# **HT Media Limited**

Overview

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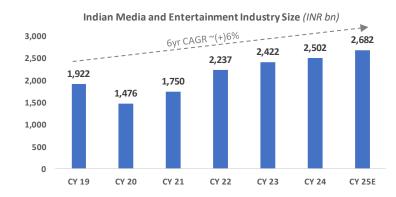
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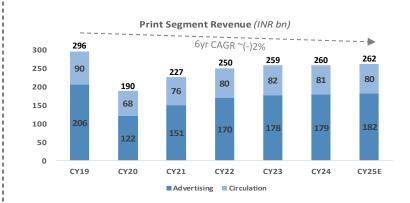
## **Indian Media & Entertainment Industry**

## **Industry**



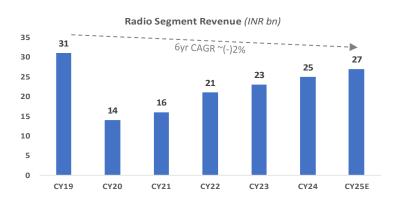
- In CY 2024, Indian media & entertainment (M&E) industry grew modestly at 3.3% y-o-y as compared to stronger growth in prior years
- Legacy media continues to stay below its prepandemic levels whereas Digital remained the primary driver of growth with M&E
- Projections for CY 2025E indicate ~7% growth,
   with overall industry reaching INR 2.68 trillion

### Print



- In CY 2024, the Print sector remained relatively flat at INR 260 billion, still ~12% below its pre-pandemic level
- Near term estimates are that Print advertising growth would be subdued and there could be slight drop in subscription
- Premium advertising formats and building reader loyalty through hyperlocal reporting are key levers for medium term growth

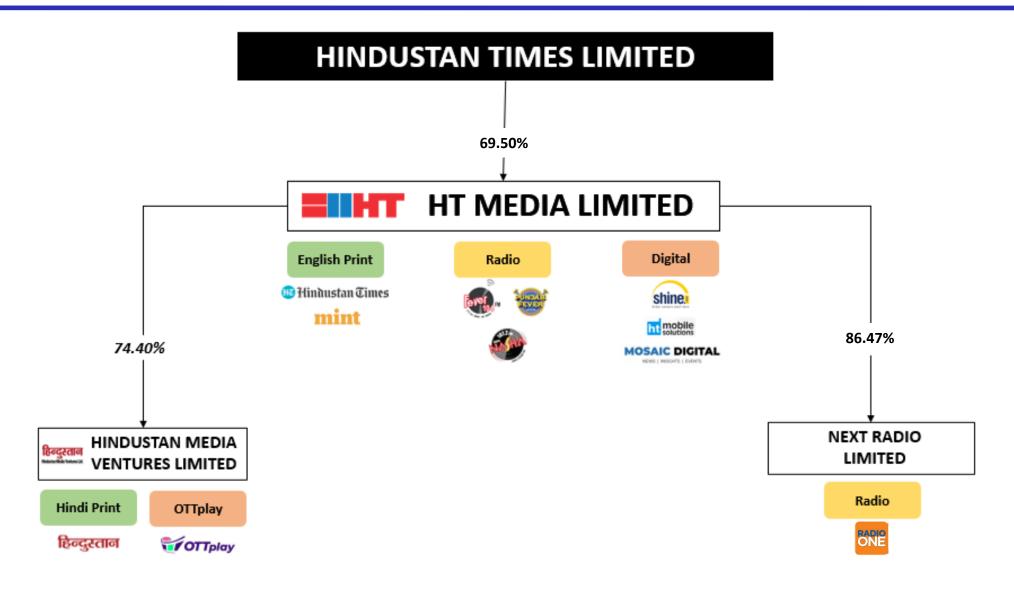
### Radio



- In CY 2024, the Radio sector achieved a ~9% growth, reaching INR 25 billion
- Ad volumes increased marginally by 3% y-o-y, while advertising rates remained stressed
- Growth in the industry is expected to be driven by focus on non-FCT (free commercial time) activations and multi-media solutions



# **Company Holding Structure\***



<sup>\*</sup>Note: Illustrative purpose only. Simplified structure covering only key entities and is not comprehensive —. As at September, 2025



## **Business Overview**

## **Key Brands**

### Print







### Radio









### Digital









## **Key Geographies**

### Print

### **Hindustan Times**

#2

#1

#1

#2

India

Delhi NCR

Punjab (incl. Chandigarh)

Mumbai

#### Hindustan

#1

#1 / #2

#2

#2

Uttarakhand

Bihar / Bihar + UP

Jharkhand

Delhi

#### Mint

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India

### Radio

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Digital

#### **Fever FM**

#1

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Mumbai

Delhi

Shine

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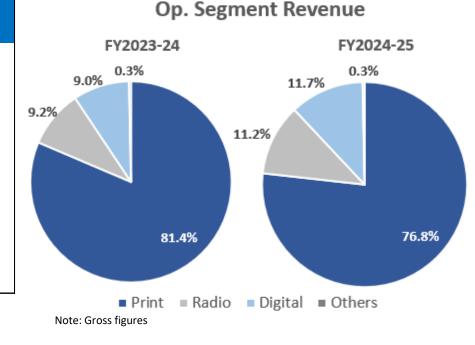
India



## **Overall Performance**

Consolidated Results (INR crore)	FY2023-24	FY2024-25
Total Revenue	1,886	2,025
YoY growth (%)	1%	7%
EBITDA	118	187
EBITDA margin (%)	6%	9%
PAT	(30)	20
PAT margin (%)	-2%	1%
Net Cash	884	1,008

Q1FY25	Q1FY26
427	451
-4%	6%
7	10
2%	2%
(28)	(11)
-6%	-3%
858	976



#### Note:

- Reported financials as per quarterly earnings presentation. EBITDA and PAT are before exceptional items and share of JVs. Net Cash at end of period
- Total Revenue includes Operating Revenue and Other Income

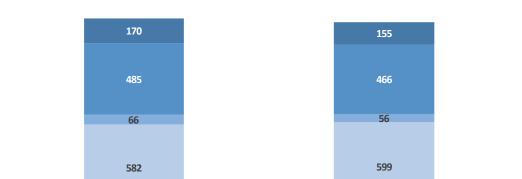
### Overall performance on path to recovery post multiple instances of high impact macro events

- Demonetization in 2016 followed by GST implementation in 2017, MSME crisis in 2018, subsequently the pandemic in 2020 which lasted for a couple of years all impacted business significantly. Global geopolitical conflicts resulted in escalation of commodity prices in FY23 and FY24
- Gradual improvement in business performance over last few years can be attributed to conscious efforts aimed at growing the business including expansion of digital businesses, better pricing of Advertisements, focused cost rationalization and a dip in prices of key commodities

## **Print Performance**

Particulars Consolidated (INR crore)	FY2023-24	FY2024-25
Ad. Revenue	1,067	1,065
YoY growth (%)	1%	0%
Cir. Revenue	236	211
YoY growth (%)	0%	-10%
Operating Revenue	1,386	1,393
YoY growth (%)	-3%	0%
Operating EBITDA	73	121
Op. EBITDA margin (%)	5%	9%

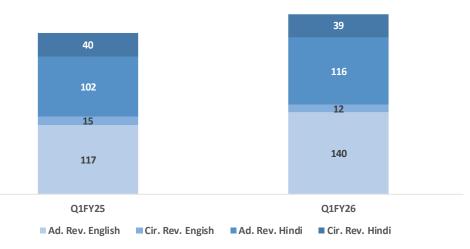
Q1FY25	Q1FY26
219	255
-10%	17%
55	51
-9%	-8%
299	324
-8%	8%
(1)	15
0%	5%



Print Advertising & Circulation Revenue (INR crore)

Note: Reported financials / figures as per quarterly earnings presentation

- Print segment performance showing advertisement led traction with improved segment profitability
- We saw softening in pricing of primary input commodity i.e. newsprint, enhancing the profitability of our Print business on the back of steady advertising revenues



FY2024-25

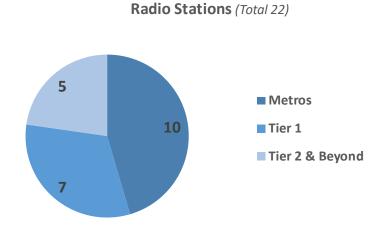
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FY2023-24

## **Radio Performance**

Particulars Consolidated (INR crore)	FY2023-24	FY2024-25
Operating Revenue	157	204
YoY growth (%)	9%	30%
Operating EBITDA	13	(6)
Op. EBITDA margin (%)	8%	-3%

Q1FY25	Q1FY26
36	31
3%	-13%
(0)	(7)
-1%	-21%



Metros: Delhi (3), Mumbai (3), Kolkata (2), Chennai (2)

Tier 1: Bengaluru (2), Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Pune, Lucknow, Kanpur

Tier 2 & Beyond: Agra, Aligarh, Allahabad, Bareilly, Gorakhpur

## Note: Reported financials as per quarterly earnings presentation

### Radio performance continues to face headwinds

- The larger industry still facing challenges with regard to FCT (free commercial time) revenue; however, we are pivoting the business with a renewed focus on growing non-FCT revenue
- Margins in this business remain under continued pressure



# **Digital Performance**

Particulars Consolidated (INR crore)	FY2023-24	FY2024-25
Operating Revenue	154	212
YoY growth (%)	16%	38%
Operating EBITDA	(113)	(101)
Op. EBITDA margin (%)	-73%	-48%

Q1FY25	Q1FY26
47	56
31%	21%
(25)	(21)
-54%	-38%









Note: Reported financials as per quarterly earnings presentation

- Digital initiatives leading to higher revenue growth
- Investments continue in this vertical to ensure appropriate scale up

# **Thank You**

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