Result Update

13th November, 2025

Ashok Leyland LtdAuto



BUY
Target Price
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Sustained Market Share Gains & Strategic Growth Levers

Est. vs. Actual for Q2FY26: Revenue - INLINE; EBITDA - MISS; PAT - INLINE

Change in Estimates Post Q2FY26

FY26E/FY27E: Revenue: 2%/1.5%; EBITDA: 0.8%/2.5%; PAT: 3.9%/2.8%

Recommendation Rationale

- Market Share Gains Outperforming Industry Trends: Ashok Leyland's MHCV volumes are
 estimated to have grown by 3–5% YoY in FY26, reflecting sustained demand momentum. We
 expect the company to maintain its market share at ~31.1% (vs 29.8% in the previous year)
 over the next two years. In the LCV segment, market share improved to ~15% YoY, highlighting
 the brand's strong competitive positioning and product excellence across the commercial
 vehicle (CV) spectrum.
- HFL- Strong Growth and Value Unlock Potential: Ashok Leyland's captive NBFC, Hinduja
 Leyland Finance (HFL), reported 26% YoY growth in AUM during Q2FY26, reaching Rs 52,635
 Cr, with HHF AUM at Rs 14,903 Cr. PAT stood at Rs 196 Cr and NNPA at 1.59%. The upcoming
 merger with NXTDigital will pave the way for a public listing, unlocking value and further
 strengthening the balance sheet, with Ashok Leyland holding a 61.1% stake.
- Capacity Expansion & Dealer Network Enabling Scale: The Andhra Pradesh plant is expected to ramp up to 200 units/month by year-end, while the upcoming Lucknow bus plant (Q3FY26) will enhance bus body-building capacity from 12,000 to over 20,000 units per year. The company continues to strengthen its retail presence, adding 27 MHCV and 26 LCV touchpoints in Q2, taking the total network to 1,100 MHCV and 876 LCV outlets, with a target of over 2,000 combined touchpoints by the end of FY26.

Sector Outlook: Positive

Company Outlook & Guidance: Management expects demand to improve post-monsoon, led by strong traction in heavy-duty trucks for mining, construction, and logistics. Stable freight rates, improving operator profitability, transmission of RBI rate cuts, and continued infrastructure spending provide strong tailwinds. Furthermore, optimising operational efficiencies, material cost reduction efforts, growing non-cyclical segments, and pricing discipline are expected to generate strong positive cash flows.

Current Valuation: 21x P/E on FY28E EPS and Rs 14/share for stake in HLF Ltd.

Current TP: Rs 160/share (Earlier TP: Rs 135/share)

Recommendation: We maintain our BUY rating on the stock.

Financial Performance: In Q2FY26, Ashok Leyland's revenue was at Rs 9,588 Cr (in line), up 9.3% YoY, led by 7.7% YoY volume growth, better product mix, and marginal ASP improvement. EBITDA (Miss) came in at Rs 970 Cr, up 6.4% YoY; EBITDA margin was 12.1% (Miss), up 52 bps YoY, on account of a richer product mix, better price realisation, and commodity cost control. PAT (in line) stood at Rs 799 Cr, up 16% YoY.

Key Financials (Standalone)

(Rs Cr)	Q2FY26	QoQ (%)	YoY (%)	Axis Est.	Variance
Net Sales	9,588	9.9%	9.3%	9,534	0.6%
EBITDA	1,162	19.9%	14.2%	1,229	-5.5%
EBITDA Margin	12.1%	101 bps	52 bps	12.9%	-77 bps
Adj Net Profit	799	34.6%	16.2%	788	1.3%
Adj EPS (Rs)	1.36	34.6%	16.2%	1.34	1.3%

Source: Company, Axis Securities Research

	(CMP as of 12 th i	November, 2025)
CMP (Rs)		143
Upside /Downsid	le (%)	12%
High/Low (Rs)		147/95
Market cap (Cr)		85,787
Avg. daily vol. (6)	m)Shrs.	6,18,087
No. of shares (Cr	r)	587.31

Shareholding (%)

	Mar-25	Jun-25	Sep-25
Promoter	51.5	51.5	51.5
FII	23.5	23.9	24.3
Mutual Funds	7.5	8.0	8.2
Others	17.5	16.7	15.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

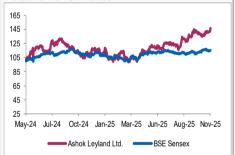
Financial & Valuations

Y/E Mar (Rs Cr)	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Net Sales	41,408	43,736	47,057
EBITDA	5,269	5,856	6,291
Adj. Net Profit	3,497	3,820	4,111
EPS (Rs.)	5.8	6.5	7.0
PER (x)	12.0	11.0	10.2
EV/EBITDA (x)	15.5	13.4	11.9
P/BV (x)	2.9	2.4	2.0
ROE (%)	26.4	23.5	20.9

Change in Estimates (%)

Y/E Mar	FY26E	FY27E
Sales	2.0%	1.5%
EBITDA	0.8%	2.5%
PAT	3.9%	2.8%

Relative Performance



Source: Ace Equity, Axis Securities

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Outlook

We remain positive on the long-term prospects of AL, factoring in a gradual recovery in the MHCV industry momentum and segmental diversification. We, therefore, arrive at a sustainable long-term volume guidance of 6% CAGR growth over FY25–28E, led by growth in export volumes. We estimate AL to post revenue/EBITDA/PAT growth of 7%/8%/8% CAGR over FY25–28E, on the back of incremental sales mix from non-cyclical business.

Valuation & Recommendation

Ashok Leyland delivered a robust Q2FY26 performance, underpinned by operational excellence, an aggressive product pipeline, and a solid balance sheet. The company's diversified revenue streams across MHCVs, LCVs, defence, power solutions, and exports provide resilience, while capacity expansions and dealership network growth ensure scalability. With a healthy macro backdrop of improving freight rates, stable fleet utilisation, and continued government capex spending, Ashok Leyland is strategically placed to capture both domestic and international CV market opportunities, justifying our **BUY** rating. We arrive at a TP of Rs 160/share (Earlier TP: Rs 135/share), valuing the stock at 21x P/E on FY28E EPS (Earlier 18x P/E FY28E) and assigning Rs 14/share for the stake in Hinduja Leyland Finance Ltd.

Key Highlights

- EV Growth Engine; Switch Mobility and OHM Global: Ashok Leyland's electric mobility strategy is anchored on two complementary pillars, Switch Mobility India and OHM Global. Switch India delivered a strong performance in H1FY26, selling approximately 600 electric buses and 600 ELCVs, supported by an order book exceeding 1,650 buses and strong traction in tenders from state transport undertakings. The company aims to become cash flow positive by FY27, driven by volume ramp-up, platform localisation, and cost optimisation. OHM Mobility, the group's E-MaaS subsidiary, focuses on operating electric bus fleets, thereby capturing recurring service revenues. As of Q2FY26, OHM has 1,100 buses in operation with 98%+ fleet availability and is on track to operate over 2,500 buses within the next 12 months. Its operational scale is supported by buses manufactured by Switch and procured under prior tender wins, creating a captive demand cycle for Ashok Leyland's EV arm. Together, Switch India and OHM Mobility position Ashok Leyland for future monetisation opportunities via potential strategic investors, while reinforcing technological leadership in the fast-growing Indian electric bus market.
- International Business Strong Export Momentum: Exports rose 45% YoY in Q2FY26 to 4,784 units, led by strong growth traction
 in GCC, SAARC and Africa markets, with the UAE plant nearing full capacity utilisation. Saudi Arabia remains a high-growth
 geography.
- **Defence & Power Solutions:** While Q2FY26 defence revenue declined to Rs 120 Cr vs Rs 400 Cr last year, management remains bullish, backed by a Rs 1,000 Cr order book and Rs 2,000 Cr in tenders won. The power solutions segment posted a 28.5% YoY revenue increase, diversifying income streams and enhancing margin stability.
- Capex & Balance Sheet Strength: Capex stood at Rs 417 Cr and Rs 658 Cr in H1FY26, reflecting ongoing investments in capacity,
 product development and technology. The company ended Q2 with a net cash position of Rs 1,000 Cr, marking a Rs 1,500 Cr YoY
 improvement.
- Non-diesel Portfolio: Ashok Leyland continues to broaden its non-diesel portfolio, with two models of light electric trucks, three
 models of MHCV electric trucks, and multiple variants of electric buses already commercially available. The company has also
 ventured into alternative fuel technologies, including CNG, LNG, and hydrogen within its diesel range. Additionally, it is preparing to
 launch a new range of heavy-duty trucks with 320 to 360 HP power ratings, built on next-generation aggregates for superior reliability.
 These vehicles, equipped with advanced six-cylinder engines delivering segment-leading peak torque, are designed to ensure bestin-class turnaround times and higher earnings potential for customers.



Change in Estimates

(Rs Cr)	Revised		Old		% Change				
	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Sales	41,408	43,736	47,057	40,608	43,089	45,948	2.0%	1.5%	2.4%
EBITDA	5,269	5,856	6,291	5,228	5,715	6,057	0.8%	2.5%	3.9%
PAT	3,497	3,820	4,111	3,366	3,714	3,935	3.9%	2.8%	4.5%

Source: Company, Axis Securities Research

Q2FY26 Results Review

YE March (Rs Cr)	Q2FY25	Q1FY26	Axis Sec Estimates	Q2FY26	YoY (%)	QoQ (%)	Axis Sec Var (%)
M&HCV	25,685	25,661		26,635	3.7%	3.8%	
LCV	16,629	15,566		17,697	6.4%	13.7%	
Total Domestic	42,314	41,227		44,332	4.8%	7.5%	
M&HCV	2,495	2,410		4,083	63.6%	69.4%	
LCV	815	601		701	-14.0%	16.6%	
Total Exports	2,334	5,460		4,784	105.0%	-12.4%	
Total Volume (units)	44,648	46,687	49,116	49,116	10.0%	5.2%	
	Q2FY25	Q1FY26	Axis Sec Estimates	Q2FY26	YoY (%)	QoQ (%)	Axis Sec Var (%)
Net Sales	8,769	8,725	9,534	9,588	9.3%	9.9%	0.6%
ASP (Rs/vehicle)	19,63,992	18,68,724	19,41,197	19,52,150	-0.6%	4.5%	0.6%
Less:							
Net Raw Material consumed	6,241	6,163	6,769	6,824	9.3%	10.7%	0.8%
Other Manufacturing & Sales Exp.	912	980	877	955	4.7%	-2.6%	8.8%
Personnel	599	612	659	648	8.2%	5.8%	-1.6%
Total Expenditure	7,752	7,755	8,305	8,426	8.7%	8.7%	1.5%
EBITDA	1,017	970	1,229	1,162	14.2%	19.9%	-5.5%
Less: Depreciation	175	183	237	172	-1.8%	-5.7%	-27.4%
EBIT	842	787	992	990	17.6%	25.8%	-0.2%
Less: Interest	61	42	28	42	-30.8%	0.3%	47.9%
Add: Other income	97	53	88	135	38.6%	155.0%	53.6%
Profit Before Extraordinary tems and Tax	878	798	1,051	1,083	23.2%	35.7%	3.0%
Less: Extraordinary Expense/(Income)	(117)	-	-	40	-	-	-
Profit Before Tax	996	798	1,051	1,043	4.7%	30.7%	-0.8%
Less: Total Tax	226	204	263	272	20.3%	33.1%	3.3%
Profit After Tax	770	594	788	771	0.1%	29.9%	-2.2%
Adj. PAT	688	594	788	799	16.2%	34.6%	1.3%
Shares Outstanding (Cr)	587	587	587	587	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Reported EPS (Rs.)	1.3	1.0	1.3	1.3	0.1%	29.9%	-2.2%
Adj. EPS (Rs.)	1.2	1.0	1.3	1.4	16.2%	34.6%	1.3%
Margin Analysis	Q2FY25	Q1FY26	Axis Sec Estimates	Q2FY26	Change in bps	Change in bps	Change in bps
Gross Margins	28.8%	29.4%	29.0%	28.8%	1 bps	-53 bps	-17 bps
EBITDA Margin	11.6%	11.1%	12.9%	12.1%	52 bps	101 bps	-77 bps
Adj. NPM	7.8%	6.8%	8.3%	8.3%	49 bps	153 bps	6 bps
Effective Tax Rate	25.7%	25.6%	25.0%	26.0%	35 bps	48 bps	105 bps
Cost Analysis							
RM/Net Sales	71.2%	70.6%	71.0%	71.2%	-1 bps	53 bps	17 bps
Other Mfg & Sales Exp/Net Sales	10.4%	11.2%	9.2%	10.0%	-44 bps	-128 bps	76 bps
Personnel/Net Sales	6.8%	7.02%	6.9%	6.8%	-7 bps	-26 bps	-15 bps
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Source: Company, Axis Securities Research.



Financials (Standalone)

Profit & Loss (Rs Cr)

Y/E March (Rs Cr)	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Net revenues	38,753	41,408	43,736	47,057
Operating expenses	33,822	36,139	37,881	40,766
EBITDA	4,931	5,269	5,856	6,291
EBITDA margin (%)	12.7	12.7	13.4	13.4
Other income	250	363	351	351
Interest	217	141	136	136
Depreciation	719	858	977	1,025
Profit Before Tax	4,348	4,593	5,093	5,481
Tax	1,045	1,176	1,273	1,370
Reported Net Profit	3,303	3,417	3,820	4,111
Net Margin (%)	8.5	8.3	8.7	8.7
Adjusted Net Profit	3,224	3,497	3,820	4,111

Source: Company, Axis Securities Research

Balance Sheet (Rs Cr)

Y/E March (Rs Cr)	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Equity capital	294	294	294	294
Reserves & surplus	11,225	14,055	17,287	20,811
Shareholders' funds	11,519	14,349	17,581	21,104
Total Loans	1,435	1,135	835	535
Deferred tax liability	548	548	548	548
Total Liabilities and Equity	13,502	16,032	18,964	22,187
Gross block	13,138	13,836	14,336	14,836
Depreciation	6,023	6,881	7,858	8,884
Net block	7,115	6,955	6,478	5,952
Capital WIP	448	250	250	250
Investments	8,673	8,873	9,073	9,273
Inventory	2,957	2,833	2,993	3,220
Debtors	2,887	3,971	4,194	4,512
Cash & Bank Bal	2,706	3,098	5,901	9,115
Loans & Advances	739	2,796	3,295	3,843
Current Assets	9,290	12,699	16,383	20,690
Sundry Creditors	7,305	7,426	7,784	8,376
Other Current Liability	4,719	5,319	5,435	5,601
Current Liability& Provisions	12,024	12,745	13,219	13,978
Net current assets	(2,734)	(46)	3,164	6,712
Total Assets	13,502	16,032	18,964	22,187

Source: Company, Axis Securities Research.



Cash Flow (Rs Cr)

Y/E March (Rs Cr)	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
EBIT	4,211	4,411	4,878	5,266
Other Income	250	363	351	351
Depreciation & Amortization	719	858	977	1,025
Interest paid (-)	-217	-141	-136	-136
Tax paid (-)	-1,045	-1,176	-1,273	-1,370
Extra Ord Income	104	-40	0	0
Operating Cash Flow	4,023	4,275	4,797	5,136
Change in Working Capital	1,359	-2,295	-407	-335
Cash flow from Operations	5,382	1,980	4,390	4,801
Сарех	-1,579	-500	-500	-500
Investment	-3,113	-200	-200	-200
Cash flow from Investing	-4,692	-700	-700	-700
Change in borrowing	-819	-300	-300	-300
Others	-16	0	0	0
Dividends paid (-)	-587	-587	-587	-587
Cashflow from Financial Activities	-1,422	-887	-887	-887
Change in Cash	-732	392	2,803	3,214
Opening cash	3,438	2,706	3,098	5,901
Closing cash	2,706	3,098	5,901	9,115

Source: Company, Axis Securities Research

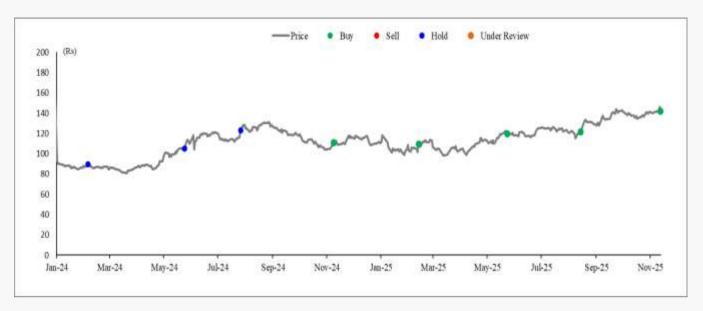
Ratio Analysis (%)

Y/E March	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Revenue Growth	1.0	6.9	5.6	7.6
EBITDA Margin	12.7	12.7	13.4	13.4
Net Profit Margin	8.3	8.4	8.7	8.7
ROCE (%)	25.6	23.3	21.5	19.8
ROE (%)	30.8	26.4	23.5	20.9
EPS	11.0	5.8	6.5	7.0
P/E (x)	7.8	12.0	11.0	10.2
P/ BV (x)	2.2	2.9	2.4	2.0
EV/ EBITDA (x)	9.9	15.5	13.4	11.9
Fixed Assets Turnover Ratio (x)	6.2	7.0	8.0	9.5
Debt / Equity (x)	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
EV/ Sales (x)	1.3	2.0	1.8	1.6

Source: Company, Axis Securities Research



Ashok Leyland Price Chart and Recommendation History



Source: Axis Securities research

Date	Reco	TP	Research
06-Feb-24	HOLD	93	Result Update
27-May-24	HOLD	111	Result Update
29-Jul-24	HOLD	115	Result Update
11-Nov-24	BUY	125	Result Update
13-Feb-25	BUY	123	Result Update
26-May-25	BUY	135	Result Update
18-Aug-25	BUY	135	Result Update
13-Nov-25	BUY	160	Result Update

Source: Axis Securities Research



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