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Financial Highlights



Management Commentary

Commenting on the results and performance, Mrs. Shobhana Bhartia, Chairperson and Editorial Director, HT Media said:

"The year has started on a cautious note. While April was promising, macroeconomic concerns and uncertainties around GST adversely affected advertising spends in the latter part of the quarter. The English print business was hit harder than the Hindi print one. But our new businesses continue to do well. Our new radio stations are generating revenue and the entire radio business witnessed an increase in operating profits. The digital businesses have also shown good growth.

While advertising revenue has been soft, there has been healthy growth in our EBITDA and profitability on the back of strong cost management.

We remain optimistic that sentiment and business will both improve in the second half of the year, on the back of lower inflation and an expected cut in the policy rate by RBI. The stabilisation of GST will also help. We expect the core business to start showing growth and the new businesses to continue to profitably scale up -- thereby delivering value to our shareholders."

Highlights of Consolidated Results – Q1 FY2018 vs. Q1 FY2017

- Total Revenue at INR 652 crores.
- Advertising Revenue de-grew by (2.2%); Circulation Revenues de-grew by (7.7)% vs. last year.
- EBITDA was up by 18.7% at INR 133 crores; EBITDA margins at 20.4% vs. 16.9% last year.
- Net Profit After Tax (PAT) up by 85.4% at INR 42 crores; PAT margins at 6.4%.
- Strong balance sheet position with healthy cash flows.
- EPS for the quarter stood at INR 1.79 as compared to INR 0.96 last year.





Consolidated Results - Q1 FY18 (y-o-y and q-o-q)

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INR crores (Except for EPS)	FY2017	FY2018	Growth (%)	FY2017	FY2018	Growth (%)
Advertising Revenues	484	473	-2.2%	452	473	4.7%
Circulation Revenues	77	71	-7.7%	73	71	-2.1%
Other Revenues	101	108	6.5%	110	108	-1.5%
Total Revenues	662	652	-1.5%	634	652	2.8%
Raw Materials & change in inventory	180	164	-8.9%	159	164	3.4%
Employee Cost	149	131	-11.8%	137	131	-4.2%
Other expenses	221	224	1.1%	216	224	3.4%
EBITDA	112	133	18.7%	122	133	9.1%
Margin (%)	16.9%	20.4%		19.2%	20.4%	
Net Profit after Tax (PAT)	22	42	85.4%	26	42	<i>62.6%</i>
Margin (%)	3.4%	6.4%		4.0%	6.4%	
Basic EPS (Rs.)	0.96	1.79	85.4%	1.10	1.79	62.6%



Lower losses in the Digital segment

- Overall revenues from Digital segment crossed INR 40 crores registering a growth of ~10% vs. Q1 last year, led by growth in Shine.com and Digital Content which witnessed healthy revenue growth of ~8% & ~45% respectively.
- Losses in the digital segment also came down to (INR 12 crores) vs. (INR 13 crores) Q1 last year.

Radio business doing well with launch of New stations

- 30% increase in reported revenue to INR 43.0 crores in Q1'FY18 from INR 33.2 crores in the same period last year largely driven by growth of new radio stations.
- Radio EBITDA at INR 11.4 crores is higher than last year by 107% along with a higher margin at 26%.

Financial Overview – Quarterly



Revenue

- o Total revenue down by (1.5%) at INR 652 crores from INR 662 crores
 - (2.2%) decrease in advertising revenue to INR 473 crores from INR 484 crores
 - (7.7%) decrease in circulation revenue to INR 71 crores from INR 77 crores
 - 6.5% increase in other revenue due to higher income on investments.

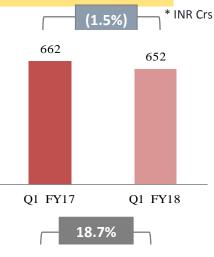
EBITDA

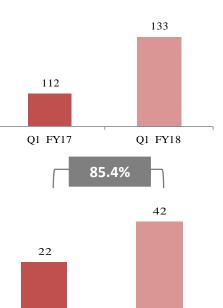
EBITDA higher than last year by 18.7% at INR 133 crores from INR 112 crores primarily due to decrease in raw material costs and employee cost.

Net Profit After Tax

Net PAT up by 85.4% at INR 42 crores from INR 22 crores led by growth in EBITDA and also on account of lower interest costs







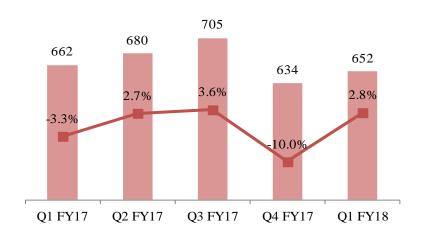
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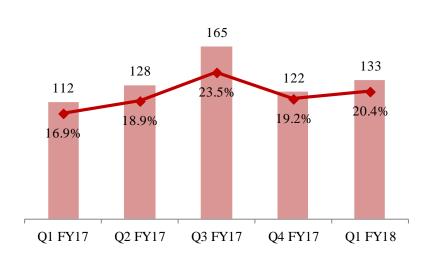
Financial Overview – Quarterly



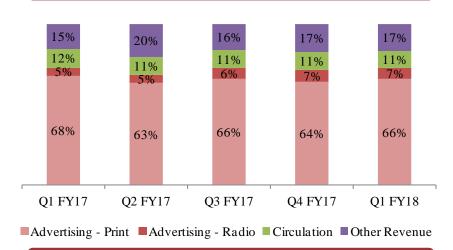
Revenue (Rs. Crs) and Growth (%)



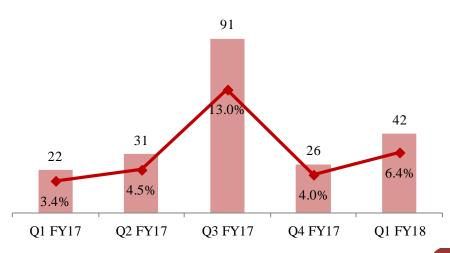
EBITDA (Rs. Crs) and Margin (%)



Revenue Breakdown (%)



PAT (Rs. Crs) and Margin (%)







Particulars	Three Months Ended			
(In INR Crores, except EPS data)	30.06.2016 Un-audited	30.06.2017 Un-audited	Variance (%)	
Income from operations	615	599	-2.5%	
Other income	48	53	11.2%	
Total Income	662	652	-1.5%	
Cost of materials consumed	181	165	-8.9%	
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventory	(0)	(0)		
Employees Cost	149	131	-11.8%	
Other Expenditure	221	224	1.1%	
Total Expenditure	550	519	-5.7%	
EBITDA	112	133	18.8%	
Margin (%)	16.9%	20.4%		
Depreciation & Amortisation	30	32	8.5%	
Interest & finance charges	25	19	-21.4%	
Profit before tax	58	82	41.1%	
Margin (%)	8.7%	12.5%		
Tax Expense	19	24	28.1%	
Profit after tax	39	58	47.2%	
Margin (%)	5.9%	8.9%		
Share of profit/ (loss) of associates	(4)	(5)	8.8%	
Minority interest - (Profit) / Loss	13	12	-7.9%	
Net Profit after Tax	22	42	85.4%	
Margin (%)	3.4%	6.4%		
EPS	0.96	1.79	85.4%	

Strategic Focus



- Print Business
 - Regain revenue growth in Print business with heightened focus on yield-led growth
 - Tight control on costs to improve profitability
- Continue to drive revenue and profitability of newly launched Radio stations
- Improve Digital footprint by executing on our digital strategy and aim to grow revenue in this space

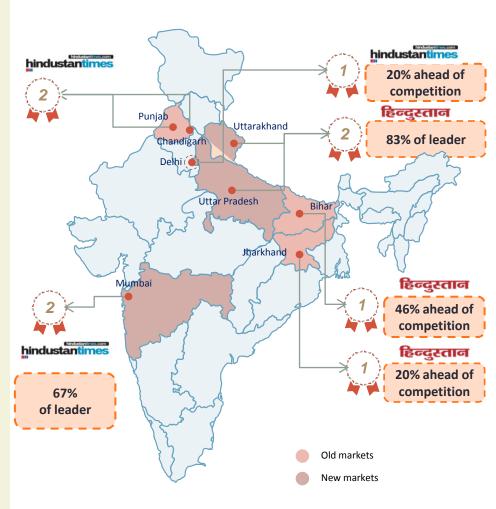
HT Media Limited: At a Glance



Company Background

- HT Media is one of the leading print media companies engaged in the printing and publishing of 'Hindustan Times', 'Hindustan' (thru its subsidiary) and 'Mint', the second largest newspaper dailies of India based on total readership in English, Hindi and Business segments respectively.
- o 'Hindustan Times' was started in 1924 and has a more than 85-year history as one of India's leading newspapers.
- The Company has 15 operational FM radio stations "Fever" in Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru, Chennai,
 Kolkata, Hyderabad and UP and "Radio Nasha" in
 Delhi and Mumbai.
- The Company also operates a job portal in the internet space, called www.Shine.com. This is in addition to the existing websites livemint.com , hindustantimes.com and desimartini.com.
- HT Media also publishes two Hindi magazines Nandan and Kadambini through its subsidiary Hindustan Media Ventures Limited.

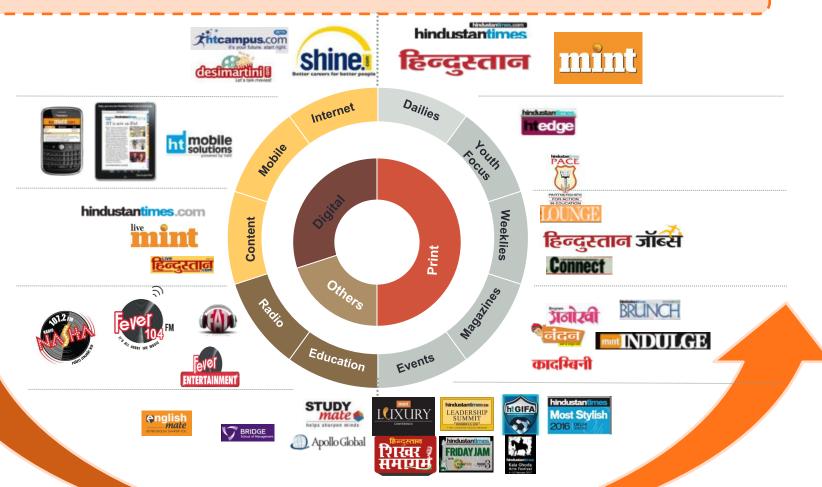
Market Leadership Positions



HT Media Limited: At a Glance



Pan-India content distribution footprint across traditional (Print and Radio) and new-age digital channels (e.g. Internet and Mobile)



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