

Simplex Infrastructures

Performance Highlights

Quarterly highlights - Standalone

Y/E March (₹ cr)	2QFY16	1QFY16	2QFY15	% chg (yoy)	% chg (qoq)
Net sales	1,392	1,505	1,248	11.5	(7.5)
EBITDA	143	147	128	12.3	(2.3)
Reported PAT	14	18	13	6.4	(24.3)

Source: Company, Angel Research

Simplex Infrastructures (Simplex) reported in-line set of numbers for 2QFY2016. The company reported a top-line of ₹1,392cr, up 11.5% yoy, but slightly below our expectation of ₹1,399cr. The EBITDA for the quarter stood at ₹143cr, ahead of our estimate of ₹141cr while the EBITDA margin expanded by 7bp yoy to 10.3%, for 2QFY2016. Stronger execution and almost in-line operating performance helped Simplex report a PAT of ₹14cr. The reported PAT margin of the company was almost flat on a yoy basis at 1.0% in 2QFY2016.

Simplex's order book (including L1) as of 2QFY2016 stands at ~₹18,321cr (order book to LTM sales ratio stands at 3.1x).

Outlook and valuation: At the current market price of ₹319, the standalone EPC business is trading at FY2016E and FY2017E P/E multiple of 20.3x and 10.1x, respectively. (1) 10.6% top-line and 57.8% bottom-line CAGR during FY2015-17E, (2) strong order book of ₹18,321cr (OB to LTM sales ratio of 3.1x), and (3) scope for improvement in WC as % of sales ratio from 64% in FY2015 to 53% in FY2017E, should lead to improvement in D/E ratio from 2.2x in FY2015 to 1.8x in FY2017E. We have assigned a 1-year forward P/E multiple of 11.0x to our FY2017E EPS estimates of ₹31/share, resulting in a value of ₹346 per share.

Given the limited upside in the stock from the current levels, we have a Neutral rating on the stock.

Key financials (Standalone)

Y/E March (₹ cr)	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16E	FY17E
Net Sales	5,821	5,513	5,582	5,955	6,829
% chg	0.0	(5.3)	1.2	6.7	14.7
Net Profit	60	61	62	78	156
% chg	0.0	1.3	3.1	24.6	99.9
EBITDA (%)	8.0	9.4	10.1	10.3	10.5
EPS (₹)	12	12	13	16	31
P/E (x)	26.4	26.0	25.3	20.3	10.1
P/BV (x)	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0
RoE (%)	4.8	4.5	4.4	5.3	9.9
RoCE (%)	10.5	10.2	10.7	11.1	13.2
EV/Sales (x)	0.7	8.0	0.9	0.8	0.7
EV/EBITDA (x)	8.9	8.5	8.5	7.4	6.2

Source: Company, Angel Research; CMP as of November 16, 2015

NEUTRAL	
CMP	₹319
Target Price	-
Investment Period	-

Stock Info	
Sector	Infrastructure
Market Cap (₹ cr)	1,578
Net debt (₹ cr)	3,172
Beta	1.1
52 Week High / Low	508/255
Avg. Daily Volume	6,558
Face Value (₹)	2
BSE Sensex	25,760
Nifty	7,807
Reuters Code	SINF.BO
Bloomberg Code	SINF@IN

Shareholding Pattern (%)	
Promoters	56.0
MF / Banks / Indian Fls	23.8
FII / NRIs / OCBs	6.1
Indian Public / Others	14.2

Abs. (%)	3m	1yr	3yr
Sensex	(7.6)	(8.6)	40.5
Simplex Infra	(2.1)	2.2	69.4

3-Year Daily Price Chart



Source: Company, Angel Research

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Exhibit 1: Quarterly Performance (Standalone)

Particulars (₹ cr)	2QFY16	1QFY16	% chg (qoq)	1QFY15	% chg (yoy)	1HFY16	1HFY15	% chg (yoy)
Net Sales	1,392	1,505	(7.5)	1,248	11.5	2,898	2,589	11.9
Total Expenditure	1,249	1,359	(8.1)	1,121	11.4	2,608	2,333	11.8
Cost of materials consumed	472	506	(6.7)	371	27.1	977	810	20.7
Sub-Contractor's Charges	400	456	(12.3)	361	10.8	856	743	15.1
Employee Benefits Expense	127	131	(3.1)	111	13.7	258	224	14.8
Other Expenses	251	266	(5.9)	277	(9.6)	517	555	(6.9)
EBITDA	143	147	(2.3)	128	12.3	290	256	13.4
EBIDTA %	10.3	9.7		10.2		10.0	9.9	
Depreciation	34	34	1.7	37	(6.3)	68	72	(5.2)
EBIT	109	113	(3.5)	91	19.8	222	184	20.6
Interest and Financial Charges	106	106	0.3	93	14.0	212	184	15.0
Other Income	18	20	(10.2)	22	(16.4)	28	22	26.0
PBT before Exceptional Items	21	28	(23.0)	20	7.0	38	22	72.7
Exceptional Items	0	0		0		0	0	
PBT after Exceptional Items	21	28	(23.0)	20	7.0	38	22	72.7
Tax	8	10	(20.5)	7	8.1	18	15	20.7
% of PBT	36.4	35.2		36.0		45.8	65.5	
PAT	14	18	(24.3)	13	6.4	21	8	171.5
PAT %	1.0	1.2		1.0		0.7	0.3	
EPS	2.74	3.62	(24.3)	2.58	6.2	6.36	5.14	23.7

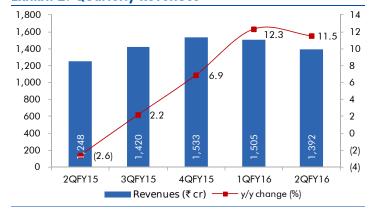
Source: Company, Angel Research

Standalone Business Review

11.5% yoy revenue growth

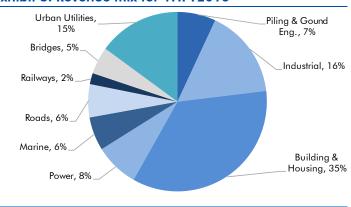
Simplex reported a top-line of ₹1,392cr, up 11.5% yoy, but slightly below our expectation of ₹1,399cr. However, on a sequential basis it was down 7.5%.

Exhibit 2: Quarterly Revenues



Source: Company, Angel Research

Exhibit 3: Revenue mix for 1HFY2016



Source: Company, Angel Research

Revenue growth on a yoy basis was on account of better execution seen across Buildings & Housing segment (35% of 2QFY2016 revenues) and Marine segment (6% of 2QFY2016 revenues).



EBITDA margin expands marginally

On the EBITDA margin front, Simplex reported an EBITDA of ₹141cr, ahead of our estimates of ₹143cr. Simplex reported 7bp yoy EBITDA margin expansion to 10.3% for 2QFY2016. Surge in EBITDA margins is owing to 9.6% yoy decline in other expenses (18.0% of 2QFY2016 sales) to ₹251cr.

Exhibit 4: EBITDA margin at 10.3% for the quarter

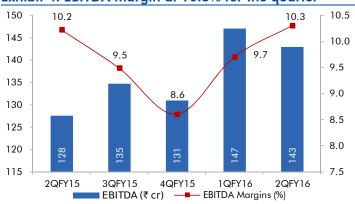
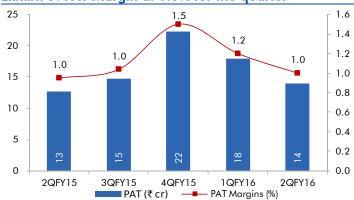


Exhibit 5: PAT Margin at 1.0% for the quarter



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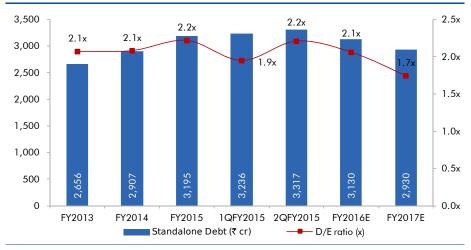
PAT grows yoy

Stronger execution and almost in-line operating performance helped Simplex report a PAT of ₹14cr. Reported PAT margins of the company were almost flat on a yoy basis at 1.0% in 2QFY2016. Flat yoy PAT margins reflect (1) 6.3% decline in depreciation expenses (to ₹34cr), and (2) 14.0% increase in interest expenses (to ₹106cr).

Comfortable D/E ratio

Simplex reported ~₹339cr of recoveries in 1HFY2016 (including ₹144cr from a Qatar based cement company and ₹80cr from Tata Power). Despite recoveries, stretch in working capital led to surge in D/E ratio to 2.2x (as of 2QFY2016-end).

Exhibit 6: Standalone D/E at 2.2x



Source: Company, Angel Research



Order Inflow gains momentum

In 2QFY2016, Simplex reported order inflow to the tune of ~₹1,197cr, taking the total order inflow for 1HFY2016 to ₹1,938cr. Currently, Simplex enjoys L1 position at projects worth ₹3,433cr.

Simplex's Management has given order inflow guidance of ~₹8,000cr for FY2016E. Based on the bid pipeline and order wins reported in 1HFY2016, we expect Simplex to report ₹7,700/7,900cr of order wins in FY2016/2017E, respectively.

Exhibit 7: Order Inflows to see uptrend

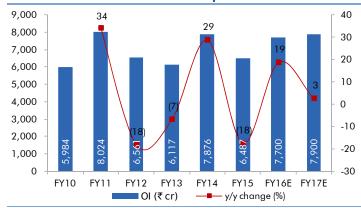
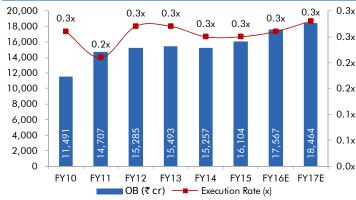


Exhibit 8: Order Book gives better revenue visibility



Source: Company, Angel Research Source: Company, Angel Research

At 2QFY2016-end, Simplex reported an order book of ₹14,888cr, which reflects 8% yoy de-growth. However, if we include projects where Simplex stands L1, then the order book at 2QFY2016-end stands at ₹18,321cr, which reflects OB to LTM sales ratio of 3.1x. As of 2QFY2016, Simplex's order book is majorly dominated by Buildings & Housing vertical (40%).



Outlook & Valuation

Considering the external macro environment, the Management in its 2QFY2016 post results concall, guided that it expects 5-7% revenue growth for FY2016. However, recent order wins and expectations of an improvement in the economy lead the Management to tone-up the revenue growth estimate for FY2017E at 15-20%. Accordingly, we have revised our FY2016/17E estimates.

Exhibit 9: Earnings Revision

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	EBITDA Margins (%)	10.4	10.3		10.7	10.5		
PAT Margins (%) 1.6 1.3 2.5 2.4	PAT	101	78	(22.8)	177	156	(11.9)	
	PAT Margins (%)	1.6	1.3		2.5	2.4		

Source: Angel Research

Recommend Neutral with a target price of ₹346

At the current market price of ₹319, the standalone EPC business is trading at FY2016E and FY2017E P/E multiple of 20.3x and 10.1x, respectively. (1) 10.6% top-line and 57.8% bottom-line CAGR during FY2015-17E, (2) strong order book of ₹18,321cr (OB to LTM sales ratio of 3.1x), and (3) scope for improvement in WC as % of sales ratio from 64% in FY2015 to 53% in FY2017E, should lead to improvement in D/E ratio from 2.2x in FY2015 to 1.8x in FY2017E. We have assigned a 1-year forward P/E multiple of 11.0x to our FY2017E EPS estimates of ₹31/share, resulting in a value of ₹346 per share. Given the limited upside in the stock from the current levels, we have a Neutral rating on the stock.



Investment arguments

- Recent order wins/ L1 give better revenue visibility: Revival in award activity across verticals has helped Simplex build an order pipeline across subsegments. To-date in FY2016, Simplex has reported L1+ order wins (combined) to the tune of ₹3,433cr. At 2QFY2016-end (including L1), the order book of Simplex stands at ~₹18,321cr (order book to LTM sales ratio stands at 3.1x). We expect the flattish order book scenario to take a few more quarters to catch-up growth momentum from here-on. Accordingly, we expect Simplex to report a 10.6% top-line CAGR during FY2016-18E to ₹6,829cr.
- 57.8% PAT CAGR during FY2015-17E: Uptick in execution, benefits of operating levers coming into play, coupled with decline in interest expenses, resulting from ease in working capital cycle (WC excluding cash as % of sales would decline from 64% in FY2015 to 53% in FY2017E), should translate to strong earnings growth for the company. We expect Simplex to report a strong 57.8% PAT CAGR during FY2015-17E.

Risks & Concerns

- Delay in ease of WC cycle than expected could pose as a risk to our estimates.
- Delay in capex cycle revival than anticipated and slowdown in infra award activity could affect our order inflow and financial estimates adversely.

Company background

Simplex Infrastructure is a diversified engineering and construction company with an execution track record of more than 83 years. The company has presence across a wide range of infrastructure domains with expertise in piling, roads, railways, bridges, ports, power, industrial construction, buildings and housing, and urban infrastructure.



Profit and Loss Statement (Standalone)

Y/E March (₹ cr)	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16E	FY17E
Net Sales	5,821	5,513	5,582	5,955	6,829
% Chg		(5.3)	1.2	6.7	14.7
Total Expenditure	5,353	4,997	5,020	5,342	6,112
Cost of Raw Materials Consumed	2,195	1,979	1,839	2,037	2,380
Change in Inventories of WIP	26	(18)	36	(60)	(123)
Employee benefits Expense	490	462	481	512	584
Other Expenses	2,641	2,574	2,664	2,853	3,271
EBITDA	468	516	562	613	717
% Chg		10.2	8.9	9.1	16.9
EBIDTA %	8.0	9.4	10.1	10.3	10.5
Depreciation	130	136	137	147	158
EBIT	338	380	425	467	560
% Chg		12.6	11.8	9.8	19.9
Interest and Financial Charges	289	334	384	397	371
Other Income	42	39	53	48	47
PBT	90	86	94	118	236
Tax	31	25	31	40	80
% of PBT	33.8	29.2	33.5	34.0	34.0
PAT before Exceptional item	60	61	62	78	156
Exceptional item	0	0	0	0	0
PAT	60	61	62	78	156
% Chg		1.3	3.1	24.6	99.9
PAT %	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.3	2.3
Diluted EPS	12	12	13	16	31
% Chg		1.3	3.1	24.6	99.9



Balance Sheet (Standalone)

Y/E March (₹ cr)	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16E	FY17E
Sources of Funds					
Equity Capital	10	10	10	10	10
Reserves Total	1,274	1,388	1,432	1,490	1,628
Networth	1,284	1,398	1,442	1,500	1,638
Total Debt	2,656	2,907	3,195	3,130	2,950
Other Long-term Liabilities	18	18	18	18	18
Deferred Tax Liability	205	207	192	192	192
Total Liabilities	4,163	4,531	4,847	4,839	4,798
Application of Funds					
Gross Block	1,863	1,954	2,023	2,133	2,261
Accumulated Depreciation	642	790	927	1,074	1,231
Net Block	1,221	1,164	1,096	1,060	1,029
Cap.l WIP & Intan. Assets under Develop.	18	53	25	15	11
Investments	127	134	148	152	156
Current Assets					
Inventories	785	862	952	943	1,005
Sundry Debtors	2,274	2,095	2,165	2,233	2,504
Cash and Bank Balance	72	81	23	159	73
Loans & Advances	742	723	822	844	911
Other Current Asset	1,660	2,029	2,562	2,564	2,656
Current Liabilities	2,911	2,756	2,993	3,177	3,595
Net Current Assets	2,622	3,034	3,532	3,566	3,554
Other Assets	175	146	46	47	49
Total Assets	4,163	4,531	4,847	4,839	4,798



Cash Flow Statement (Standalone)

Y/E March (₹ cr)	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16E	FY17E
Profit before tax	90	86	94	118	236
Dep. & Other Non-cash Charges	182	183	101	104	126
Change in Working Capital	(621)	(421)	(457)	102	(75)
Interest & Financial Charges	289	334	384	397	371
Direct taxes paid	(74)	17	(50)	(40)	(80)
Cash Flow from Operations	(133)	199	72	681	577
(Inc)/ Dec in Fixed Assets	(47)	(101)	(41)	(100)	(123)
(Inc)/ Dec in Investments	(31)	18	11	22	23
Cash Flow from Investing	(77)	(83)	(29)	(78)	(100)
Issue/ (Buy Back) of Equity	0	0	0	0	0
Inc./ (Dec.) in Loans	531	233	288	(65)	(180)
Dividend Paid (Incl. Tax)	(11)	(6)	(4)	(5)	(12)
Net Interest Expenses	(282)	(333)	(384)	(397)	(371)
Cash Flow from Financing	237	(105)	(100)	(468)	(563)
Inc./(Dec.) in Cash	28	11	(57)	135	(86)
Opening Cash balances	41	69	80	24	159
Closing Cash balances	69	80	24	159	73



Key Ratios (Standalone)

Y/E March	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16E	FY17E
Valuation Ratio (x)					
P/E (on FDEPS)	26.4	26.0	25.3	20.3	10.1
P/CEPS	8.3	8.0	7.9	7.0	5.0
Dividend yield (%)	6.4	12.9	10.2	6.8	3.2
EV/Sales	0.7	8.0	0.9	0.8	0.7
EV/EBITDA	8.9	8.5	8.5	7.4	6.2
EV / Total Assets	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5
Per Share Data (₹)					
EPS (fully diluted)	12.1	12.2	12.6	15.7	31.4
Cash EPS	38.4	39.6	40.3	45.4	63.3
DPS	1.0	0.5	0.6	0.9	2.0
Book Value	260	283	292	303	331
Returns (%)					
RoCE (Pre-tax)	10.5	10.2	10.7	11.1	13.2
Angel RoIC (Pre-tax)	10.8	10.5	10.9	11.4	13.5
RoE	4.8	4.5	4.4	5.3	9.9
Turnover ratios (x)					
Asset Turnover (Gross Block) (X)	3.2	2.9	2.8	2.9	3.1
Inventory / Sales (days)	52	55	59	58	52
Receivables (days)	124	145	139	135	127
Payables (days)	108	122	128	125	121
Leverage Ratios (x)					
D/E ratio (x)	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.1	1.8
Interest Coverage Ratio (x)	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.6



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