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IPO NOTE

IPO ANALYSIS

Sector: Stationery and Art Material Issue Price: INR 750 to INR 790 Issue Size: INR 1,200 Crores Issue Opens/Closes: Dec 13 / Dec 15

Promoters: FILA (Fabbrica Italiana Lapis ed Affini S.p.A.), Santosh Rasiklal Raveshia, Sanjay Mansukhlal Rajani, Ketan Mansukhlal Rajani and Chandni Vijay Somaiya

Selling Shareholders: FILA (Fabbrica Italiana Lapis ed Affini S.p.A.), Sanjay Mansukhlal Rajani and Ketan Mansukhlal Rajani

Lead Managers: JM Financial, BNP Paribas, ICICI Securities, IIFL Securities

Registered Office: Gujarat

Registrar: Link Intime India Pvt Ltd.

Listing: BSE and NSE

IPO Capital Structure							
Fresh Issue	4,430,380 equity shares upto INR 350 Cr						
Offer for Sale	10,759,492 equity shares upto INR 850 Cr						
Total Issue as % of total capital (Post-Issue)	25.03%						
Post Issue No. of Shares	60,680,598						
Employee Reservation	69,930 equity shares upto INR 5 Cr						
Employee Discount	INR 75 per share						
Post Issue Market Cap	INR 4,569 – 4,794 Cr						
Face Value	INR 10						
Issue Route	Book Build Issue						
All values calculated at upper band	•						

Financial Snapshot (INR in crs)								
Y/E Mar	FY21	FY22	FY23					
Equity Share Capital	0.37	0.37	0.37					
Reserves	233.24	246.87	337.06					
Net worth	233.61	247.25	337.43					
Revenue from Ops	402.82	683.60	1,211.89					
Growth (%)	-	69.71%	77.28%					
EBITDA	30.03	69.71	186.66					
EBITDA (%)	7.45%	10.20%	15.40%					
Net Profit	(6.03)	17.14	102.87					
Net Profit (%)	(1.50)%	2.51%	8.49%					
Basic EPS	(1.07)	3.05	18.29					
Diluted EPS	(1.07)	3.05	18.29					
RONW (%)	(2.58)%	6.93%	30.49%					
ROCE (%)	0.36%	10.04%	33.31%					
NAV (INR)	41.53	43.95	59.99					
P/E (Based on Upper	Band)		43.19					
Average Industry P/E			35.98					
P/B (Based on Upper	Band)		13.17					
Shareholding Pattern								
Holders	Pre-is:	sue	Post Issue					
Promoters	100.0	0%	74.97%					
Public	0.00	%	25.03%					

Particulars	Retail Category	NII bid between Rs 2 lakhs- Rs 10 lakhs	NII bid above Rs 10 lakhs		
Minimum Bid Lot (Shares)		270	1,278		
Minimum Bid Lot Amount (₹)	₹14,220	₹ 2,13,300	₹ 10,09,620		
No of Applications for 1x	84,037	2,801	5,602		

100.00%

100.00%

Total

DOMS Industries Limited

Dec 14, 2023

Issue Highlights:

- DOMS Industries Limited ('DOMS') was founded on October 24, 2006. It's the second-largest
 player in India's stationery and art market, holding a ~12% market share as of Fiscal 2023. Key
 products like pencils and mathematical instrument boxes command significant market shares of
 29% and 30% by value, respectively, in Fiscal 2023.
- The company, originally 'Writefine Products Private Limited' since October 24, 2006, is backed by Santosh Rasiklal Raveshia, Sanjay Mansukhlal Rajani, Ketan Mansukhlal Rajani, Chandni Vijay Somaiya, and Fabbrica Italiana Lapis ed Affini S.p.A. ('FILA') as Promoters, owning 89.26% of its pre-offer share capital.
- Established in 1973 by Rasiklal Amritlal Raveshia and Mansukhlal Jamnadas Rajani, 'R.R. Industries' started in pencil and crayon manufacturing. In 2005, the Promoter Group launched 'S. Tech Industries,' focusing on polymer-based scholastic stationery. Later, 'Writefine Products Pvt Ltd' acquired these businesses. In 2012, it entered into a strategic partnership with FILA, a global supplier of 'art materials' and 'stationery products,' with FILA reporting a consolidated total revenue of approximately USD 84 crore by December 31, 2022.
- Under the flagship brand 'DOMS,' the company offers a diverse range of stationery and art products across seven categories. Their partnership with FILA has expanded their global presence, aiding in international distribution and enhancing R&D capabilities.
- DOMS operates 13 manufacturing facilities in Umbergaon, Gujarat, covering approximately 34 acres and boasting an annual installed capacity of 473.49 crore units. Additionally, they have a facility in Bari Brahma, Jammu, across approximately 2 acres.
- Their robust domestic distribution network comprises over 120 super-stockists, 4,000 distributors, and a sales team of 500+ covering 120,000+ retail touchpoints across 3,500 cities and towns.
- With 'wooden pencils' as their top revenue-generating product, contributing 31.66% to Gross Product Sales as of Fiscal 2023, DOMS continues to innovate and expand its product range under various sub-brands like 'C3,' 'Amariz,' and 'Fixyfix.'
- DOMS has demonstrated strong financial growth, showcasing impressive increases in Gross Product Sales, revenue, EBITDA Margin (%), and Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) over the last three fiscal years.

Key Risks

- Product concentration risk as ~60-62% of Gross Product Sales come from key products, especially 'wooden pencils'
- Over 70% of sales are dependent on the 'general trade' distribution network
- Ongoing civil litigation with a listed peer could potentially affect the company's reputation and financial condition.
- The business is significantly reliant on the FILA Group for operations and export sales, and any changes in this relationship could affect R&D and export capabilities.
- Reliance on limited suppliers and lack of formal contracts for raw material procurement may impact operations and financials if favorable terms are not maintained.
- Low entry barriers in the 'stationery and art material' industry result in high competition with numerous players entering the market.

Particulars	No. of shares at Lower Band (Cr.)	No. of shares at Upper Band (Cr.)	Issue Size Amount (Rs. Cr.)	% Of Issue
QIB	1.20	1.13	896.25	75.00%
NIB	0.24	0.23	179.25	15.00%
-NIB1 (Bid between ₹ 2 to 10 Lakhs)	0.16	0.15	119.50	-
-NIB2 (Bid above ₹ 10 Lakhs)	0.08	0.08	<i>59.75</i>	-
Retail	0.16	0.15	119.50	10.00%
Employee	0.01	0.01	5.00	
Total	1.60	1.52	1,200.00	100.00%

An Indicative Timetable Post Issue Closing							
Particulars	Tentative Date						
Finalization of Basis of Allotment	December 18, 2023						
Refunds/un-blocking of ASBA Accounts	December 19, 2023						
Credit of Equity Shares to DP Ac	December 19, 2023						
Trading Commences	December 20, 2023						

Investors are advised to refer disclosures made at the end of the research report.

BACKGROUND

Brief Biographies of Directors

Gianmatteo Terruzzi is the Chairman and Independent Director of the company. He is registered as a fiduciary in the Register of Fiduciaries, Republic and Canton of Ticino. He was previously associated with LVT Advisors S.R.L., Egida SRL, I.R.E. 2 S.R.L., and Lusben Varazze S.R.L.

Santosh Rasiklal Raveshia is the Managing Director and one of the Individual Promoters of the company. He has been associated with the company since its incorporation. He joined R.R. Industries in 2000 and has been its partner since 2002. Further, he has been the partner of S-Tech Industries since 2006.

Sanjay Mansukhlal Rajani is the Whole Time Director and one of the Individual Promoters of the company. He joined R. R. Industries in 1985 and has been its partner since 2011.

Ketan Mansukhlal Rajani is the Whole Time Director and one of the Individual Promoters of the company. He joined R. R. Industries in 2003 and has been its partner since 2011.

Chandni Vijay Somaiya is the Whole Time Director and one of the Individual Promoters of the company. She joined S-Tech Industries as a partner in 2004.

Massimo Candela is the Non-Executive Director of the company. He has been associated with FILA since 1992 as CEO.

Luca Pelosin is the Non-Executive Director of the company. He was previously associated with Nuova Alpa Collanti S.r.l. as special attorney.

Annalisa Matilde Elena Barbera is the Non-Executive Director of the company. She was previously associated with Trifirò and Partners as an associate. She is currently associated with Studio Legale Salonia e Associati as a partner.

Cristian Nicoletti is the Non-Executive Director of the company. He was previously associated with Akzo Nobel Coatings S.p.A. as a manager of its Fombio (Lo) plant. He is currently associated with FILA as its CFO.

Rajiv Ishwarbhai Mistry is the Independent Director of the company. He is the founder and chairman of Ascent Meditech Ltd.

Mehul Shah is the Independent Director of the company. He has been enrolled as an advocate with the Bar Council of Maharashtra and Goa since 1999. He has been associated with Khaitan & Co as a partner.

Darshika Thacker is the Independent Director of the company. She is currently associated with Thacker & Associates as a partner.

Mitesh Padia is the Company Secretary and Compliance Officer of the company. He joined the company on January 1, 2018.

Rahul Shah is the Chief Financial Officer of the company. He joined the company on December 1, 2016.

Objects of the Issue

Objects	Amount (₹ Cr)
 Part finance the cost of establishing a new manufacturing facility at Umbergaon, District Valsad. 	280.00
General Corporate Purposes	[•]
Total	[•]

Offer Details

Fresh Issue		No. of Shares	VACA per Equity Share (in ₹)
Fresh Issue	₹ 350 Cr	Upto 4,666,667~ - 4,430,380^ Equity Shares	_
The Offer for Sale by:	₹ 850 Cr	Upto 11,333,332~ - 10,759,492^ Equity Shares	
The Promoter Selling Shareholders:			
F.I.L.A Fabbrica Italiana Lapis ed Affini S.p.A.	₹ 800 Cr	Upto 10,666,668~ - 10,126,582^ Equity Shares#	101.53
Sanjay Mansukhlal Rajani	₹ 25 Cr	Upto 333,332~ - 316,455^ Equity Shares#	0.03
Ketan Mansukhlal Rajani	₹ 25 Cr	Upto 333,332~ - 316,455^ Equity Shares#	0.03

(~ at lower price band and ^ upper price band); # shares are rounded/adjusted to the nearest.

Shareholding Pattern

	Pre	-offer	Fresh Issue and	Post-offer		
Shareholders	Number of Equity Shares	% of Total Equity Share Capital	Offer for shares, offered	Number of Equity Shares	% of Total Equity Share Capital	
Promoters	50,210,218	89.26%	10,759,492	39,450,726	65.01%	
Promoters Group	6,040,000	10.74%	-	6,040,000	9.95%	
Total for Promoter and Promoter Group	56,250,218	100.00%	10,759,492	45,490,726	74.97%	
Public	0	0.00%	4,430,380	15,189,871	25.03%	
Total for Public Shareholders	0	0.00%	4,430,380	15,189,871	25.03%	
Total Equity Share Capital	56,250,218	100.00%	15,189,871	60,680,598	100.00%	

Products

DOMS offers well-designed and quality 'stationery and art material' products to consumers, which they classify across 7 categories: (i) scholastic stationery; (ii) scholastic art material; (iii) paper stationery; (iv) kits and combos; (v) office supplies; (vi) hobby and craft; and (vii) fine art products.

Scholastic Stationery	į	Scholastic Art Material	Hob	by & Craft	(Office Supplies	F	Paper Stationery	F	ne Art Products)	Kits & Combos
Black Lead Pencils Mechanical Pencils Erasers Sharpeners Mathematical Instruments Chalk & Chalk Holders		Wax Crayons Oil Pastels Colour Pencils Plastic Crayons Poster Colours Water Colours Sketch Markers Brush Pens Tempera Colours Brushes	• Pla • Gli	delling Clay nying Dough itter Glue quid Glue		Pens Board Markers Permanent Markers Correction Pens Glue Sticks		Notebooks Exercise Book Drawing Book Sketch Pads Executive Diaries Conference Pads		Artists Pencils Kneadable Erasers Water Colours for Artist Gouache Colours Varnishes & Mediums Inks Canvases Artist Papers Brushes for Artists A wide range of Artist Essentials		Stationery Kits Art Material Kits Painting Kits Combo Packs
SKU Count : 392	į	SKU Count : 283	SKI	Count: 45		KU Count : 146	1	SKU Count: 418		SKU Count : 2531		SKU Count : 63

Sales and Distribution Network

As of September 30, 2023, DOMS possesses an extensive distribution network, both within India and internationally, covering 45+ countries across the Americas, Africa, Asia Pacific, Europe, and the Middle East. In India, they distribute their products through three primary channels: **General Trade:** Utilizing over 120 super-stockists and 4,000 distributors, DOMS operates a broad general trade network. Their dedicated sales team, comprising 500+ personnel, reaches more than 120,000 retail touchpoints in 3,500 cities and towns.

Modern Trade and E-commerce: DOMS engages with various modern trade platforms such as supermarkets, hypermarkets, minimarkets, and cash and carry stores. Additionally, their product range is available on multiple e-commerce platforms to enhance consumer accessibility.

The revenue through the distribution channels:

	6 months end	led Sep 30,	Financial Year								
	20	23	20	23	20	22	20	21			
Segment	Revenue ₹ Cr	% to Total	Revenue ₹ Cr	% to Total	Revenue ₹ Cr	% to Total	Revenue ₹ Cr	% to Total			
Domestic	632.65	81.44%	974.16	79.09%	528.36	76.23%	312.88	75.75%			
General trade	587.17	75.58%	915.69	74.34%	492.18	71.01%	290.69	70.38%			
Modern trade and ecommerce platform	22.31	2.87%	26.29	2.13%	21.48	3.10%	12.02	2.91%			
Others*	23.17	2.98%	32.18	2.61%	14.70	2.12%	10.18	2.46%			
Exports	144.19	18.56%	257.57	20.91%	164.73	23.77%	100.17	24.25%			
Export to the FILA Group	85.48	11.00%	158.61	12.88%	106.53	15.37%	69.31	16.78%			
Third party exports	58.71	7.56%	98.97	8.03%	58.20	8.40%	30.86	7.47%			
Total sale of products	776.84	100.00%	1,231.73	100.00%	693.10	100.00%	413.05	100.00%			

^{*}Others includes OEMs, institutional sales, merchant exports and other ancillary sales.

Revenue from Operations

Segment-wise Revenue from operations

	6 months ended Sep 30,		Financial Year	
	2023	2023	2022	2021
	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue
Segment	₹ Cr	₹ Cr	₹ Cr	₹ Cr
Sale of products	760.31	1,207.66	680.42	400.36
- Scholastic stationery	354.36	568.81	326.98	191.00
- Scholastic art material	202.99	292.80	166.37	97.52
- Paper stationery	77.32	127.35	64.08	40.25
- Kits and combos	67.26	126.38	79.69	46.50
- Office supplies	48.81	75.25	40.31	24.56
- Hobby and craft	11.26	15.73	0.65	0.37
- Fine art products	8.32	14.17	9.62	5.81
- Others	6.53	11.26	5.41	7.03
- Less: Discount, Rebate	(16.53)	(24.07)	(12.68)	(12.69)
Other operating revenues	1.49	4.23	3.18	2.46
- Export incentive*	1.49	4.23	3.18	2.46
Total	761.80	1,211.89	683.60	402.82

The revenue contribution based on geographical area:

	6 months end	ed Sep 30,	Financial Year									
	20	23	20	23	20	22	2021					
	Revenue		Revenue		Revenue		Revenue					
Segment	₹ Cr	% to Total	₹ Cr	% to Total	₹ Cr	% to Total	₹ Cr	% to Total				
Domestic	616.21	81.05%	950.21	78.68%	515.81	75.81%	300.19	74.98%				
Exports	144.10	18.95%	257.45	21.32%	164.61	24.19%	100.17	25.02%				
Total sale of products	760.31	100.00%	1,207.66	100.00%	680.42	100.00%	400.36	100.00%				

Company Brands and Products

Major Brands



'**DOMS**' is company's flagship brand. The products under the 'DOMS' brand are known for its premium quality and product designing. They sell all products in the scholastic stationery, scholastic art material, paper stationery, hobby and craft, office supplies and kits and combos under this brand. Their 'DOMS' brand tag line, 'Every Ambition Needs Preparation', is intended to create optimistic and progressive thoughts and encourage students, hobby enthusiasts and professionals to discover their talents and enhance their skills.



'C3' brand was launched in the year 2012, to capture the affordable market segment. The key product in this category are polymer pencils, which when compared to wooden pencils are slightly cheaper. They introduced other products along with 'C3' polymer pencils, include colour pencils, sharpeners, erasers, kits and combos, chalks, and mathematical instruments box.

Key sub-brands under the flagship brand 'DOMS'



'Amariz' was launched in the year 2022, as a sub-brand under the flagship brand 'DOMS'. The company has introduced and continue to introduce fine art products under 'Amariz' with a specific focus towards artists professionals as an end user. They have recently launched art brushes and kneadable erasers under this sub-brand.



'FixyFix' was launched in the year 2023, as a sub-brand under the flagship brand 'DOMS'. The company offers an exclusive range of glues and adhesives under this sub-brand. They have recently launched glue sticks, glitter glues, fragrance glues and white glues under 'FixyFix'.

Key Products



Wooden pencils: The wooden pencil portfolio comprises black-lead and color-lead pencils. The black-lead pencils offer a variety of shapes, colors, and pack sizes, including drawing pencils with different lead degrees like 2B, 3B, 4B, etc. Notably, the company introduced the triangular-shaped 'DOMS' zoom pencils in mixed pastel shades, a groundbreaking shift from the prevailing hexagonal design in India. They also innovated groove pencils, leveraging patented technology for ergonomic advantages like easy grip, enhanced support, leading to better handwriting and coloring experiences.

In the wooden color-lead pencil range, they offer half-size and full-size pencils in 24 shades. Additionally, they produce bi-color, water-soluble, and mega colors pencils. An extender feature in the half-size pencils increases their longevity post-sharpening. Among the popular products are 'DOMS' neon pencils with eraser tips, 'DOMS' zoom triangle pencils, and 'DOMS' X1 pencils.

Crayons: Company's portfolio of crayons consists of: (i) wax crayons; (ii) oil pastels; and (iii) plastic crayons. It includes SKUs for toddlers, students, and artists which are available in different shapes, sizes, and shades. These are available in over 50 shades. They have extended the patented groove technology and design to the 'plastic crayons' portfolio and introduced the 'DOMS' groove plastic crayons. Some of the innovative and popular products in crayons are: (i) 'DOMS' bi-colour wax crayons; (ii) 'DOMS' grippie plastic crayons for toddlers; and (iii) 'DOMS' hexagonal oil pastels.

Mathematical instrument box: Doms has one of the widest ranges of mathematical instrument boxes. In India, they sell 7 SKUs of this product under the flagship brand, 'DOMS' and 1 SKU under their 'C3' brand. The key components in a mathematical instrument box are the tin box, rounder, divider, scale, set square and protractor. They also provide one pencil, eraser, and sharpener in most of the mathematical instrument boxes that they sell.

Sketch pens: The company manufactures and market a wide variety of sketch pens for multipurpose use ranging from drawing, sketching, marking, and writing. Their sketch pens are developed using the technical know-how from the R&D done in Italy. The key feature of this product is the unique push resistant tip.

Erasers: Company's portfolio of erasers, available in different sizes, shapes and designs, include: (i) white coloured eraser; (ii)fragranced eraser; and (iii) coloured erasers. DOMS is one of the foremost companies in India to indigenously manufacture and market erasers using thermoplastic rubber (TPR) material. Some of the attractive products in this category are the retractable pen shaped eraser and Erasner, which is a combination of an eraser as well as a sharpener in a single product.

Exercise books: An exercise book is a book primarily used in schools and colleges for students to take notes. These products are classified into 4 sub-types based on their sizes: (i) 21 x 29.7 cm (A4); (ii) 17 x 27 cm; (iii) 18 x 24 cm; and (iv) 15.5 x 19 cm. In each of these sub-types, different SKUs are available which include different page numbers and different ruling patterns.

The sales from the key products across the product categories:

	6 months period ended Sep' 30, 2023			Fi	iscal 2023		Fis	scal 2022		Fiscal 2021			
	Units sold (in Cr)	Amt (₹ Cr)	% of Gross Product Sale	Units sold (in Cr)	Amt (₹ Cr)	% of Gross Produ ct Sale	Units sold (in Cr)	Amt (₹ Cr)	% of Gross Produ ct Sale	Units sold (in Cr)	Amt (₹ Cr)	% of Gross Product Sale	
Wooden pencils	82.20	252.41	32.49%	135.22	389.99	31.66%	87.46	231.12	33.35%	58.87	152.80	36.99%	
Crayons	54.48	55.28	7.12%	73.11	72.44	5.88%	42.10	35.16	5.07%	26.17	22.65	5.48%	
Mathematical instruments box	1.14	52.10	6.71%	1.44	68.84	5.59%	0.77	34.50	4.98%	0.29	13.44	3.25%	
Sketch pens^	3.14	47.03	6.05%	5.26	68.81	5.59%	3.34	36.84	5.31%	1.82	18.61	4.51%	
Erasers*	24.10	36.34	4.68%	45.05	66.86	5.43%	29.34	42.46	6.13%	14.56	19.60	4.74%	
Exercise books	1.08	39.44	5.08%	2.56	66.38	5.39%	1.49	29.25	4.22%	1.08	21.70	5.25%	
Total	-	482.58	62.12%	-	733.32		-	409.32	56.06%	-	248.79	60.23%	

^{*} Sales of Erasners is not included in erasers as the HSN code used for this product is that of a sharpener due to higher GST rate

Manufacturing Facilities

The company undertakes their manufacturing operations from facilities located in Umbergaon, Gujarat and Bari Brahma, in Jammu and Kashmir. The Umbergaon Manufacturing Facilities are spread over approximately 34 acres of land covering approximately 1.07 msf, which are equipped with modern and automated production processes. Further, their Jammu Manufacturing Facility is spread across approximately 2 acres of land covering approximately 0.07 msf, focussed on producing wooden slats from locally sourced wood. They are vertically integrated with operations such as procurement of raw materials, moulding, assembling, integration of sub-assemblies into finished products being done at their manufacturing facilities in Umbergaon, which has enabled them to gain a competitive advantage by improving productivity and reducing costs. In order to support the growth strategy to expand the manufacturing capabilities, recently they have also acquired 44 acres of land which is adjacent to their existing Umbergaon Manufacturing Facilities.

Production capacity and capacity utilisation

		Fiscal 2023			Fiscal 2022			Fiscal 2021	
	Installed	Actual		Installed			Installed		
	Capacity	Producti	Capacity	Capacity	Actual	Capacity	Capacity	Actual	Capacity
	(units in	on units	Utilisati	(units in	Production	Utilisation	(units in	Production	Utilisation
	Cr)	in Cr)	on (%)	Cr)	units in Cr)	(%)	Cr)	units in Cr)	(%)
Wooden pencils	151.20	141.36	93.49%	108.00	104.53	96.78%	86.40	68.74	79.56%
Crayons	105.80	93.66	88.52%	81.00	52.53	64.86%	81.00	32.90	40.62%
Mathematical instruments box	1.50	1.46	97.23%	1.35	0.76	56.26%	0.90	0.30	33.36%
Water Colour Pens	7.00	6.57	93.83%	4.35	4.10	94.30%	3.75	3.12	83.19%
Eraser	65.00	57.12	87.87%	75.00	49.58	66.11%	44.00	26.75	60.78%
Exercise books	3.67	2.70	73.64%	2.43	1.52	62.50%	1.50	1.06	70.63%
Polymer Pencils	39.60	32.70	82.57%	36.00	28.78	79.94%	30.00	13.82	46.08%
Sharpeners	42.00	35.73	85.06%	27.00	22.17	82.12%	18.00	11.27	62.59%
Ball point pens	25.00	23.26	93.03%	21.00	12.74	60.66%	12.50	6.95	55.58%
Drawing and Sketch book	0.76	0.53	70.64%	0.66	0.56	85.42%	0.51	0.32	63.44%
All types of markers	4.35	3.89	89.33%	2.70	2.53	93.78%	2.10	1.71	81.19%
Water colour cakes	12.24	9.67	78.98%	10.08	9.79	97.10%	10.00	6.51	65.14%
Tempera colours	1.88	1.84	98.07%	1.50	1.03	68.52%	1.88	1.84	98.07%
Scales	13.50	11.92	88.32%	10.00	5.82	58.22%	13.50	11.92	88.32%

Note: Except Water colour and Tempera colours which are in packs, all others are in number units.

Intellectual Property

DOMS has been granted 13 registered designs and 419 registered trademarks in India and 88 registered international trademarks. Their Corporate Promoter has issued the company brand authorisation letters to use the trademarks of certain entities under the FILA Group.

[^] units=No of Packs

Research & Development

As of September 30, 2023, DOMS operates a cutting-edge R&D facility in Umbergaon, comprising a dedicated team of 50 employees equipped with modern technology. Their cross-functional team engages with customers to drive product development. Their in-house design team emphasizes creating products aligned with the latest trends, customer lifestyles, and preferences.

R&D activities encompass product evaluation, process development, scale-up, and regulatory compliance. This focus on R&D grants them a competitive edge by enhancing productivity and cutting costs.

Competitive Strengths

Leadership in Stationery Industry: The company commands a leading position in India's 'stationery and art material' sector, notably with 'pencils' and 'mathematical instrument boxes' holding 29% and 30% market shares respectively by value in Fiscal 2023. With a vast range of over 3,800 SKUs and strategic brand introductions, leveraging 'DOMS' as its flagship brand and introducing complementary brands 'DOMS' and 'C3', they cater to diverse demographics across various price points, enjoying strong brand loyalty and unique market positioning.

Brand Recognition through Quality and Innovation: Their diverse product portfolio dominates various market categories in India, showcasing strong brand recall and enabling a competitive pricing strategy. Focused on R&D and innovation across products and processes while maintaining quality standards and embracing technology, their R&D efforts aim at product development, cost efficiency, and modern technology integration. Collaborating with FILA enhances their R&D and technology capabilities, keeping them abreast of global trends. With over 10 lakh YouTube followers and 40,000 Instagram followers, they hold a significant online presence, solidifying their brand standing.

Robust Manufacturing Infrastructure: Operating 13 manufacturing facilities spread across approximately 34 acres in Umbergaon, Gujarat, covering around 1.18 msf, they boast one of India's largest stationery manufacturing complexes. Their comprehensive end-to-end operations from concept to distribution, strategic facility locations for quicker market penetration, and competitive costs demonstrate efficiency. Additionally, their Jammu facility produces wooden slats from local wood sources, showcasing backward integration, a strategy also pursued for their 'mathematical instruments box'.





Extensive Distribution Network: The company boasts a widespread multi-channel distribution system, catering to various sectors: (i) general trade, reaching wholesalers and retailers through super-stockists and distributors; (ii) modern trade, selling in supermarkets, hypermarkets, and online platforms; and (iii) corporate sales. Their pan-India network covers over 3,500 cities and towns as of September 30, 2023.

Strategic Alliance with FILA: A significant partnership exists with FILA, a global entity recognized for its diverse portfolio and presence in 150+ countries. Beginning in 2012, FILA initially acquired 18.50% of the company's capital, later increasing to 51% in 2015. This collaboration has broadened the company's global footprint, leveraging FILA's market reach and enhancing R&D capabilities through knowledge exchange.

Experienced Leadership and Management: The company benefits from highly experienced Individual Promoters and Directors deeply involved in the 'stationery and art materials' industry, particularly in growing the 'DOMS' brand. Their proactive involvement ensures stringent cost control and margin enhancements. Supported by 8,890 full-time employees as of September 30, 2023, their board comprises independent directors with extensive expertise in manufacturing, sales, and marketing.

Key Business Strategies

Manufacturing Capacity Expansion: The company focuses on expanding manufacturing capacities, evident from their Umbergaon plants with an installed capacity of 4,734.93 million units (as of March 31, 2023). To accommodate rising consumer demand, they allocated ₹125.94 crore in Fiscal 2023 to enhance manufacturing capabilities across product categories.

Product Portfolio Diversification: Recognizing untapped market potential in the 'stationery and art material' industry, the company aims to expand its product range. They introduced innovative items like 'DOMS' groove pencils featuring exclusive patented technology and the 'two-dooz' pencil sharpener. Seeking complementary product opportunities, they strive to increase market share and expand their consumer base.

Distribution Network Strengthening: DOMS maintains a robust multi-channel distribution network across India and globally. Their strategy involves reinforcing and extending distribution channels, intending to broaden geographical coverage and network reach. This expansion plan encompasses increasing partnerships within diverse retail formats, transcending traditional stationery stores. Additionally, their global footprint spans over 45 countries, facilitated by partnerships with FILA and international distributors.

Inorganic Growth Initiatives: DOMS aims for strategic investments and acquisitions to bolster their market share, enhance geographical presence, and improve profitability. The recent acquisition of Micro Wood Pvt Ltd furthers their backward integration for specific product manufacturing. Additionally, a minority stake acquisition in ClapJoy Innovations Pvt Ltd diversifies their business into the 'toys' sector, leveraging their existing distribution network.

Brand Strengthening: Recognizing the market's shift towards branded products, DOMS emphasizes fortifying their brands, particularly the DOMS brand. Their leadership position in 'stationery and arts' products enables growth opportunities. Dedicated resources are allocated to build and enhance brand recall, establishing DOMS as a prominent 'stationery and arts' brand in India.

Technology and Data Enhancement: Continual investment in technology and data capabilities is a priority to drive operational efficiencies and strengthen customer connections. Sales Force Automation (SFA) software tracks and manages the extensive sales force's performance, providing insights into sales activities. Distributor Management Systems (DMS) facilitate seamless communication between super-stockists and the company, streamlining order management, inventory replenishment, and delivery tracking.

Industry Overview

Select Financial Metrics for Branded Players in FY 23

Player	Revenue (₹ in Cr)	Domestic Sales (₹ in Cr)	Export Sales (₹ in Cr)	Gross Margin (%)	
DOMS	1,232	974	258	37%	
Kokuyo Camlin	775	742	33	37%	
Hindustan Pencils	1,100	955	150	Na	
Navneet	947	380	567	50%	
Luxor	490	475	14	41%	
Linc	487	386	101	40%	
Flair	943	758	185	46%	
Rorito	174	174	0	40%	
BIC Cello	550	429	121	Na	
ITC Stationery	2,456	2,010	446	Na	

Presence of Key Players in different categories

Player	Note Books	Note books Papers	Pens	Pencils	Marker and High- lighters	Techni- cal Inst- ruments	Office Supplies	Basic Arts	Fine Arts	Eraser	Sharpen er	Adhes- ives	Others
DOMS	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Kokuyo Camlin			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Hindustan Pencils			✓	✓		✓		✓		✓	✓		✓
Navneet	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Luxor	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓		✓
Linc			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓		✓
Flair			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Rorito	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓		
BIC Cello			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓		
ITC Stationery	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓	✓		✓
Kangaro							✓						

Profit after Tax in FY (₹ Crore) and PAT Margin (%)

			For the 6 n	nonth	For the Fiscal Year ended									
	CAGR for F	iscal	period end Sep'30, 20		March 31	., 2023	March 31	, 2022	March 31	, 2021	March 31	, 2020		
Company	2023	2022	PAT	Margin	PAT	Margin	PAT	Margin	PAT	Margin	PAT	Margin		
DOMS Industries	Na	(31.0)%	73.9	9.7%	102.9	8.5%	17.1	2.5%	(6.0)%	(1.5)%	36.0	5.5%		
Core Peer														
BIC Cello India	Na	(41.2)%	Na	Na	Na	Na	(162.0)	(39.2)%	(215.5)	(80.1)%	(81.2)	(12.0)%		
Flair Writing Indust.	1,003.6%	21.7%	Na	Na	118.1	118.1	56.2	9.6%	1.0	0.3%	37.9	5.2%		
Hindustan Pencils	Na	(9.3)%	Na	Na	Na	Na	6.8	0.9%	(5.4)	(1.0)%	8.3	0.8%		
Kokuyo Camlin Ltd	Na	Na	27.8	6.4%	24.4	3.1%	(4.7)	(0.9)%	(14.6)	(3.6)%	4.4	0.7%		
Linc Ltd	Na	(35.0)%	15.1	6.1%	37.4	7.6%	8.1	2.3%	0.0	0.0%	19.2	4.8%		
Luxor Writing Instruments	Na	Na	Na	Na	6.6	1.3%	(5.0)	(1.5)%	(9.4)	(4.0)%	1.4	0.4%		
Navneet Education	90.9%	(38.6)%	180.5	17.0%	203.8	11.9%	74.4	6.6%	55.9	6.6%	197.3	12.9\$		
Rorito International	39.6%	(89.4)%	Na	Na	(14.3)	(8.1)%	(27.3)	(19.2)%	(34.3)%	(34.3)%	(7.6)%	(3.2)%		
Allied peers														
3M India	66.7%	(8.1)%	275.3	13.0%	451.0	11.2%	272.0	8.1%	6.2%	6.2%	322.2	10.6%		
Gillette India	7.0%	12.1%	Na	Na	355.7	14.2%	289.3	12.8%	15.2%	15.2%	230.2	13.6%		
ITC Ltd	20.6%	(0.3)%	10,136.0	25.8%	19,476.7	24.8%	15,503.1	23.1%	24.0%	24.0%	15,592.8	28.9%		
Pidilite Industries	7.0%	3.7%	932.2	14.6%	1,288.9	10.9%	1,206.8	12.1%	15.3%	15.3%	1,122.1	15.1%		

Return on Equity (%) and Return on Capital Employed

		Return on E	quity (%)			Retu	rn on Capita	l Employed	22 2021 2020 20.0% 20.0% 20.0% 20.0% 20.0%				
	For the 6	For the Fisc	al Year ende	d March 31,		For the 6	For	the Fiscal Yea	ar ended				
Company	month period ended Sep'30, 2023	2023	2022	2021	2020	month period ended Sep'30, 2023	2023	2022	2021	2020			
DOMS Industries	17.5%	28.9%	6.6%	(2.5)%	14.7%	19.2%	36.8%	11.5%	5.9%	20.0%			
Core Peer						·							
BIC Cello India	Na	Na	(47.4)%	(42.4)%	(11.3)%	Na	Na	(44.6)%	(30.3)%	(18.4)%			
Flair Writing	Na	27.1%	17.7%	0.4%	14.6%	Na	33.5%	20.4%	3.5%	19.0%			
Hindustan Pencils	Na	Na	4.2%	(3.3)%	4.9%	Na	Na	10.8%	6.3%	13.0%			
Kokuyo Camlin Ltd	9.7%	9.3%	(2.0)%	(6.0)%	1.7%	12.8%	14.6%	(0.2)%	(3.5)%	6.6%			
Linc Ltd	8.2%	21.1%	5.7%	0.0%	14.1%	10.3%	27.7%	7.8%	(0.8)%	17.5%			
Luxor Writing Instruments	Na	5.6%	(4.6)%	(8.1)%	1.1%	Na	14.2%	1.8%	(2.0)%	8.2%			
Navneet Education	7.9%	12.9%	7.8%	6.0%	22.9%	13.7%	21.4%	13.4%	5.6%	32.2%			
Rorito International	Na	72.6%	124.6%	(726.6)%	(17.1)%	Na	(25.8)%	(68.8)%	(54.4)%	(8.3)%			
Allied peers						·							
3M India	15.0%	26.9%	12.5%	8.5%	18.4%	19.5%	35.4%	16.5%	11.3%	24.2%			
Gillette India	Na	36.0%	33.6%	39.3%	25.3%	Na	43.7%	44.7%	50.1%	32.8%			
ITC Ltd	14.6%	28.0%	24.7%	22.0%	23.8%	18.8%	35.8%	31.9%	28.5%	29.8%			
Pidilite Industries	12.0%	17.3%	18.3%	19.3%	24.0%	15.3%	21.7%	22.9%	24.4%	31.6%			

Comparison with Listed Industry Peers (AS ON 31ST MARCH 2023)

				Total Revenue	EPS			
Name of the Company	Consolidated/ Standalone	Face Value	Closing Price as on 1 st Dec, 2023	from Operation for Fiscal 2023 (₹ in Cr)	Basic & Diluted	NAV	P/E	RoNW (%)
DOMS Industries Ltd	Consolidated	10	[?]	1,211.89	18.29	59.99	43.19	28.39%
Kokuyo Camlin Ltd	Consolidated	1	156.50	774.94	2.44	26.18	64.14	9.31%
Linc Ltd	Consolidated	10	707.95	486.76	25.15	119.16	28.15	21.10%
Navneet Education Ltd	Consolidated	2	143.40	1,696.83	9.04	50.85	15.86	17.78%
Flair Writing Industries Ltd	Consolidated	5	452.70	942.66	12.66	46.57	35.76	27.18%

Comparison with Listed Indu	stry Peers							(in ₹ Cı	r, unless otherw	vise specified)	
		6 months e	nded Sep'2	023				Fiscal 2023	, unicos o men	ise specifica)	
Postin kon	DOMS Industries	Kokuyo Camlin	Linc	Navneet Education	Flair Writing	DOMS Industries	Kokuyo	Linc	Navneet	Flair Writing	
Particulars Revenue from Operations	761.80	430.63	243.10	1 1 11 1	Industries Na	1,211.89	Camlin 774.94	486.76	Education 1,696.83	Industries 942.66	
Growth in Revenue (%)	761.80 Na	11.56%	8.08%		Na Na	77.28%	52.41%	37.13%	,	63.26%	
Gross product sales	776.84	11.30% Na	8.08% NA		Na	1,231.73	827.65	487.75	32.28% Na	944.17	
Gross product sales	302.88	165.61	95.30		Na	448.52	386.71	192.16	850.89	433.89	
Gross margin (%)	39.76%	38.46%	39.20%		Na	37.01%	37.00%	39.48%	50.15%	46.03%	
EBITDA	127.45	41.52	25.74		Na	186.66	54.37	61.36	298.01	183.51	
EBITDA Margin (%)	16.73%	9.64%	10.59%		Na	15.40%	7.02%	12.61%	17.56%	19.47%	
Profit after tax (PAT)	73.91	27.85	15.09		Na	102.87	24.45	37.40	203.76	118.10	
PAT Margin (%)	9.70%	6.47%	6.21%		Na	8.49%	3.15%	7.68%	12.01%	12.53%	
RoE (%)	19.01%	10.14%	8.34%		Na	33.54%	9.74%	23.37%	19.40%	31.40%	
RoCE (%)	18.04%	12.42%	11.47%		Na	33.31%	12.36%	28.14%	17.39%	29.94%	
Gross Fixed Assets Turnover (times)	1.67	Na	Na		Na		3.80	3.00		2.60	
Net debt (Borrowings)	125.51	9.09	(16.08)	(43.97)	Na	58.37	47.32	(12.41)	248.70	114.80	
			Fiscal 2022					Fiscal 2021			
					Flair	Flair					
	DOMS	Kokuyo		Navneet	Writing	DOMS	Kokuyo		Navneet	Writing	
Particulars	Industries	Camlin	Linc	Education	Industries	Industries	Camlin	Linc	Education	Industries	
Revenue from Operations	683.60	508.47	354.96	1114.30	577.40		403.12	256.66	834.57	297.99	
Growth in Revenue (%)	69.71%	26.13%	38.30%	33.52%	93.77%	Na	(36.42)%	(35.35)%	(44.81)%	Na	
Gross product sales	693.10	548.42	355.67	Na	576.06	413.05	446.92	255.56	Na	293.65	
Gross profit	251.53	196.01	117.47	582.61	269.20	157.47	166.81	83.94	437.49	131.56	
Gross margin (%)	36.79%	38.55%	33.10%	5.23%	46.62%	39.09%	41.38%	32.70%	52.42%	44.15%	
EBITDA	69.71	16.51	21.53	162.61	97.57	30.03	8.84	10.17	87.02	23.00	
EBITDA Margin (%)	10.20%	3.25%	6.06%	14.59%	16.90%	7.45%	2.19%	3.96%	10.43%	7.72%	
Profit after tax (PAT)	17.14	(4.73)	8.13	74.35	55.15	(6.03)	(14.62)	0.04	55.91	0.99	
PAT Margin (%)	2.51%	(0.93)%	2.29%	6.67%	9.55%	(1.50)%	(3.63)%	0.02%	6.70%	0.33%	
RoE (%)	6.86%	(1.96)%	5.86%	7.91%	19.06%	Na	(5.93)%	0.03%	6.23%	NA	
RoCE (%)	10.0%	(0.15)%	7.76%	12.19%	18.43%	0.36%	(2.87)%	(0.73)%	5.48%	3.34%	
Gross Fixed Assets Turnover (times)	2.82	2.47	2.47	2.26	2.00	1.88	1.83	2.17	1.84	1.16	
Net debt (Borrowings)	69.14	63.22	2.79	84.19	126.00	68.26	71.18	7.85	19.15	113.36	

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