# **FSN E-Commerce Ventures**

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# Upside constrained

FSN E-Commerce Ventures' (NYKAA IN) Q2 was broadly in line, but a 21% rally in the stock price in the past three months (driven by revival in Fashion) has premiumized the core BPC valuation. With valuations now reflecting rebound in growth, thus room for disappointment is limited and vulnerable to a de-rating in case of any growth moderation (amid rising competition from quick commerce). Our FY27E-28E EBITDA/EPS estimates are largely unchanged. We roll forward to FY28E. So, we raise TP to INR 260. Retain Accumulate.

BPC – Competitive intensity may weigh down growth: NYKAA BPC enjoys premium margins (versus grocery) with lower returns. However, the competitive intensity in online BPC is expected to rise meaningfully as Flipkart and Amazon expand assortments and improve delivery speeds with quick commerce. This may pose a higher risk to NYKAA than to quick commerce incumbents, due to shorter lead times and wider product selection, which may prompt it to elevate promotional intensity and discounting to defend market share. Moreover, investment in Nykaa Now may drive higher fulfillment cost and cap margin gains. Ad revenue growth slowed to average c.12% in past three quarters. BPC EBITDAM was broadly flat in Q2, even as the share of private brands in BPC GMV was at c.18%.

**Fashion – Growth sustained**: GMV accelerated by 36.7% YoY (avg. 17.0% in past three quarters), primarily driven by quarterly UTC additions (up 33.3% YoY) amidst festivals. Profitability-wise, NYKAA's Fashion losses pared to INR 120mn (down 37% QoQ), led by operating leverage and calibrated marketing expenses (42.8% in Q2; average 49% in past three quarters). We expect EBITDA breakeven by FY26 on sustained momentum.

Margin improves on lower losses in fashion: Q2 EBITDAM rose to 6.8% (up 20bps QoQ) due to gross margin gains of 30bps QoQ. In BPC, despite the share of private labels rising to c.18%, EBITDAM was flat in Q2. Our expectation of margin expansion (9.0% by FY28E) in BPC is on lower eB2B losses and modest gain in core BPC which is largely driving headline EBITDA CAGR of 46% till FY28E (core BPC EBIDTA CAGR to be at 30% on competition).

Retain Accumulate; TP raised to INR 260: The 21% surge in the stock price in three months was led by a revival in Fashion, but note that: a) this has premiumized core BPC valuations to 75x FY28E (sharing 75% of GMV; 92% of contribution profit), b) BPC reported the lowest take rate (60.0%) since listing, underscoring discounting and competition weight, c) despite better profitability in eB2B, BPC EBITDAM was flat. Our estimates model in mid-to-upper band of NYKAA's growth guidance (BPC: GMV CAGR 28%) and factors modest gain in core BPC margins. That said, amidst premiumized valuation, any moderation in growth/margins or surge in competition (entry of Flipkart and Amazon in quick commerce) may lead to sharp de-rating. For FY25-28E, our revenue CAGR of 28.1% limits a further rerating. We pare FY26E EBITDA estimates by 8% to factor in flat BPC margin in Q2. Growth acceleration is noteworthy, but elevated valuations may leave limited room for disappointment. We roll forward to FY28E and raise TP to INR 260 (from INR 225) – maintain Accumulate. We value BPC at 45x EV/EBIDTA, Fashion at 4x price-to-sales.

## **Key Financials**

YE March (INR mn)	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Revenue (INR mn)	63,856	79,498	101,744	130,897	167,009
YoY (%)	24.1	24.5	28.0	28.7	27.6
EBITDA (INR mn)	3,462	4,739	7,046	11,127	14,953
EBITDA margin (%)	5.4	6.0	6.9	8.5	9.0
Adj PAT (INR mn)	397	721	2,354	5,493	8,202
YoY (%)	89.6	81.3	226.7	133.3	49.3
Fully DEPS (INR)	0.1	0.3	0.8	1.9	2.9
RoE (%)	3.0	5.5	16.1	29.6	32.3
RoCE (%)	6.4	9.7	16.3	28.2	32.2
P/E (x)	1,769.2	975.8	298.7	128.0	85.7
EV/EBITDA (x)	206.6	150.9	101.5	64.3	47.8

Note: Pricing as on 07 November 2025; Source: Company, Elara Securities Estimate

#### 8 November 2025

Rating: Accumulate
Target Price: INR 260
Upside: 6%
CMP: INR 246

As on 07 November 2025

Key data	
Bloomberg	nykaa in
Reuters Code	fsne.ns
Shares outstanding (mn)	2,862
Market cap (INR bn/USD mn)	704/7,935
EV (INR bn/USD mn)	715/8,064
ADTV 3M (INR mn/USD mn)	1,646/19
52 week high/low	268/155
Free float (%)	48

Note: as on 07 November 2025; Source: Bloomberg

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Shareholding (%)	Q3 FY25	Q4 FY25	Q1 FY26	Q2 FY26
Promoter	52.2	52.2	52.1	52.1
% Pledge	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
FII	9.2	8.9	11.6	12.5
DII	23.5	25.2	23.7	25.0
Others	15.1	13.7	12.6	10.4

Source: BSE

Price performance (%)	3M	6M	12M
Nifty	3.6	4.4	5.3
FSN E-Commerce Ventures	1 <i>7</i> .1	25.7	28.4
NSE Mid-cap	4.0	7.7	4.1
NSE Small-cap	1.6	10.8	(5.0)

Source: Bloomberg



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# Financials (YE March)

Income Statement (INR mn)	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Total Revenue	63,856	79,498	101,744	130,897	167,009
Gross Profit	27,392	34,772	45,641	58,844	75,133
EBITDA	3,462	4,739	7,046	11,127	14,953
EBIT	1,219	2,075	3,939	7,927	11,274
Interest expense	828	1,073	1,189	1,140	1,172
Other income	299	273	369	510	856
Exceptional/ Extra-ordinary items	-	-	-	-	-
PBT	690	1,275	3,119	7,297	10,958
Tax	253	538	749	1,788	2,739
Minority interest/Associates income	(40)	(16)	(16)	(16)	(16)
Reported PAT	397	721	2,354	5,493	8,202
Adjusted PAT	397	721	2,354	5,493	8,202

Balance Sheet (INR mn) FY24 FY25 FY26E FY27E FY28E Shareholders' Equity 12,622 13,013 15,367 20,860 29,063 Minority Interest 188 414 414 414 414 7,378 Trade Payables 3,867 6,348 9,081 11,327 Provisions & Other Current Liabilities 8,118 6,746 7,159 7,701 8,372 **Total Borrowings** 6,804 9,614 9,614 9,614 9,614 Other long term liabilities 2,407 2,707 2,517 2,785 3,661 **Total liabilities & equity** 34,006 39,795 61,574 42,639 50,186 Net Fixed Assets 3.462 4.075 4.168 4.168 3.689 975 975 975 Goodwill 611 975 Intangible assets 237 336 336 336 Business Investments / other NC assets 6,767 7,639 7,393 7,744 8,683 758 10,643 Cash, Bank Balances & treasury investments 1,249 3,327 6,208 11,920 14,175 15,331 18,648 23,793 Sundry Debtors 2,416 2,466 2,230 3,228 4,576 8.880 Other Current Assets 7.835 8.880 8.880 8.880 **Total Assets** 34,006 39,795 42,639 50,186 61,574 FY28E Cash Flow Statement (INR mn) FY24 FY25 FY26E FY27E **Cashflow from Operations** (310) 4,335 6,097 6,711 7,951 Capital expenditure (1,107)(1,272)(1,200)(1,200)(1,200)Acquisitions / divestitures Other Business cashflow 1,006 (782) (1,631)(1,490) (1,144)Free Cash Flow (411) 2,280 3,266 4,021 5,607 755 (1,789)(1,189)(1,140)(1.172)Cashflow from Financing Net Change in Cash / treasury investments 344 492 2,077 2,881 4,435 **Key assumptions & Ratios** FY24 FY25 FY26E FY27E FY28E Dividend per share (INR) Book value per share (INR) 4.4 4.5 7.3 10.2 9.7 RoCE (Pre-tax) (%) 6.4 16.3 28.2 32.2 ROIC (Pre-tax) (%) 42.4 10.2 18.0 33.9 6.6 ROE (%) 3.0 5.5 16.1 29.6 32.3 Asset Turnover (x) 19.0 21.1 24.7 31.4 42.5 0.5 0.4 0.2 0.0 Net Debt to Equity (x) 0.6 1.7 0.9 0.3 (0.1)1.8 Interest cover (x) (EBITDA/ int exp) 4.2 4.4 5.9 9.8 12.8 Total Working capital days (WC/rev) Valuation FY24 FY25 FY26E FY27E FY28E P/E (x) 1.769.2 975.8 298.7 128.0 85.7 11.0 8.9 4.2 P/Sales (x) 6.9

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We expect a revenue CAGR of 28.1% in FY25-28E.

EV/ EBITDA (x)

Price to BV (x)

EV/ OCF (x)

FCF Yield



**Exhibit 1: Quarterly performance** 

Consolidated (INR mn)	Q2FY26	Q2FY25	YoY (%)	Q1FY26	QoQ (%)	Elara Est.	Diff. (%)	Consensus	Diff. (%)
Revenue	23,460	18,747	25.1	21,549	8.9	23,084	1.6	23,401	0.3
EBITDA	1,588	1,037	53.1	1,415	12.2	1,551	2.4	1,588	(0.0)
EBITDA Margin	6.8	5.5	123 bps	6.6	20 bps	6.7	5 bps	6.8	-2 bps
Depreciation	799	636.2	25.6	761.4	4.9	770	3.8		
Interest Cost	315	242.3	29.9	301.6	4.3	305	3.2		
Other Income	80	54.5	47.3	93.3	(13.9)	95	(15.5)		
PBT	554	213.3	159.9	445.4	24.4	571	(2.9)		
Tax	224	78.2	186.4	192.4	16.4	228	(1.8)		
Effective tax rate (%)	40.4	36.7		43.2		39.9			
PAT	320	130	145.3	253	26.4	359	(10.9)	414	(22.7)
Adj. PAT	330	130	153.3	253	30.6	343	(3.7)		
Adj. EPS (INR)	0.11	0.05	145.3	0.09	26.4	0.12	(6.8)		

Source: Company, Bloomberg, Elara Securities Estimate

## BPC margin flat QoQ

In Q2, overall BPC GMV was up 27.6% YoY. The early onset of the festival season was reflected in key metrics. Quarterly UTC surged 29.9% YoY to 4.5mn, though AOV was flat in the same period. The implied core BPC growth for Q2 was likely 27.8% YoY (eB2B up 25.0% YoY, sharing  $\sim$ 8% of GMV). User growth was driven by elevated A&P spending. Profitability-wise, take rates (as a percentage of NSV) pared to 60.0% (down 115bps YoY), on higher discounts in the festival season. However gross margin was flat to 42.5% (up 137bps YoY), while EBITDAM was at 8.3% in Q2, broadly flat QoQ.

## Q2FY26 results highlights

- NYKAA's revenue grew 25.1% YoY (up 8.9% QoQ) to INR 23.4bn in Q2.
- ▶ Gross profit grew 28.3% YoY and 9.6% QoQ to INR 10.5bn and gross margin expanded by 111bps YoY and 30bps QoQ.
- EBITDA grew 53.1% YoY to INR 1.6bn in Q2. EBITDA margin rose 123bps YoY and 20bps QoQ to 6.8%. Net profit grew 145.3% YoY and 26.4% QoQ to INR 330mn.
- ▶ GMV of BPC grew 27.6% YoY to INR 35.5bn, with quarterly unique transacting customers up by 29.9% YoY to 4.5mn. The number of orders grew 21.7% YoY to 15.7mn in Q2. BPC's contribution margin (as a percentage of revenue) went down 50bps QoQ to 20.5% in Q2.
- ▶ GMV of the Fashion segment grew 36.7% YoY to INR 11.8bn and quarterly unique transacting customers rose to 0.9mn in Q2 (up 23.3% YoY). The number of orders in the Fashion segment was at 2.4mn, up 33.3% YoY. Contribution margin from the Fashion segment rosed 101bps YoY to 16.4%, due to lower advertisement expenses.

### Q2FY26 conference call: Takeaways

- NYKAA increased investments in customer acquisition during Q2FY26.
- ▶ The company conducted several engagement activities across colleges to enhance brand connect and target Gen-Z users.
- NYKAA operates 265 stores, all of which are tech-enabled to ensure faster deliveries.
- Approximately 70% of orders are delivered the next day, while the top seven cities enjoy 1-2 hour delivery timelines.
- NYKAA continues to focus on improving product discovery and enhancing the overall shopping experience.
- During Q2, NYKAA sold 70mn beauty products, with one in every three customers receiving a makeover at Nykaa stores.



#### House of Nykaa

- ▶ The *House of Nykaa* annualized GMV run rate reached INR 29bn, up 54% YoY, with over 16mn customers served to date.
- ▶ Beauty brands contributed 70% of this GMV, totaling INR 6.3bn, up 74% YoY.
- Online channels accounted for 57% of *House of Nykaa's* GMV.
- Dot & Key has become an INR 15bn brand, delivering high-teen EBITDA margins and achieving ~60% customer retention. It remains among the top skincare brands on the Nykaa platform.
- Nykaa Cosmetics reported an annualized GMV run rate of INR 4bn, with 20% of revenue coming from newly launched products.
- Kay Beauty achieved an annualized GMV run rate of INR 3.5bn.
- In the fashion vertical, *House of Nykaa* continues to focus on the lingerie segment under the *Nykd* brand, which delivers strong gross margins.

#### eB2B

- The number of transacting retailers increased 41% YoY to 332,000, while GMV grew 25% YoY, impacted by retailer purchase deferments ahead of GST 2.0 implementation.
- eB2B gross margin expanded 134bps YoY, and EBITDA margin improved 422bps YoY in Q2.
- Contribution margin contracted 62bps due to field force deployment.
- Around 40-50% of volumes were temporarily impacted by GST 2.0-related changes.

#### Nykaa Fashion

- ▶ The fashion segment delivered strong performance with GMV up 37% YoY to INR 12bn.
- Underlying business trends remained healthy, with customer visits increasing 30% YoY.

#### Others

- Fulfilment expenses in the beauty segment remained largely flat.
- NYKAA made incremental investments in performance and marketing, resulting in strong returns as reflected in new customer additions.
- ▶ The company invested INR 580mn in its own brands during the quarter.
- Net working capital stood at around 31 days.
- NYKAA highlighted its user funnel and marketplace strength as key competitive moats, providing confidence to scale growth across verticals.
- NYKAA continues to outperform the broader market, which itself is showing signs of recovery.
- Nykaa operates 53 rapid stores, enabling ultra-fast deliveries.
- Operating leverage is visible across key business segments, with each vertical showing improvement in operating profitability.
- ▶ The fashion business continues to strengthen with improving profitability.
- Management noted that India's beauty and personal care (BPC) penetration remains among the lowest globally, offering significant long-term growth opportunities.
- Regarding GST 2.0, management clarified that the changes primarily impacted personal products rather than beauty, resulting in a minimal impact (<1%) on NYKAA's core business. The deflationary effect from lower GST rates was also marginal.
- NYKAA expects BPC GMV momentum to sustain, supported by the Diwali-led surge in Q2 and further growth driven by the upcoming *Nykaa Land* event in Q3.
- Kay Beauty's UK debut has seen encouraging traction.





- The partnership with H&M is limited to online platform collaboration and does not include product sales through H&M's physical stores.
- Fragrance continues to be the fastest-growing category, driven by Gen-Z demand, and offers one of the highest product assortments across stores.
- The fragrance category is incremental and does not cannibalize the existing makeup segment. NYKAA continues to witness strong customer acquisition both online and offline.
- The fashion vertical is witnessing increased brand participation, supporting growth in marketing income.

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**Exhibit 2: Quarterly metrics** 

(INR mn)	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25	Q3FY25	Q4FY25	Q1FY26	Q2FY26
Overall GMV	29,438	36,179	32,172	33,209	36,525	45,279	41,020	41,820	47,440
YoY growth	25.5	29.4	31.6	24.5	24.1	25.2	27.5	25.9	29.9
BPC segment		·		<u> </u>					
BPC GMV (mn)	21,559	25,696	23,390	25,429	27,833	33,899	30,580	32,080	35,510
YoY growth (%)	32.3	35.1	43.6	27.7	29.1	31.9	30.7	26.2	27.6
BPC visits (mn)	286	311	303	330	357	401	393	441	450
YoY growth (%)	22.2	24.4	31.2	22.7	24.8	28.9	29.7	33.6	26.1
BPC Monthly Average Unique Visitors (mn)	29	30	32	33	34	38	38	39	42
YoY growth (%)	33.2	23.3	41.8	19.4	16.7	28.4	19.1	19.0	21.6
BPC Orders (mn)	10.4	11.6	11.7	12.4	12.9	15	14.2	14.5	15.7
YoY growth (%)	23.8	22.1	33.0	25.3	24.0	29.3	21.4	16.9	21.7
BPC AOV (INR)	1,992	2,121	1,898	1,924	2,038	2,127	1,978	2,009	2,049
YoY growth (%)	6.4	8.3	5.3	0.1	2.3	0.3	4.2	4.4	0.5
BPC Annual Unique Transacting Customers (mn)	11.3	11.7	11.7	13.1	13.7	14.8	15.8	16.5	17.8
YoY growth (%)	24.2	21.9	17.0	20.2	21.2	26.5	35.0	26.0	29.9
BPC no. of stores	165	174	187	200	210	221	237	250	265
YoY growth (%)	36.4	28.9	29.0	31.6	27.3	27.0	26.7	25.0	26.2
BPC owned brands contribution to BPC GMV	12.2%	13.3%	13.1%	13.4%	12.2%	13.8%	17.2%	18.0%	17.7%
BPC contribution margin	21.3%	19.2%	20.1%	20.3%	20.2%	19.4%	21.3%	21.0%	20.5%
BPC ad revenue	1,129	1,264	1,214	1,240	1,368	1,784	1,378	1,414	1,509
YoY growth (%)	11.9	11.3	28.0	43.7	21.2	41.1	13.5	14.0	10.3
Fashion segment									
Fashion GMV (mn)	7,872	10,465	8,760	7,741	8,633	11,299	10,370	9,640	1,180
YoY growth (%)	31.4	44.5	31.9	14.5	9.7	8.0	18.4	24.5	-86.3
Fashion visits (mn)	144	157	144	127	147	169	174	165	191
YoY growth (%)	18.0	14.6	13.4	0.8	2.1	7.6	20.8	29.9	29.9
Fashion Orders (mn)	1.8	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.8	2.1	2.1	2	2.4
YoY growth (%)	28.6	23.5	21.4	13.3	-	-	23.5	17.6	33.3
Fashion AOV (INR)	4,061	4,681	4,546	4,237	4,464	4,901	4,738	4,504	4,651
YoY growth (%)	3.1	18.2	6.6	4.4	9.9	4.7	4.2	6.3	4.2
Fashion Annual Unique Transacting Customers (mn)	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.7
YoY growth (%)	33.3	20.8	20.0	19.2	7.1	6.9	6.7	9.7	23.3
Fashion owned brands contribution to Fashion GMV	13%	12%	13%	12%	13%	11%	11%	10%	81%
Fashion contribution margin	9%	12%	14%	17%	15%	15%	6%	13%	16%
Source: Company, Elara Securities Research	770	12/0	1470	1//0	1370	1370	070	1370	1070

Source: Company, Elara Securities Research



## **Exhibit 3: Valuation**

INR mn	FY28E
BPC Segment	
EBITDA	14,841
Multiple (x)	45
EV	6,75,110
Fashion Segment	
Sales	13,524
Multiple (x)	4
EV	60,721
Total EV	7,35,831
Cash	11,565
Debt	9,614
Equity Value	7,37,783
No. of shares	2,860
TP (INR)	260
CMP (INR)	246
Upside (%)	6
Source: Elara Securities Estimate	

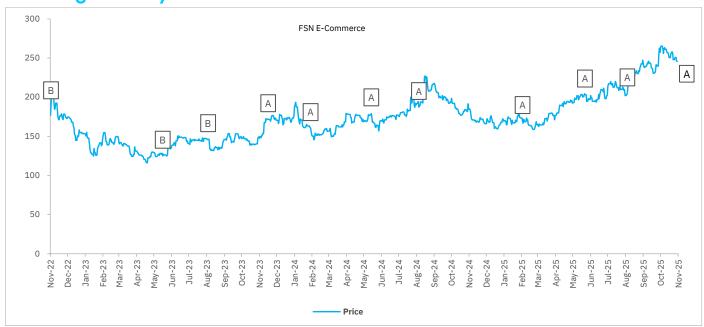
Exhibit 4: Changes in estimates

(INR mn)	0	ld estimates	i	Rev	ised estimat	es	С	hange (%)	
	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Revenue	1,01,905	1,32,868	1,71,683	1,01,744	1,30,897	1,67,009	(0.2)	(1.5)	(2.7)
EBITDA	7,626	11,071	14,741	7,046	11,127	14,953	(7.6)	0.5	1.4
EBITDA Margin (%)	7.5	8.3	8.6	6.9	8.5	9.0			
PAT	2,825	5,480	8,065	2,354	5,493	8,202	(16.7)	0.2	1.7
EPS (INR)	1.0	1.9	2.8	0.8	1.9	2.9	(16.7)	0.2	1.7
TP (INR)		225			260			15.6	

Source: Elara Securities Estimate



# **Coverage History**



Date	Rating	Target Price (INR)	Closing Price (INR)
10-Nov-2022	Buy	239	188
24-May-2023	Buy	210	125
11-Aug-2023	Buy	200	146
24-Nov-2023	Accumulate	200	172
06-Feb-2024	Accumulate	185	160
22-May-2024	Accumulate	195	179
13-Aug-2024	Accumulate	210	187
10-Feb-2025	Accumulate	195	169
30-May-2025	Accumulate	215	203
12-Aug-2025	Accumulate	225	205
07-Nov-2025	Accumulate	260	246

# **Guide to Research Rating**

BUY (B)	Absolute Return >+20%
ACCUMULATE (A)	Absolute Return +5% to +20%
REDUCE (R)	Absolute Return -5% to +5%
SELL (S)	Absolute Return < -5%



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