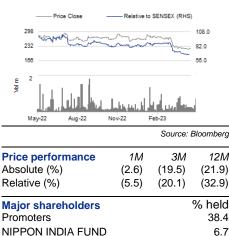
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Consensus ratings*: Buy 13	Hold 3	Sell 2
Current price:		Rs221
Target price:  V		Rs250
Previous target:		Rs312
Up/downside:		13.1%
InCred Research / Consensus:		-5.6%
Reuters:	0	NTE.NS
Bloomberg:	ORIE	NTEL IN
Market cap:	U	S\$649m
	Rs4	17,100m
Average daily turnover:	U	IS\$0.8m
	F	Rs58.0m
Current shares o/s:		212.8m
Free float: *Source: Bloomberg		61.6%

### Key changes in this note

- > FY24F/25F revenue cut by 9.3%/6.7%.
- > FY24F/25F EBITDA cut by 20.6%/18.5%.
- > FY24F/25F PAT cut by 16.2%/17.8%.



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# **Orient Electric**

### Margins to get priority over sales growth

- Muted summer demand, erratic weather and high fan channel inventory led to significantly lower fan sales in 4Q. Revenue/EBITDA miss: 18-20% vs. Incred.
- The new CEO prefers margins over revenue growth in the near term. Also, premium product launches, cost savings and more in-house manufacturing.
- Sudden CEO change, fan market share loss and the shift from distributors to direct dealers delay sales growth. We cut exit P/E to 35x. Retain ADD rating.

### Disproportionate impact on 4Q performance due to weak fan sales

Orient Electric (OEL) posted 4QFY23 revenue/EBITDA/PAT of Rs6.6bn/Rs464m/Rs246m, a decline of 13%/43%/50% yoy and 11%/16%/24% qoq, missing our/Bloomberg consensus estimates by 10-50%. Muted summer demand, erratic weather and high fan channel inventory led to much lower fan sales (60% of total sales) in 4Q, leading to disproportionately lower sales in the ECD segment. ECD revenue fell by 20.3% yoy and 15.1% qoq to Rs4.6bn. The lighting & switchgear (L&S) segment was better with a revenue of Rs2bn, +12% yoy/flat qoq, led by better B2B LED demand & premium product launches. Wire & switchgear together accounted for 2-3% of sales, which includes the L&S segment's revenue. Consolidated EBITDA margin at 7% fell by 366bp yoy/37bp qoq due to operating deleverage. Net working capital cycle improved to 22 days (down 10 days yoy). OCF/FCF were at Rs1.9bn/Rs759m, respectively, in FY23. The recommended dividend was Rs1.5/share (40%+ payout, Rs2/share yoy). Net cash was Rs1.5bn as of end-Mar 2023.

### Prefer margins over sales growth; premiumization drive to continue

Mr. Rajan Gupta, the new MD and CEO who took over on 4 Apr 2023, stated that OEL prefers margins over revenue growth in the short term. OEL has identified 'Hero' products – best-selling premium SKUs – to increase its sales further across existing/new markets in all product segments such as fans, appliances, lighting & switchgear/switches. OEL targets 15% of its total sales from new products by FY25F. The B2B LED portfolio continues to do well with robust order inflow from public/private sector projects. To support margins, OEL has taken a weighted average price hike of 2.5% for BEE-rated fans in Apr 2023 and targets cost savings of Rs500m under its flagship 'Sanchay' program for FY24F. Most of these measures, in our view, aim to recover margins faster followed by revenue growth recovery. No new state was added to the direct-to-market (DTM) dealer-shift program and DTM states' (25% of fan sales) revenue grew 15% yoy, gaining market share in 4QFY23.

### Change in our estimates, valuation and risks

Given persistent weak fan sales, new plant delay and management transition, we now build in the delay in revenue growth/margin recovery. We cut revenue/EBITDA/PAT sharply by 5-20% over FY24F-25F. We will monitor premium product launches and fan market share/margin recovery closely. We roll forward to FY25F and retain ADD rating on OEL with a lower TP of Rs250 (Rs312 earlier) based on a P/E of 35x (5-year mean ex-FY23) FY25F EPS. Downside risks: Product launch/capex delay & incremental employee attrition.

Financial Summary	Mar-21A	Mar-22A	Mar-23F	Mar-24F	Mar-25F
Revenue (Rsm)	20,326	24,484	25,292	28,385	32,642
Operating EBITDA (Rsm)	2,195	2,313	1,510	2,299	2,807
Net Profit (Rsm)	1,197	1,266	759	1,243	1,518
Core EPS (Rs)	5.6	6.0	3.6	5.9	7.1
Core EPS Growth	52.3%	5.8%	(40.1%)	63.7%	22.0%
FD Core P/E (x)	39.23	37.09	61.93	37.83	31.02
DPS (Rs)	2.0	2.0	1.5	2.0	3.0
Dividend Yield	0.90%	0.90%	0.68%	0.90%	1.36%
EV/EBITDA (x)	20.12	19.57	29.89	19.85	16.05
P/FCFE (x)	26.70	68.31	79.01	(123.73)	50.76
Net Gearing	(61.5%)	(31.6%)	(31.6%)	(21.1%)	(27.1%)
P/BV (x)	10.31	8.67	8.03	7.06	6.24
ROE	29.4%	25.4%	13.5%	19.9%	21.4%
% Change In Core EPS Estimates			(18.82%)	(16.28%)	(18.02%)
InCred Research/Consensus EPS (x)					

SOURCE: INCRED RESEARCH, COMPANY REPORTS

### 4QFY23 earnings-call highlights

- New CEO's appointment: After the resignation of Mr. Rakesh Khanna, OEL has appointed Mr. Rajan Gupta as its MD and CEO. Mr. Gupta has 25 years of diverse experience across various aspects of management, digital transformation, sales, marketing, P&L management, GTM strategy, business turnaround, manufacturing operations and investor management. Previously, he has worked with companies like Tata Telecom, Hindustan Coca Cola and Asian Paints before his last role at Hathway Cable and Datacom (Not Rated) where he was the MD and CEO, and Chairman of the board of GTPL Hathway (Not Rated).
- Sales mix: The electrical consumer durables or ECD segment's revenue accounted for 69% (fan sales declined yoy while appliances saw moderate growth) while the L&S segment accounted for 31% of consolidated sales in 4Q. In the lighting business, B2C sales accounted for 85% while B2B (EESL almost nil) contributed 15% to the total lighting segment's sales in 4QFY23.
- ECD segment update: Fan business mirrored the industry trend and turned weak due to high channel stocking owing to BEE star rating transition, muted consumer demand and erratic weather conditions. Water heater sales rose by 2x yoy, and air-cooler sales grew in the mid-teens during 4QFY23. Exports grew in the high teens as OEL entered northern and southern Africa during Jan-Mar 2023. The company took a 2.5% weighted-average price hike in fans from Apr 2023. BLDC fans accounted for 8-9% of total fan sales over the next two-to-three years.
- Lighting segment update: OEL witnessed consistent and strong growth across B2B and consumer lighting segments. The B2B channel, including professional luminaries and facade lighting, increased revenue by 20%+ in 4QFY23. With the high government push to infrastructure and strong launches in the realty segment, the B2B segment emerged as a strong revenue growth driver for OEL. House wires are gaining good acceptance among trade partners and influencers, accelerating the growth of the switchgear portfolio. Switchgear and wire segments together accounted for 2-3% of consolidated sales in FY23.
- **DTM shift update**: No new state was added to the DTM shift policy. DTM states saw 15%+ revenue growth yoy, gaining market share. DTM states accounted for 25% of total fan sales in 4QFY23.
- **Cost savings:** Project Sanchay the flagship cost-saving initiative saved Rs600m in FY23, and the company aspires to save Rs500m in FY24F.
- **Capex update:** The upcoming greenfield plant at Hyderabad is expected to be operational by Sep 2023F. The total estimated capex is Rs1.85bn, of which about Rs800m has been incurred so far. The plant will enhance existing capacity by 30% and make ceiling and TPW fans in its initial stage of commercial production. Maintenance capex of Rs300-400m will continue to be spent annually in addition to greenfield capex.
- **Cash flow:** Net working capital cycle improved to 22 days of TTM sales at the end of Mar 2023 vs. 30 days yoy. Net cash (including equivalents) stood at Rs1.9bn at the end of Mar 2023 vs. Rs1.7bn yoy.

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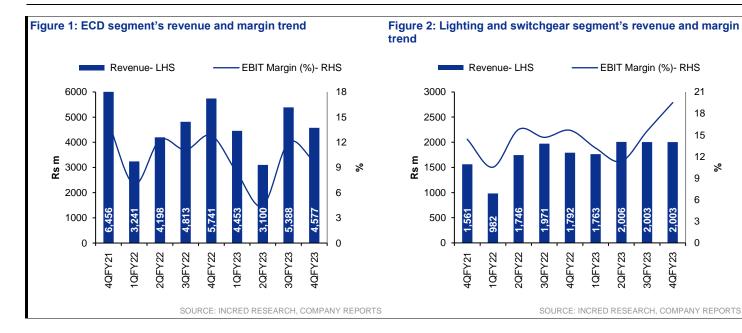


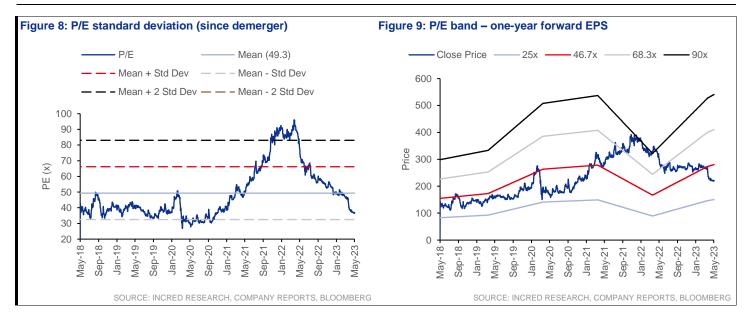
Figure 3: 4QFY2	Figure 3: 4QFY23 results snapshot									
YE Mar (Rs m)	4QFY23	4QFY22	yoy (%)	3QFY23	qoq (%)	FY23	FY22	yoy (%)		
Revenue	6,579	7,533	(12.7)	7,390	(11.0)	25,292	24,484	3.3		
EBITDA	464	806	(42.5)	549	(15.5)	1,510	2,313	(34.7)		
EBITDA margin (%)	7.0	10.7	-366 bp	7.4	-37 bp	6.0	9.4	-348 bp		
Adj. PAT	246	488	(49.5)	326	(24.3)	759	1,266	(40.1)		
Diluted EPS (Rs)	1.2	2.3		1.5		3.6	6.0			
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Figure 4: 4QFY23 segr	nental r	esults sr	napshot					
	4QFY23	4QFY22	yoy (%)	3QFY23	qoq (%)	FY23	FY22	yoy (%)
Revenue (Rs m)								
Electrical consumer durables	4,577	5,741	(20.3)	5,388	(15.1)	17,518	17,993	(15.1)
Lighting & switchgear	2,003	1,792	11.8	2,003	0.0	7,774	6,491	0.0
Total	6,579	7,533	(12.7)	7,390	(11.0)	25,292	24,484	20,260.5
EBIT (Rs m)								
Electrical consumer durables	445	736	(39.5)	645	(31.0)	1,599	2,012	(31.0)
Lighting & switchgear	391	281	39.2	311	25.5	1,162	949	25.5
Total	836	1,017	(17.8)	956	(12.6)	2,761	2,960	(12.6)
EBIT margin (%)								
Electrical consumer durables	9.7	12.8	-309 bp	12.0	-224 bp	9.1	11.2	(224.3)
Lighting & switchgear	19.5	15.7	385 bp	15.6	396 bp	14.9	14.6	396.4
Total	12.7	13	-79 bp	12.9	-23 bp	10.9	12.1	(0.1)
				SOURCE	S: INCRED R	ESEARCH,	COMPANY	REPORTS

Figure 5: Actuals vs. our estimates				Figure 6: Actuals vs. Bloomberg consensus			
Rsm	4QFY23	4QFY23F	Var (%)	Rs m	4QFY23	4QFY23C	Var (%)
Revenue	6,579	8,052	(18.3)	Revenue	6,579	7,986	(17.6)
EBITDA	464	595	(22.0)	EBITDA	464	732	(36.6)
EBITDA margin (%)	7.0	7.4	-34 bp	EBITDA margin (%)	7.0	9.2	-212 bp
Adj. PAT	246	275	(10.5)	Adj. PAT	246	463	(46.8)
	SOURCE: INCRED RESEAR	CH ESTIMATES, CON	/PANY REPORTS		SOURCE: INCRED RESEAR(	CH. COMPANY REPO	RTS. BLOOMBERG

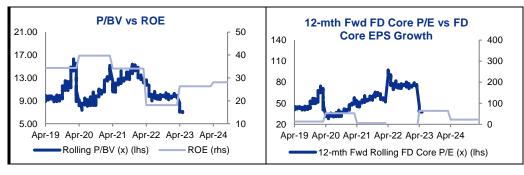
	New Estimates		Old Estimates		Change (%)	
	FY24F	FY25F	FY24F	FY25F	FY24F	FY25F
Revenue	28,385	32,642	31,304	34,973	-9.3	-6.7
EBITDA	2,299	2,807	2,896	3,445	-20.6	-18.5
Adjusted consol. PAT	1,243	1,518	1,483	1,847	-16.2	-17.8
EPS	5.9	7.1	7.0	9	-16.3	-18.0
EBITDA margin (%)	8.1	8.6	9.3	10	-115 bp	-125 bp

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### **BY THE NUMBERS**



### Profit & Loss

(Rs mn)	Mar-21A	Mar-22A	Mar-23F	Mar-24F	Mar-25F
Total Net Revenues	20,326	24,484	25,292	28,385	32,642
Gross Profit	6,117	6,818	7,050	8,657	10,119
Operating EBITDA	2,195	2,313	1,510	2,299	2,807
Depreciation And Amortisation	(432)	(471)	(535)	(661)	(814)
Operating EBIT	1,764	1,842	975	1,638	1,993
Financial Income/(Expense)	(179)	(191)	(127)	(42)	(48)
Pretax Income/(Loss) from Assoc.					
Non-Operating Income/(Expense)	35	46	172	50	53
Profit Before Tax (pre-El)	1,619	1,698	1,019	1,646	1,997
Exceptional Items					
Pre-tax Profit	1,619	1,698	1,019	1,646	1,997
Taxation	(422)	(431)	(261)	(403)	(478)
Exceptional Income - post-tax					
Profit After Tax	1,197	1,266	759	1,243	1,518
Minority Interests					
Preferred Dividends					
FX Gain/(Loss) - post tax					
Other Adjustments - post-tax					
Net Profit	1,197	1,266	759	1,243	1,518
Recurring Net Profit	1,197	1,266	759	1,243	1,518
Fully Diluted Recurring Net Profit	1,197	1,266	759	1,243	1,518

Cash Flow					
(Rs mn)	Mar-21A	Mar-22A	Mar-23F	Mar-24F	Mar-25F
EBITDA	2,195	2,313	1,510	2,299	2,807
Cash Flow from Invt. & Assoc.					
Change In Working Capital	2,211	(1,906)	567	(159)	(252)
(Incr)/Decr in Total Provisions					
Other Non-Cash (Income)/Expense					
Other Operating Cashflow	101	23	196	(205)	(241)
Net Interest (Paid)/Received	179	191	(27)	42	48
Tax Paid	(414)	(508)	(349)	(403)	(478)
Cashflow From Operations	4,273	114	1,897	1,575	1,884
Сарех	(359)	(427)	(1,139)	(1,550)	(558)
Disposals Of FAs/subsidiaries	1	4			
Acq. Of Subsidiaries/investments	(1,170)	1,172	(56)	(500)	(500)
Other Investing Cashflow	22	33	95	95	100
Cash Flow From Investing	(1,506)	782	(1,099)	(1,955)	(957)
Debt Raised/(repaid)	(1,008)	(208)	(203)		
Proceeds From Issue Of Shares			1		
Shares Repurchased					
Dividends Paid	(265)	(424)	(425)	(426)	(638)
Preferred Dividends					
Other Financing Cashflow	(164)	(164)	(34)	(137)	(149)
Cash Flow From Financing	(1,437)	(797)	(661)	(562)	(787)
Total Cash Generated	1,330	99	137	(942)	140
Free Cashflow To Equity	1,759	688	595	(380)	927
Free Cashflow To Firm	2,559	693	710	(517)	778

SOURCE: INCRED RESEARCH, COMPANY REPORTS

### BY THE NUMBERS...cont'd

Balance Sheet					
(Rs mn)	Mar-21A	Mar-22A	Mar-23F	Mar-24F	Mar-25F
Total Cash And Equivalents	2,956	1,858	1,948	1,506	2,146
Total Debtors	3,552	3,904	3,560	4,277	4,919
Inventories	2,492	3,261	2,846	2,877	3,309
Total Other Current Assets	345	390	647	544	626
Total Current Assets	9,345	9,412	9,002	9,205	11,000
Fixed Assets	1,442	1,642	1,455	3,366	3,354
Total Investments					
Intangible Assets					
Total Other Non-Current Assets	837	820	2,189	1,380	1,380
Total Non-current Assets	2,279	2,462	3,644	4,746	4,734
Short-term Debt	135	147	101	101	101
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt					
Total Creditors	5,191	4,495	4,530	5,084	5,846
Other Current Liabilities	1,036	930	1,000	933	1,073
Total Current Liabilities	6,362	5,572	5,631	6,118	7,020
Total Long-term Debt	17				,
Hybrid Debt - Debt Component					
Total Other Non-Current Liabilities	688	886	1,169	1,169	1,169
Total Non-current Liabilities	705	886	1,169	1,169	1,169
Total Provisions					
Total Liabilities	7,067	6,457	6,800	7,287	8,189
Shareholders Equity	4,557	5,417	5,846	6,664	7,544
Minority Interests	,	,	,	,	,
Total Equity	4,557	5,417	5,846	6,664	7,544
Key Ratios					
Rey Railos	Mar-21A	Mar-22A	Mar-23F	Mar-24F	Mar-25F
Revenue Growth	(1.4%)	20.5%	3.3%	12.2%	15.0%
Operating EBITDA Growth	24.4%	5.4%	(34.7%)	52.3%	22.1%
Operating EBITDA Margin	10.8%	9.4%	6.0%	8.1%	8.6%
Net Cash Per Share (Rs)	13.21	8.06	8.71	6.61	9.61
BVPS (Rs)	21.47	25.53	27.55	31.36	35.46
Gross Interest Cover	8.51	9.08	4.40	11.97	13.38
Effective Tax Rate	26.0%	25.4%	25.6%	24.5%	24.0%
Net Dividend Payout Ratio	26.2%	25.0%	31.3%	25.9%	32.0%
Accounts Receivables Days	64.55	55.57	53.85	50.39	51.41
Inventory Days	68.80	59.42	61.10	52.95	50.13
Accounts Payables Days	109.12	100.06	90.28	88.93	88.56
ROIC (%)	32.7%	75.5%	21.2%	31.7%	31.0%
ROCE (%)	38.4%	36.1%	18.6%	27.3%	29.1%
Return On Average Assets	16.9%	16.1%	9.3%	12.7%	13.8%

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