payable                            |       |            |              |        |
| ue to micro and small enterprise            | 100   | 181        | 192          | 42     |
| ue to other than micro and small enterprise | 1,419 | 3,158      | 3,699        | 1,171  |
| v)Other financial liabilities               | 123   | 1,746      | 1,917        | 177    |
| Current tax liabilities (net)               | -     | 1          | -            | -      |
| rovisions                                   | 16    | 11         | 6            | 13     |
| Other current liabilities                   | 154   | 153        | 275          | 54     |
| otal Current Liabilities                    | 3,574 | 8,550      | 9,943        | 3,943  |
| otal liabilities                            | 4,515 | 9,548      | 11,505       | 5,931  |
| otal Equity and Liabilities                 | 5,204 | 10,767     | 14,642       | 10,714 |
| Assets                                      | ·     | ·          | ,            | ·      |
| Ion-Current Assets                          |       |            |              |        |
| roperty, plant and equipment                | 810   | 2,379      | 3,235        | 3,362  |
| apital work in Progress                     | -     | 85         | 915          | 1,441  |
| Goodwill                                    | -     | 5          | 5            | 5      |
| ight of Use assets                          | 349   | 882        | 951          | 1,394  |
| nvestment accounted for using equity method | -     | -          | 18           | 12     |
| ther Intangible Assets                      | 0     | 2          | 2            | 2      |
| inancial Assets                             |       |            |              |        |
| )Investments                                | -     | 31         | 31           | 31     |
| i)Loans                                     | -     | -          | 46           | 46     |
| ii)Other financial assets                   | 15    | 23         | 20           | 23     |
| ncome tax assets(net)                       | -     | 14         | 42           | 93     |
| other non current assets                    | 14    | 77         | 671          | 524    |
| otal Non current assets                     | 1,189 | 3,498      | 5,935        | 6,931  |
| urrent Assets                               | -,    | 5,.55      | 3,000        | 0,001  |
| ventories                                   | 1,405 | 2,773      | 2,937        | 1,891  |
| inancial Assets                             | 1,100 | 2,         | 2,001        | .,001  |
| )Trade Receivables                          | 2,342 | 3,562      | 4,791        | 1,378  |
| i)Cash and cash equivalents                 | 36    | 241        | 600          | 105    |
| ii)Balance other than bank                  | 79    | 348        | 154          | 1      |
| v)Other financial assets                    | 22    | 26         | 13           | 81     |
| ther current assets                         | 129   | 312        | 212          | 314    |
| ncome tax assets(net)                       | 129   | 6          | <b>-</b> 1 - | 13     |
| otal Current Assets                         | 4,014 | 7,269      | -<br>8,707   | 3,783  |
| otal Assets                                 | 5,204 | 10,767     | 14,642       | 10,714 |
|   | 5,204 |            | 14,042       | 13     |
| ncome tax assets(net)                       | 4,014 | 6<br>7 269 | 9 707        |        |
| Total Current Assets                        | 4,014 | 7,269      | 8,707        | 3,783  |

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