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Dear Sir,

Re: Earning Presentation

Please find enclosed herewith the Earning Presentation for the quarter ended 30th June, 2022.

Thanking You

Yours faithfully

For LINC LIMITED

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Linc Limited (formerly Linc Pen and Plastics Limited)

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Executive Summary.

LINC

pentonic driven by design



deli

giant.

- Among Top 3 brands in India for Writing Instruments.
- Presence in the affordable segment for over 4 decades.
- ➤ New Writing Instrument brand launched in FY19 by Linc in MRP ₹10 and above segment.
- ➤ Known for its super smooth writing and sleek design.
- Global brand from Mitsubishi Pencil Co. Ltd, Japan.
- Presence across all categories of Writing Instruments – Roller Pen, Gel Pen and Ball Pen.
- Presence across all

➤ Asia's largest stationery

stationery categories with over 2000 Products.









- Linc Ltd. is one of India's largest writing instrument companies with 7.8% market share in the pen segment as of 2020
- National and international presence in over 50 countries
- Strong and extensive network in Southeast Asia, Middle East, USA, UK, Europe, South America, Africa, Russia and CIS countries
- India's exclusive importer and distributor of Asia's largest stationery giant; Deli and worldfamous pen brand Uniball; Mitsubishi Pencil Co., Japan



Source: Euromonitor Report – July 2021



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Management Commentary.

"With Covid induced restrictions behind us, our revenue has been displaying strong growth. Operating Income stood at ₹ 9,794 lacs, a growth of 77.7% over the previous year. However, first quarter being traditionally a weaker guarter for the industry, revenue fell by 11.4% QoQ. With Pentonic sales going strong, and with plans of introducing new products in the coming quarters, we expect strong top line growth in the coming quarters as well.

We are very happy to state that we were able to pass on the raw material price escalations, as we increased selling prices of our finished products in April, 2022. This resulted in improved gross margin, which increased from 22.9% in Q4 FY22 to 25.4% in Q1 FY23. Operating EBIDTA margin also improved to 8.2% and was up 569 basis points YOY and 288 basis point QoQ.

Input costs have started to come off; and prices of key inputs are expected to remain benign in the coming quarters as the focus of central banks have shifted to containing inflation. This along with our continued focus on higher margin products should help us in improving our margins and profitability going forward.

It is also very heartening to note that our touch points continue to increase with another 12,103 added in this quarter. "

Deepak Jalan

Managing Director, Linc Limited





Key Highlights.

Operating Income up 77.7% YoY, down 11.4% QoQ at ₹ 9,794 lacs.

Operating EBITDA up 486.6%

YoY at ₹ 799 lacs and Margin stood at 8.2%. Operating

EBITDA Margin increased 569 basis points YoY

Net Debt reduced by ₹ 776 lacs from 31st March 2022 and stood at (₹ 486) lacs Gross Profit up 100.7% YoY at ₹2,487 lacs and Margin stood at 25.4%

'Pentonic' Sales continued to grow and was over 29% of total revenue for Q1 FY 23 and its GPM stood ~ 40%

Net Debt/Equity stood at (0.03) against 0.02 in FY 22 and Net Debt/Operating EBITDA stood at (0.15) against 0.13 in FY22





Quarterly Highlights.

₹ Lacs

| | Operating Income | Gross Profit | Operating EBITDA | PBT | PAT | Cash Profit ¹ |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| | 9,794 | 2,487 | 799 | 593 | 438 | 766 |
| Growth (YOY) | 77.7% | 100.7% | 486.6% | NA ³ | NA ³ | 311.7% |
| Growth (QOQ) | (11.4%) | (1.9%) | 36.8% | 49.0% | 46.5% | 22.3% |
| Margin ² (%) | | 25.4% | 8.2% | 6.1% | 4.5% | |
| Margin –YoY Expansion/(Contraction) | | 292 bps | 569 bps | 899 bps | 669 bps | |
| EPS/CEPS | | | | | 2.95 | 5.15 |

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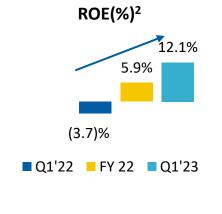
- 1. Cash Profit = PAT add Depreciation
- 2. Margins calculated on Operating Income
- 3. NA Negative number historically

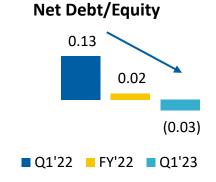


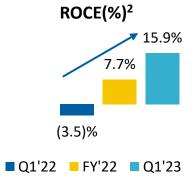
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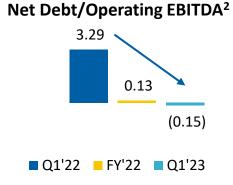
₹ Lacs

| Particulars | 30-Jun-22 | 31-Mar-22 | 30-Jun-21 | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Net Worth | 14,724 | 14,285 | 13,306 | |
| Short Term Borrowing | - | 299 | 1,818 | |
| Long Term Borrowing | - | - | - | |
| Gross Debt | - | 299 | 1,818 | |
| Cash & Cash equivalent | 486 | 9 | 26 | |
| Net Debt | (486) | 290 | 1,793 | |
| Net Current Assets ¹ | 6,238 | 6,072 | 7,170 | |
| Total Assets | 20,368 | 20,162 | 20,162 | |
| Total Asset Turnover | 1.93 | 1.77 | 1.10 | |
| Cash Conversion Cycle | 76 | 74 | 129 | |









Note:

^{1.} Net current assets excludes cash & cash equivalents

^{2.} Profit figures are YTD annualized



Quarterly Highlights (Cont..).

₹ Lacs

| Revenue | Writing Instruments | | | Other Products | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|--|
| | Own Brands | | Licensed Brands | Own Brands | | Licensed Brands | |
| | Pentonic | Linc & Others | (Uni-Ball) | Pentonic | Linc & Others | (Deli) | |
| Q1 FY23 | 2,855 | 4,345 | 1,465 | 16 | 128 | 498 | |
| Sales Contribution (%) | 30.7% | 46.7% | 15.7% | 0.2% | 1.4% | 5.4% | |
| Q4 FY22 | 3,202 | 5,347 | 1,367 | 1 | 79 | 336 | |
| Sales Contribution (%) | 31.0% | 51.8% | 13.2% | 0.0% | 0.8% | 3.3% | |
| Q1 FY22 | 1,483 | 2,804 | 809 | 1 | 131 | 116 | |
| Sales Contribution (%) | 27.8% | 52.5% | 15.1% | 0.0% | 2.4% | 2.2% | |
| Growth YoY | 92.5% | 55.0% | 81.1% | 1209.2% | (1.9%) | 328.4% | |
| Growth QoQ | (10.8%) | (18.7%) | 7.2% | 2374.8% | 62.4% | 48.3% | |



Quarterly Highlights (Cont..).

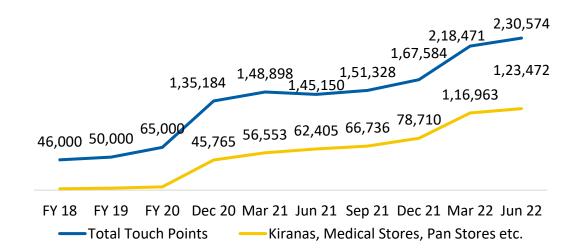
₹ Lacs

| Revenue | Trade Channel | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------|------------|-----------|---------|--|--|--|
| | General Trade | Modern Trade | E-Commerce | Corporate | Exports | | | |
| Q1 FY23 | 6,646 | 624 | 191 | 358 | 1,489 | | | |
| Sales Contribution (%) | 71.4% | 6.7% | 2.1% | 3.8% | 16.0% | | | |
| Q4 FY22 | 6,536 | 443 | 144 | 299 | 2,909 | | | |
| Sales Contribution (%) | 63.3% | 4.3% | 1.4% | 2.9% | 28.2% | | | |
| Q1 FY22 | 2,411 | 139 | 274 | 1,121 | 1,398 | | | |
| Sales Contribution (%) | 45.1% | 2.6% | 5.1% | 21.0% | 26.2% | | | |
| Growth YoY | 175.6% | 349.3% | (30.2%) | (68.1%) | 6.5% | | | |
| Growth QoQ | 1.7% | 40.7% | 33.2% | 19.4% | (48.8%) | | | |



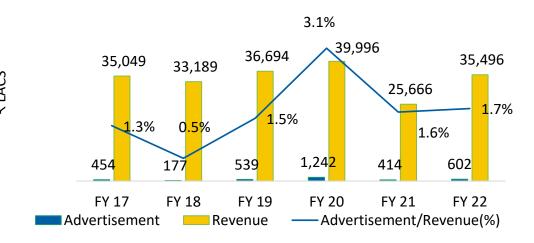
Operational Highlights.

Increasing touch points



- Broken tradition by expanding to neighbourhood grocery stores (Kirana, Medical stores, Pan stores, etc.)
- Strong increase in touch points 85,424 added over the last 12 months

Focus on brand building

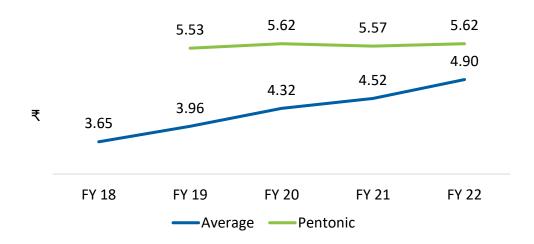


- Spent over ₹ 7,800 lacs on brands over last 12 years
- 2% of revenue spent on brands over last 12 years
- Reduced spent during covid period to conserve cash
- Step up brand spend going forward ~ 3% of revenue

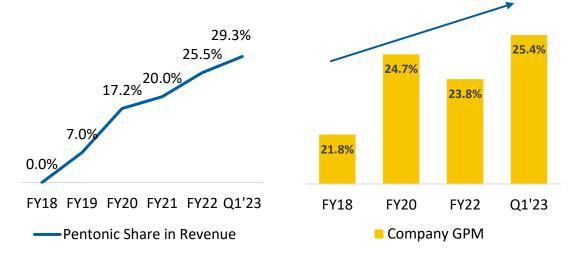


Operational Highlights (Cont..).

Growth in average realization of Pens



Focus on higher margin products



- Consistent increase in average selling price
- Average realization increase possible due to focus on higher priced products

- 'Pentonic' brand introduced in FY19 as a minimalistic yet contemporary pen, known for its aesthetics as well as writing smoothness
- Positioned at ₹ 10 + segment, 'Pentonic's' GPM is ~ 40%
- Significant increase in revenue share of 'Pentonic' over the last 4 years
- Hence, overall GPM of the Company has increased by ~ 350 basis point



Quarterly Profit & Loss.

₹ Lacs

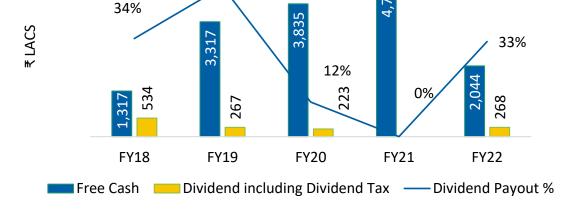
| Particulars | Q1 FY 23 | Q1 FY 22 | YoY Change | Q4 FY 22 | QoQ Change | FY22 |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|------------|----------|------------|--------|
| Operating Income | 9,794 | 5,513 | 77.7% | 11,055 | (11.4%) | 35,496 |
| Gross Profit | 2,487 | 1,239 | 100.7% | 2,536 | (1.9%) | 8,441 |
| Gross Profit (%) | 25.4% | 22.5% | 13.0% | 22.9% | 10.7% | 23.8% |
| Operating EBITDA | 799 | 136 | 486.6% | 584 | 36.8% | 2,153 |
| Operating EBITDA Margin (%) | 8.2% | 2.5% | 230.2% | 5.3% | 54.4% | 6.1% |
| Other Income | 132 | 40 | 229.1% | 161 | (18.0%) | 288 |
| Finance Cost | 11 | 30 | (64.8%) | 20 | (47.7%) | 73 |
| Depreciation | 328 | 308 | 6.3% | 327 | 0.2% | 1,282 |
| PBT | 593 | (162) | (466.9%) | 398 | 49.0% | 1,085 |
| PAT | 438 | (122) | (458.4%) | 299 | 46.5% | 813 |
| PAT Margin | 4.5% | (2.2%) | 6.7% | 2.7% | 1.8% | 2.3% |
| EPS (₹) | 2.95 | (0.82) | (458.4%) | 2.01 | 46.5% | 5.47 |



Focus on Shareholder Value Creation.

FCF VS DIVIDEND PAYOUT

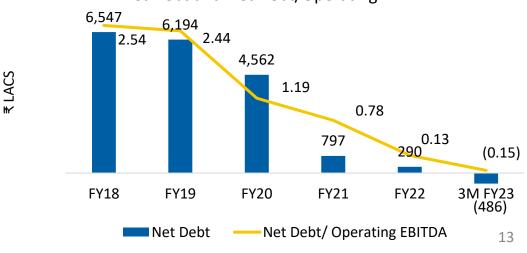
- Steady increase in Free Cash Flow
- Consistent Dividend Pay-out track record of greater than 30%
 (Other than Covid years due to cash conservation)



52%

- Steady and significant decrease in Net Debt
- FCF used judiciously to reduce Debt Net Debt now at negative
 ₹486 lacs
- Capex commitment funded largely through internal cash generation
- Net Debt / Operating EBITDA reduced significantly from peak of 2.54 in FY 2018 to (0.15) in Q1'23

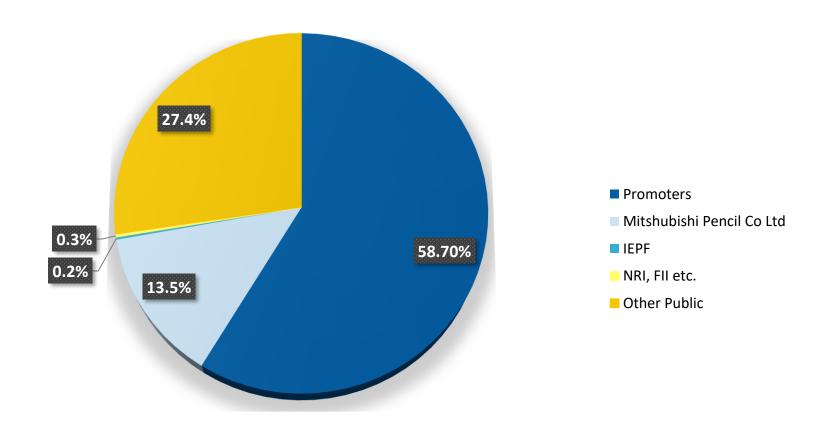
Net Debt and Net Debt/Operating EBITDA



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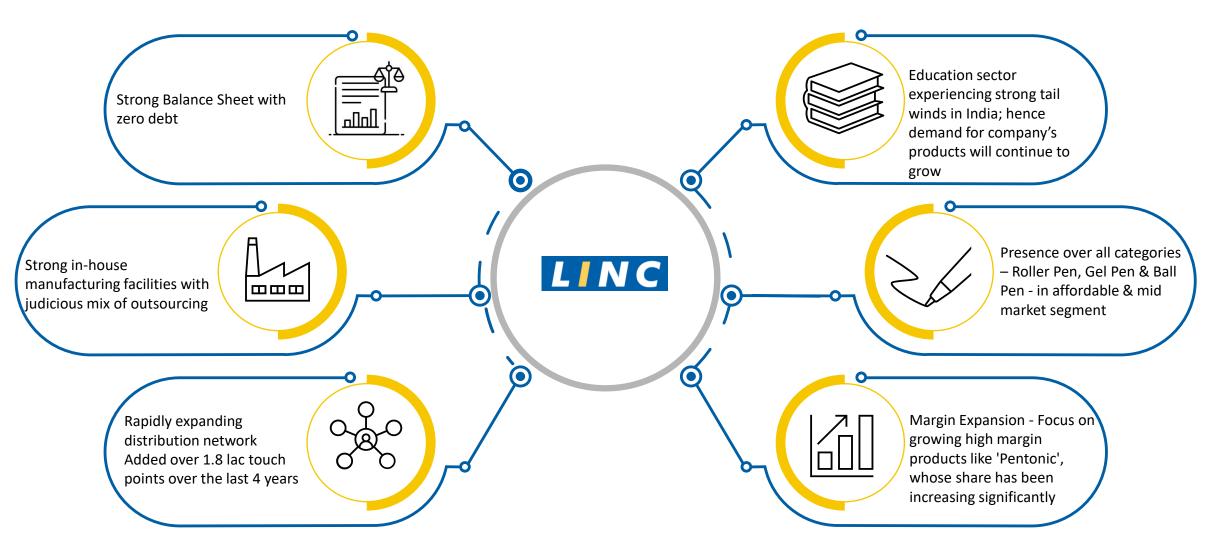
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As on 30th Jun'22



Why Linc?





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