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## 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023 Mold-Tek Technologies – BUY

### **Investment Thesis**

- Claiming to be an established business in mechanical engineering services (MES), Mold-Tek Technologies Ltd. (Mold-Tek) Tier-1 clients for niche gasoline & electric vehicle (EV) and, body in white (BIW) services are increasing. A small percent of revenue also comes from the power and utilities business, where it does transmission tower design. The narrative is similar for the civil engineering services (CES), where it does detailing and connection designing in USA for skyscrapers and warehouses.
- Mold-Tek has Amazon among its clientele in CES. In MES, it has FFT PRODUKTIONSSYSTEME GMBH (FFT) and VDL Groep (VDL) among its clientele, where it does designing work on robots used by car manufacturing companies. It is among the first companies to do BIW works for EV manufacturer Tesla in 2018.
- In MES, it recently entered into press tools designing & drafting services and wire harnesses business and expects those to emerge as a new segment of business and revenue. In the civil engineering business, it is finding traction in warehouses, data centers, and high-rise buildings. It also caters to special purpose machines (SPM), bus bodybuilding, and wishes to enter embedded electronics business.
- It has an order book of \$4.1 million in CES and around \$1.1 million (up 500% YoY) in MES as of August 2023. Invoicing in MES is expected to pick up from Q2FY24. Last financial year, it executed \$13 million worth of orders in CES.
- It is looking to acquire at least one small structural designing and architectural firm in the USA having revenue of less than US\$10mn by the end of calendar year 2023.

#### Financials

- Mold-Tek's revenues increased at a CAGR of 7.80% over four years. Operating and net profit have increased at a CAGR of 16% and 21.40%, respectively, over the same period.
- CES contributed 80% (up 25.5% YoY) whereas MES contributed 20% (up 124% YoY) to FY23 revenues.

Particulars	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E
Revenue (Rs in Crs)	101	83	98	147	185
EBITDA (Rs in Crs)	20	15	20	42	58
Adj. PAT (Rs in Crs)	11	10	13	29	37.8
Adj. EPS (Rs.)	3.8	3.5	4.7	10.3	13.3
PE Multiple (x)	9.1	11.4	17.1	23.5	32
RoE (%)	20.9	16.3	18.3	28.2	26.8

CMP: Rs. 340.0Target Price: Rs. 430.0Upside: 26%Stop Loss: Rs. 306.0 (Closing basis)

Stock Data	
Market Cap (Rs. Crs)	965.0
Market Cap (\$ Mn)	115.9
Shares O/S (in Mn)	28.39
Avg. Volume (3 month)	2,17,357
52-Week Range (Rs.)	399 / 88

### **Shareholding Pattern**

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Promoters	48.90 %
FIIs	0.21 %
Institutions	0.61 %
Others (incl. body corporate)	50.28 %

Key Ratios	
Div Yield	0.95%
TTM PE	31.4x
ROE	33.2 %
TTM EPS (Rs.)	11.5 /-

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- A significant increase in demand and improved capacity utilization in MES are responsible for the 94.4% YoY growth in EBITDA in FY23. The EBIDTA margin increased significantly from 23% to 30% during the same time period.
- In Q1FY24, Mold-Tek reported revenue and net profit of Rs.26.68Crs and Rs.6.68Crs, up 27% YoY and 102% YoY, respectively. The excellent quarterly performance was on the back of robust growth in both CES and MES divisions. It has maintained its revenue mix at 80%:20% from CES and MES divisions.
- It acquired two American detailing firms Crossroads Detailing Inc., Farmersburg, Indiana and RMM Global, Inc. State of Indiana.

### **Key Business Highlights**

- Mold-Tek is a civil and mechanical design engineering services firm catering to major North American and European clients. It is part of USD500mn Mold-Tek Group; which also owns Mold-Tek Packaging.
- It is lead by professionals with vast experience in engineering and project management
- Headquartered in Hyderabad, its delivery centres are located in Hyderabad, Chennai, Vijayawada, Nasik, and Pune with sales offices in Georgia, USA and France & Germany, Europe. Its core expertise is in automotive, poles & towers, oil & gas, petrochemicals, industrial, precast and aerospace domains.
- It specilizes in designing and detailing of structural steel, miscellaneous metals, building information modelling (BIM) services, in-house connection design and pre-engineered metal buildings design and detailing services to steel fabricators, architects and general contractors.
- In the USA, it is not into residential, but into commercial and industrial buildings including airports, stadiums, multistoried high-rise buildings, warehouses, etc.
- Revenue mix in future quarters is expected to be similar. Management has a target to achive an EBITDA of Rs.55-60Crs in FY24, which is quite ambitious.

## Valuation

According to the management, CES is expected to grow atleast 25% and MES is expected to grow 30% in FY24. Hence, it can report a revenue of Rs.185Crs for the whole of FY24 as compared to Rs.98Crs in FY23. Assuming a profit after tax (PAT) margin of 20% and a P/E of 32x, the expected market capitalization comes to Rs.1,220Crs.

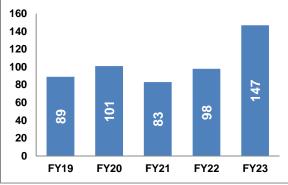
Therefore, in light of above, we ascribe a **BUY** rating to Mold-Tek Technologies Ltd. (Mold-Tek) with a target price of Rs. 430, translating to an upside of ~26%.

### **Risk & Concern**

- Mold-Tek may face difficulties as a result of unfavorable currency movements due to its high export revenue.
- The mobilization of the workforce, the company's profitability, and its growth may be impacted by the increasing protectionist measures imposed by some economies, changes in immigration laws, or any local regulations that result in an increase in H-1B visa denials.
- High attrition rates of employees
- It may face direct and indirect competition from Tata Technologies and AXISCADES Technologies.

**Graphs & Charts** 

Figure 1: Net Sales Trend (Rs. in Crs)

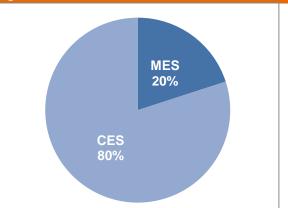


#### Figure 2: EBITDA & EBITDA margin trend





Figure 4:Vertical-wise Revenue (FY23)



#### Figure 3: PAT & PAT margin trend

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