27th May 2022

CMP - ₹354/-

View - Accumulate on Dips

## Q4FY22: Meagre revenue growth with contraction in margins

- Revenue from operations grew 0.3% YoY to ₹456Cr. Volumes declined 10% YoY basis.
- Gross margin for Q4FY22 declined by 136 bps YoY to 34.4% due to higher input cost & also sales of athleisure wear & premium segment was impacted which has higher gross margins.
- ➤ EBITDA declined by ~18.1% YoY to ₹74.2Cr. EBITDA margin for Q4FY22 declined by 366 bps YoY to 16.3% due to higher advertisement & employee expenditure.
- PAT declined 25% YoY to ₹49.3Cr. PAT margin stood at 10.8% vs 14.5%
- For FY22, sales grew 12.3% to ₹1474 YoY with volume growth of only ~0.5% YoY; EBITDA grew 4.4% YoY; PAT grew 9.5% YoY.

	Im	portan	t Sta	tistics
--	----	--------	-------	---------

M.CAP (₹ Cr)	₹2,814
52 Week H/L (₹)	₹585/₹341
NSE Code	RUPA
BSE Code	533552

Shareholding pattern (%)	Mar'22
Promoter	73.3
Institutions	05.3
Public &Others	21.4

## Key takeaways from Q4FY22 result

## Sales & Margin Guidance:

o Management has guided for a revenue growth of ~15%-18% & expects to maintain EBIDTA margin at ~18% for FY23.

## Input cost/Price Hike:

- o Finance cost stood at ₹6.2Cr vs ₹2.8Cr in Q4FY22. Depreciation cost increased 23% YoY to ₹3.4Cr
- o EBITDA margin stood at 17.9%, down 160 bps YoY. EBITDA was up 4% YoY. Reported PAT was up 2% YoY to ₹317Cr. Advertising expense stood at ~₹620mn ~4.2% of its sales which it plans to increase to ~5.5% of sales for FY23.
- The company has taken a price hike of ~4% in Q1FY23 in order to pass on higher raw material prices
- Cotton prices have increased by more than 120% in a year to ₹1.10 lakh per candy.

## Segment Mix/Focused Market Growth Potential:

- o In FY22 revenue contribution by segment- Mid-premium: ~58%, Economy: ~32%, Premium: ~10%
- o High potential focused market (TN,AP, HP, Kerala, WB etc) grew 26% YoY, expecting 45% growth from these markets in FY23. Management expect ~25%-30% YoY growth in the women wear segment going forward for the company

### > Export Market:

o Export sales ~₹22Cr in FY22 and plans to increase the exports sales by ~5x by FY24.

## > EBOs/Modern Trade:

- o Currently, company has 20 EBOs. Furthermore, it is expecting to roll out ~150 more EBOs in the next 2 years. Company is targeting to improve its net working capital to ~150 days by FY23 end.
- Modern trade channel which contributes 3% of the sales grew by ~30% YoY in FY22 and expects sales to grow by  $\sim$ 4x in the next 3 years.



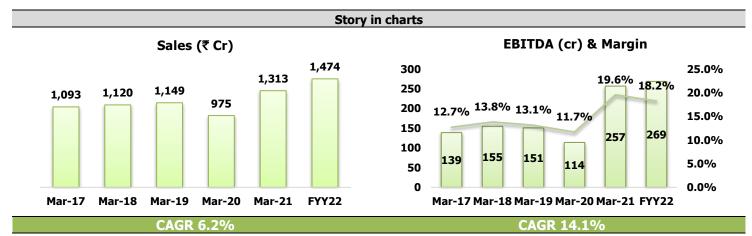


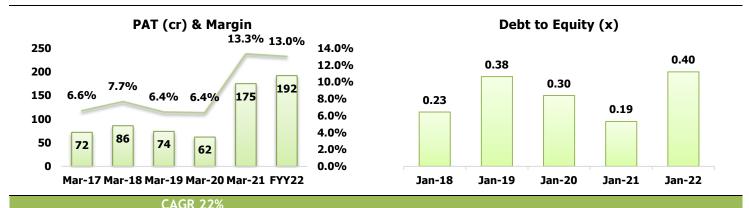
27<sup>th</sup> May 2022 CMP – ₹354/-

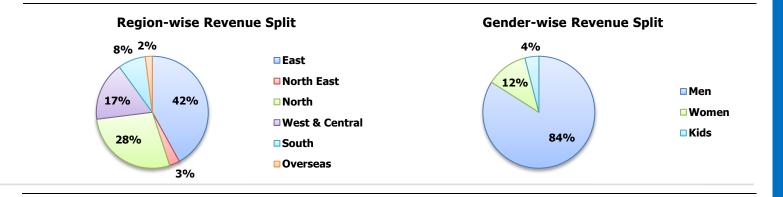
View - Accumulate on Dips

## Change in Management:

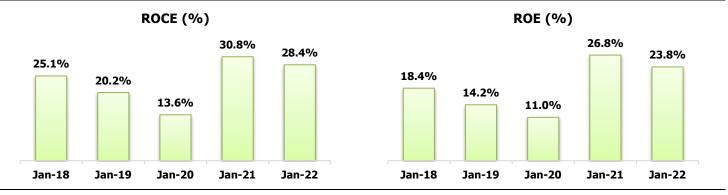
- Mr. Dinesh Kumar Lodha, CEO has resigned from the services of the company due to personal reasons w.e.f 31st May 2022 and he is a part of the selection process for the new CEO to ensure a smooth transition.
- Mr. Ramesh Agarwal, part of the promoter family has resigned from the post of CFO to free up his bandwidth from regular day to day activities and will act as a whole time director and, leverage his rich experience in overall growth and transformation of the company
- Mr. Sumit Khowala has been with the company for over a decade is promoted to CFO of the company w.e.f. 1st June 2022.







W2W Lighthouse - A Quick Perspective



Source: Company, Way2Wealth

#### **Risks**

- Inflation in raw material prices
- Slow down in the economy

## View

Rupa & Company Limited, one of the leading and largest knitwear brand in India, engaged in the manufacturing, marketing, selling and distribution of men's and women's innerwear, thermal wear and fashion wear. The company has delivered robust Sales/EBITDA/PAT CAGR of 6%/14%/22% over FY17-22.

Over the last few years Rupa has shifted its focus more towards premium and semi-premium brands which resulted in an improvement in margins and growth profile. Company's focus on operating efficiencies, enhancing share of premium products and deleveraging the balance sheet has kept the growth momentum steady.

At the current price of ₹354 it is trading at 14.8x P/E to its FY22 EPS of ₹23.9. We remain positive on Rupa & Company Ltd from long term perspective and advise investors to Accumulate on dips this business.



27th May 2022

Rupa & Company Ltd

CMP – ₹354/-

View - Accumulate on Dips

## **Quarterly Performance**

		Quarte	riy Periori	illalice				
								(₹ Cr)
Particulars	Q4FY22	Q4FY21	VAR[%]	Q3FY22	VAR[%]	FY22	FY21	VAR[%]
Net Sales	453.6	453.1	0.1%	431.6	5.1%	1,467.8	1,309.4	12.1%
Other Operating Income	1.9	0.9	101.1%	1.6	16.9%	6.3	3.3	94.5%
Other Income	3.6	3.2	10.2%	2.9	24.4%	10.8	7.3	47.9%
TOTAL INCOME	459.0	457.2	0.4%	436.0	5.3%	1,484.9	1,319.9	12.5%
Cost Of Materials Consumed	229.6	177.2	29.5%	164.4	39.6%	769.0	482.2	59.5%
Purchase of stock in trade	17.3	14.6	18.6%	11.8	47.2%	46.2	28.8	60.5%
Stock Adjustment	(38.9)	22.2	-275.4%	30.6	-226.9%	(182.6)	100.6	-281.5%
RMC as a %age of sales	45.7%	47.1%		47.8%		42.9%	46.6%	
Employee Benefit Expenses	21.6	17.8	21.5%	16.0	35.0%	68.1	52.7	29.2%
EPC as a %age of sales	4.7%	3.9%		3.7%		4.6%	4.0%	
Subcontracting / Jobbing	90.8	77.7	16.9%	83.9	8.3%	327.4	241.9	35.4%
Subcontracting/jobbing Expenses as a %age of sales	19.9%	17.1%		19.4%		22.2%	18.4%	
Other Expenses	60.8	53.9	12.9%	45.6	33.5%	177.4	149.3	18.8%
Other Expenses as a %age of sales	13.4%	11.9%		10.5%		12.0%	11.4%	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	381.3	363.4	4.9%	352.3	8.2%	1,205.6	1,055.5	14.2%
EBIDTA	74.2	90.6	-18.1%	80.9	-8.3%	268.5	257.2	4.4%
EBIDTA Margins %	16.3%	20.0%		18.7%		18.2%	19.6%	
Finance Costs	6.2	2.8	121.5%	5.0	24.3%	18.7	13.4	39.6%
PBDT	71.6	91.1	-21.4%	78.8	-9.1%	260.6	251.1	3.8%
Depreciation	3.4	2.7	23.1%	3.6	-5.6%	13.9	13.8	0.7%
PBT	68.3	88.3	-22.7%	75.3	-9.3%	246.7	237.3	4.0%
Tax	18.9	22.4	-15.6%	17.0	11.7%	54.9	62.2	-11.7%
Tax Rate	27.7%	25.4%		22.5%		22.2%	26.2%	
Reported Profit After Tax	49.3	65.9	-25.2%	58.3	-15.4%	191.9	175.1	9.5%
PATM %	10.8%	14.5%		13.5%		13.0%	13.3%	
Extra-ordinary Items			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			#DIV/0
Adjusted Profit After Extra- ordinary item	49.3	65.9	-25.2%	58.3	-15.4%	191.9	175.1	9.5%
Other Comprehensive Income (Net of tax)- net credit / (charge)	0.1	0.1		0.0		0.2	0.2	
Total Comprehensive Income	49.4	66.0	-25.1%	58.3	-15.3%	192.1	175.3	9.6%
(13+14)	49.4	00.0	-25.1%	30.3	-15.5%	192.1	1/5.5	9.0%
Pacie								
Basic:	6.2	0.2	25 20/	7.2	15 40/	24.1	22.0	0.50/
EPS		8.3	-25.2%	7.3	-15.4%		22.0	9.5%
Equity	8.0	8.0		8.0		8.0	8.0	
Face Value	1.0	1.0		1.0		1.0	1.0	

Source: Company Filing, Way2wealth Research

# View - Accumulate on Dips

#### <u>Disclaimer</u>

Analyst Certification: I, Ashwini Sonawane the research analyst and author of this report, hereby certify that the views expressed in this research report accurately reflect our personal views about the subject securities, issuers, products, sectors or industries. It is also certified that no part of the compensation of the analyst(s) was, is, or will be directly or indirectly related to the inclusion of specific recommendations or views in this research. The analyst(s), principally responsible for the preparation of this research report, receives compensation based on overall revenues of the company (Way2Wealth Brokers Private Limited, hereinafter referred to as Way2Wealth) and has taken reasonable care to achieve and maintain independence and objectivity in making any recommendations.

It is confirmed that Ashwini Sonawane, the author of this report has not received any compensation from the companies mentioned in the report in the preceding 12 months. Our research professionals are paid in part based on the profitability of Way2Wealth, which include earnings from other business. Neither Way2Wealth nor its directors, employees, agents or representatives shall be liable for any damages whether direct or indirect, incidental, special or consequential including lost revenue or lost profits that may arise from or in connection with the use of the information contained in this report.

This report is for the personal information of the authorized recipient and does not construe to be any investment, legal or taxation advice to you. Way2Wealth is not soliciting any action based upon it. Nothing in this research shall be construed as a solicitation to buy or sell any security or product, or to engage in or refrain from engaging in any such transaction. The contents of this material are general and are neither comprehensive nor appropriate for every individual and are solely for the informational purposes of the readers. This material does not take into account the specific objectives, financial situation or needs of an individual/s or a Corporate/s or any entity/s.

This research has been prepared for the general use of the clients of the Way2Wealth and must not be copied, either in whole or in part, or distributed or redistributed to any other person in any form. If you are not the intended recipient, you must not use or disclose the information in this research in any way. Though disseminated to all the customers simultaneously, not all customers may receive this report at the same time. Way2Wealth will not treat recipients as customers by virtue of their receiving this report. The distribution of this document in other jurisdictions may be restricted by the law applicable in the relevant jurisdictions and persons into whose possession this document comes should inform themselves about, and observe any such restrictions.

The report is based upon information obtained from sources believed to be reliable, but we do not make any representation or warranty that it is accurate, complete or up to date and it should not be relied upon as such. Way2Wealth or any of its affiliates or employees makes no warranties, either express or implied of any kind regarding any matter pertaining to this report, including, but not limited to warranties of suitability, fitness for a particular purpose, accuracy, timeliness, completeness or non-infringement. We accept no obligation to correct or update the information or opinions in it. Way2Wealth or any of its affiliates or employees shall not be in any way responsible for any loss or damage that may arise to any person from any inadvertent error in the information contained in this report. The recipients of this report should rely on their own investigations. In no event shall Way2Wealth be liable for any damages of any kind, including, but not limited to, indirect, special, incidental, consequential, punitive, lost profits, or lost opportunity, whether or not Way2Wealth has advised of the possibility of such damages.

This material contains statements that are forward-looking; such statements are based upon the current beliefs and expectations and are subject to significant risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ from those set forth in the forward-looking statements. These uncertainties include but are not limited to: the risk of adverse movements or volatility in the securities markets or in interest or foreign exchange rates or indices; adverse impact from an economic slowdown; downturn in domestic or foreign securities and trading conditions or markets; increased competition; unfavorable political and diplomatic developments; change in the governmental or regulatory policies; failure of a corporate event and such others. This is not an offer to buy or sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy or sell any security or instrument or to participate in any particular trading strategy. No part of this material may be copied or duplicated in any form by any means or redistributed without the written consent of Way2Wealth. In no event shall any reader publish, retransmit, redistribute or otherwise reproduce any information provided by Way2Wealth in any format to anyone. Way2Wealth and its affiliates, officers, directors and employees including persons involved in the preparation or issuance of this report may from time to time have interest in securities / positions, financial or otherwise in the securities related to the information contained in this report.

To enhance transparency, Way2Wealth has incorporated a Disclosure of Interest Statement in this document. This should, however, not be treated as endorsement of the views expressed in the report.

### Disclosure of Interest Statement Rupa & Company Ltd. as on May 27, 2022

Name of the Security	Rupa & Company Ltd.		
Name of the analyst	Ashwini Sonawane		
Analysts' ownership of any stock related to the information contained Financial Interest	NIL		
Analyst :	No		
Analyst's Relative : Yes / No	No		
Analyst's Associate/Firm : Yes/No	No		
Conflict of Interest	No		
Receipt of Compensation	No		
Way2Wealth ownership of any stock related to the information contained	NIL		
Broking relationship with company covered	NIL		
Investment Banking relationship with company covered	NIL		

This information is subject to change without any prior notice. Way2Wealth reserves at its absolute discretion the right to make or refrain from making modifications and alterations to this statement from time to time. Nevertheless, Way2Wealth is committed to providing independent and transparent recommendations to its clients, and would be happy to provide information in response to specific client queries.