

May 22, 2024

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Scrip code: 532531

**The National Stock Exchange of India Limited** Exchange Plaza, Bandra-Kurla Complex Bandra (E) Mumbai - 400 051

Scrip code: STAR

Dear Madam/ Sir,

#### Sub: Press Release

Please find enclosed herewith Press Release (along with Earnings presentation) issued by the Company titled:

#### "Strides reports best-ever full-year performance for FY24 Strides declares a final dividend of ₹2.5 per share"

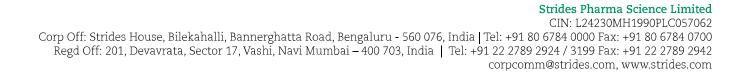
The meeting commenced at 11:30 hrs IST and concluded at 13:30 hrs IST.

This is for your information and records.

Thanks & Regards, For **Strides Pharma Science Limited**,

Manjula Ramamurthy Company Secretary ICSI Membership No.: A30515

Encl. As above





### Strides reports best-ever full-year performance for FY24 Strides declares a final dividend of ₹2.5 per share

### FY2024 Performance Highlights

- Highest ever full-year Revenue of ₹40,555 million in FY24, up 14.4% YoY
- Highest ever full-year EBITDA of ₹7,477 million in FY24, up 77.6% YoY
- **US business achieved top end of \$250 million revenue outlook for FY24, grew by 11.8% YoY**
- Net Debt reduced by ₹3,131 million in FY24
- Net Debt to EBITDA improved to 2.72x in FY24

#### Q4FY2024 Performance Highlights

- Highest ever quarterly Revenue of ₹10,583 million
- Gross Margin returned to a historic high of 60.7% in Q4FY24
- Highest ever quarterly EBITDA of ₹2,040 million

#### **OneSource Update**

- Incumbent Biologics business recorded positive EBITDA for the first time in Q4FY24, net of one-time expenses
- Delivered on-track FY24 EBITDA performance for Strides SGC and Steriscience businesses proposed to merge into OneSource
- Received "No objection" from Stock Exchanges (NSE and BSE) on 21<sup>st</sup> May'24 for OneSource listing; Filing with NCLT to be completed in Q1FY25

**Bangalore, India, May 22, 2024** - Strides Pharma Science Ltd (*BSE: 532531, NSE: STAR*) today announced its consolidated financial results for the quarter (Q4FY24) and Full Year (FY24) ended March 31, 2024.

Particulars	Q4FY24	Q3FY24	QoQ	Q4FY23	YoY	FY24	FY23*	YoY
Revenues	10,583	10,389	1.9%	9,904	6.9%	40,555	35,458	14.4%
Gross Margin	6,421	6,176	4.0%	5,897	8.9%	24,150	20,246	19.3%
Gross Margin %	60.7%	59.5%	122bps	59.5%	113bps	59.5%	57.1%	245bps
EBITDA	2,040	1,950	4.6%	1,596	27.8%	7,477	4,210	77.6%
EBITDA %	19.3%	18.8%	51bps	16.1%	316bps	18.4%	11.9%	656bps

#### Financial Highlights (In ₹ m)

<sup>1</sup> Adjusted PAT = PAT from continuing operations without JV share and exceptional items (net-off taxes)

\* FY23 numbers are excluding de-consolidated UCL

**Arun Kumar, Founder, Executive Chairperson & Managing Director,** commented on the performance and said, *"FY24 was an exceptional year for Strides, marked by the successful completion of our Reset strategy initiated in FY22. The company achieved all its key objectives laid down in our Reset strategy and has bounced back to become a strong and resilient company.* 

As a result of our focus on consistent growth and cost containment, FY24 concluded as the best year in the Company's history in terms of both Revenue and absolute EBITDA.

With today's leadership announcement, we have introduced a well-structured succession and leadership development program, guided by the Board. I am confident that the strong internal talent we have developed over the years will ensure the company's continued long-term growth.

In the near term, we will continue to focus on operating cash flows while investing in growth to ensure that the efforts of our Reset are balanced by an improved revenue CAGR, in the coming years.

Our ESG efforts have started to yield results, with our EcoVadis rating improving from 30 to 44 during the first year of review. We will continue to intensify our efforts to become a more sustainable and responsible company".

### Detailed investor communication on the performance of the Company is attached.

### **About Strides**

Strides, a global pharmaceutical company headquartered in Bengaluru, India, is listed on the BSE Limited (532531) and National Stock Exchange of India Limited (STAR). The Company mainly operates in the regulated markets and has an "in Africa for Africa" strategy and an institutional business to service donor-funded markets. The Company's global manufacturing sites are located in India (Chennai, Puducherry, and two locations in Bengaluru), Italy (Milan), Kenya (Nairobi), and the United States (New York). The Company focuses on "difficult to manufacture" products sold in over 100 countries. Additional information is available at the Company's website at <u>www.strides.com.</u>

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# Delivering with Momentum

Q4 & FY24 Results | May 22, 2024

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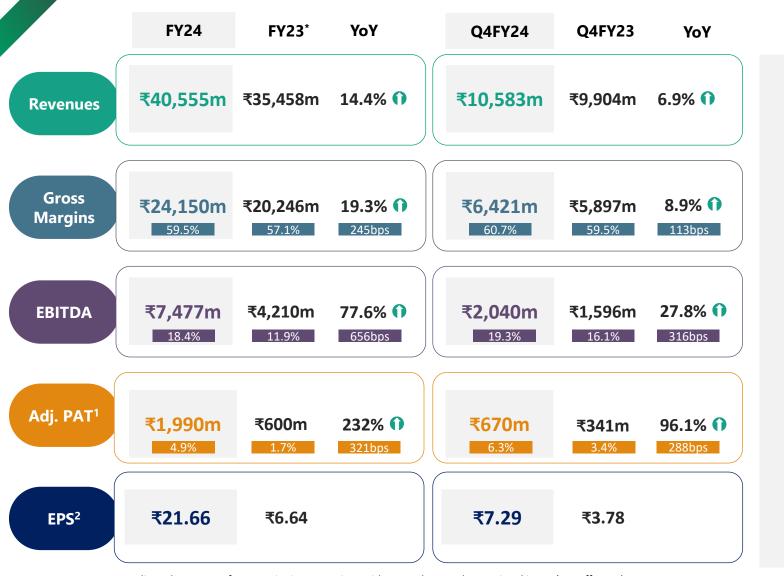
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### **Best Full-year and Quarterly Performance**



1 Adjusted PAT = PAT from continuing operations without JV share and exceptional items (net-off taxes) 2 EPS on Adjusted PAT

\* FY23 numbers are excluding de-consolidated UCL (of Rev/GM/EBITDA/Adj. PAT of ₹ 1,584m/₹ 527m/₹ 250m/₹ 114m)



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### **Arun Kumar**

Founder, Executive Chairperson & Managing Director



### **FY24 Performance Highlights**

Strides declares final dividend of ₹2.5 per share for the year FY24



FY24 OUTLOOK		FY24 ACHIEVEMENTS		COMMENTS	
CONTINUING BUSINESS REVENUES TO GROW AT 15% YOY	$\checkmark$	FY24 REVENUES AT ₹40,555M, GREW BY 14.4% YoY*	growth • Q4FY24	ed highest-ever full-year revenue in FY24 driven by in the US and Other Regulated Markets revenue growth was driven by the US markets and markets	
AIMING FOR AN EBITDA OF ₹7,000M – ₹7,500M	~	FY24 EBITDA AT ₹7,477M, ACHIEVING HIGHER END OF THE OUTLOOK		perating costs led by cost control measures and cturing efficiencies enabled superior EBITDA margin on	
NET DEBT TO EBITDA < 3x	~	NET DEBT TO EBITDA 2.72x AS OF MARCH'24		bt reduced by ₹ 3,131 m in FY24 bt at ₹ 20,350 m as of Mar'24	
EMPHASIS ON MANUFACTURING NETWORK OPTIMIZATION	~	NETWORK OPTIMIZATION CONCLUDED	manuf	sizing of network optimization achieved across all our facturing infrastructure and further augmented by the Singapore facility	

\* YoY growth on continuing business i.e. excluding UCL



#### **Revenue Break-up - Revenues Grew in Line with the Outlook** Strides 8 US achieves revenue of \$250m in FY24; Other Regulated Markets delivered a strong 19.9% YoY growth in ₹ terms Revenue in \$M XX xx% YoY change Growth and Access Markets Other Regulated Markets (ORM) Total Revenue (₹/\$M) US (₹/\$M) **Revenue Mix** (₹/\$M)\* (₹/\$M) US US ORM Growth Market Access Market Growth Market Access Market \$447 \$491 \$232 \$81 \$87 \$250 \$134 \$154 14.4% 11.8% → 19.9% 12.5% → ₹7,174 ₹6,378 7% ₹4,186 ₹ 3,256 51% 32%

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FY24

₹ 2,987

FY24

3,123

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FY23

₹ 10,632

FY23

\*FY23 Growth Markets Excl. UCL numbers

₹ 40,555

FY24

₹ 18,447

FY23

₹ 20,632

FY24

₹ 35,458

FY23

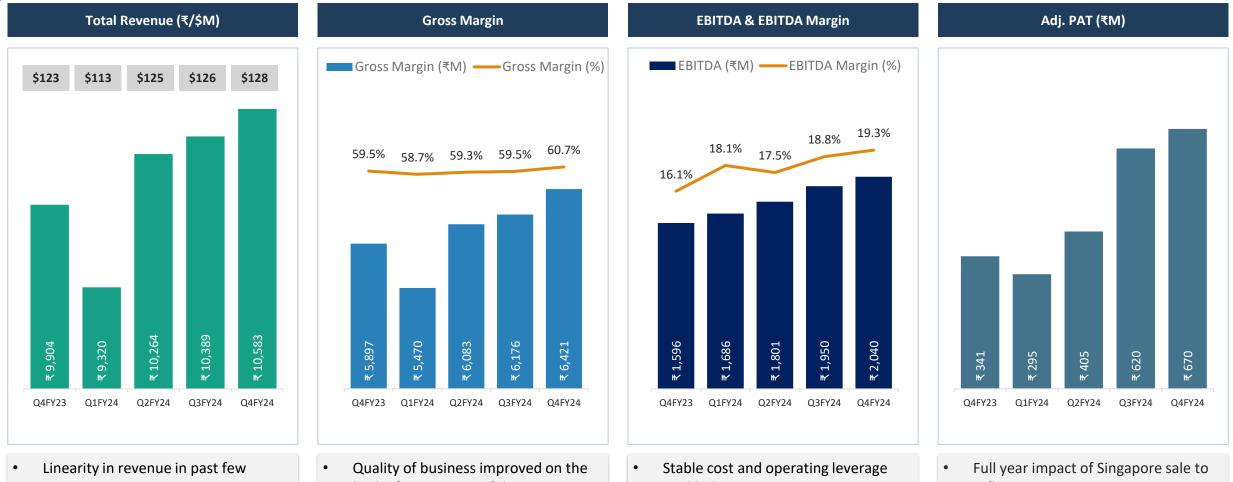
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### **Consistent and Linear Improvement in Key Financial Metrics**

### Stable and sustainable margins

Revenue in \$M XX

**Strides** 



- quarters
- Further incremental growth to come in H2FY25
- back of superior portfolio mix
- Gross Margin consistently improved • and returned to historic highs
- enabled EBITDA Margin improvement
- reflect in EPS next year





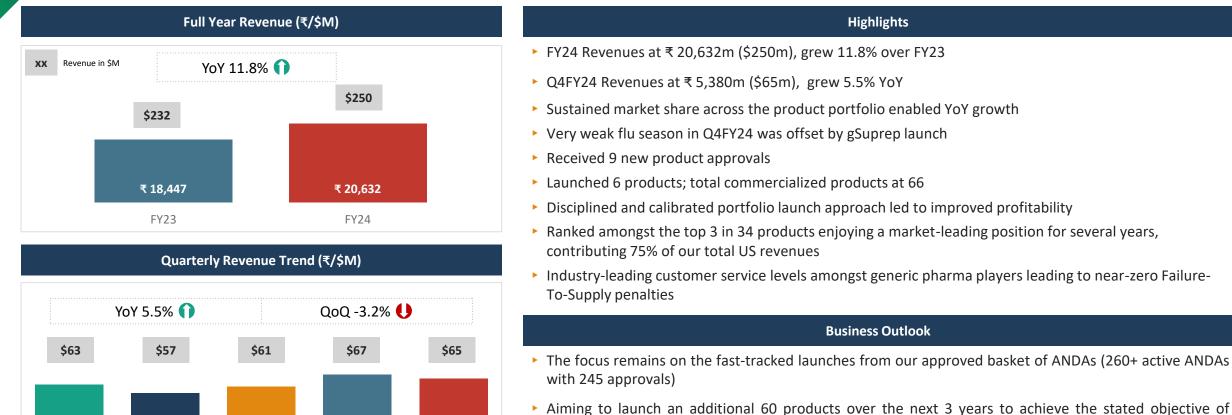
# **US Market**

The US remains a key market for Strides, Having achieved the higher end of the FY24 revenue outlook of \$250m, we are well poised to achieve the ~\$400m objective over the next 3 years



### US Business Achieved Top-end of \$250m Revenue Outlook, Grew by 11.8% YoY

Incremental growth to be visible in H2FY25



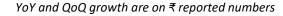
₹ 5.380

Q4FY24

\$400m revenue

Strides

- Investment in new segments as part of a long-term strategy to grow beyond \$400m; entry into the nasal spray and 505 (b)(2)
- Aiming for first filing from the new segment in the next 12-15 months



₹ 4,699

Q1FY24

₹ 4,993

Q2FY24

₹ 5,560

Q3FY24

₹ 5,097

Q4FY23



# **Other Regulated Markets**

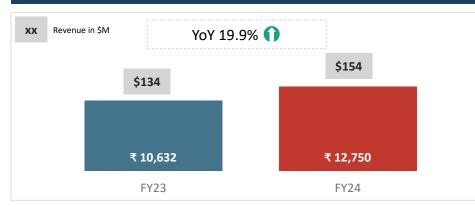
Portfolio maximization and increased focus on B2B partnerships will continue to drive growth



# Other Regulated Markets - FY24 Revenues at \$154m, Grew by 19.9% YoY



### Full Year Revenue (₹/\$M)

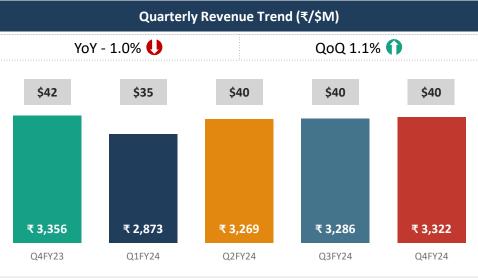


#### Highlights

- All regulated markets ex-US form part of the Other Regulated Markets
- FY24 Revenues at ₹12,750m (\$154m), grew 19.9% YoY
- ► Q4FY24 Revenues at ₹3,322m (\$40m)
- Robust demand for key products coupled with new long-term supply contracts, has significantly propelled growth within the EU market
- Strong customer advocacy and dependable supply enabled us to expand our customer base

#### **Business Outlook**

- Expansion of product portfolio and new customer acquisitions to drive growth
- Conversion of the existing strong funnel of new opportunities to deliver growth
- Continued momentum in filings and approvals to fast-track growth
- New product approvals in key markets to drive growth in H2FY25





YoY and QoQ growth are on ₹ reported numbers



# **Growth and Access Markets**

Growth Markets positioned for strong growth via geographical expansion & new products

### **Growth Markets and Access Markets FY24 Revenues at \$87m**



Growth Market grew 29% YoY; Muted growth in Access Markets



#### **Growth Markets**

- Growth Markets includes Africa operations and new geographies of LATAM, MENA, CIS, APAC
- FY24 Revenues at ₹4,186m (\$51m) and Q4FY24 Revenues at ₹ 1,238m (\$15m)

#### **Business Outlook :**

- Focus on portfolio maximization strategies and astute channel partner expansion will drive the future growth in Growth Markets
- New filings to aid Growth Market to grow better than company average

#### Access Market

- FY24 Revenue at ₹2,987m (\$36m) and Q4FY24 Revenue at ₹644m (\$8m)
- Continued focus on CIPs with vendors to reduce costs and enhance competitiveness
- Contribution to overall Revenues continues to be small

#### **Business Outlook :**

- Global Funds allocation was muted in FY24. However, Strides received a higher allocation in FY25 on the back of superior DIFOT (Delivery In Full On Time)
- Access Markets Revenues continue to be lumpy Q-o-Q

\*Excl. UCL numbers YoY and QoQ growth are on ₹ reported numbers





# **Financial Performance**

Strong Financial discipline enabled profitability and cash flow generation

### Profit & Loss Account – Q4 & FY24



			Income	statement (₹m)					
Particulars	Q4 FY24	Q3 FY24	QoQ	Q4 FY23	ΥοΥ	FY24	FY23 Restated*	YoY	FY23 Reported
I. Revenue	10,583	10,389	1.9%	9,904	6.9%	40,555	35,458	14.4%	37,042
II. Material Costs	4,162	4,212		4,007		16,405	15,212		16,269
III. Gross Margin (I- II)	6,421	6,176	4.0%	5,897	8.9%	24,150	20,246	19.3%	20,773
Gross Margin %	60.7%	59.5%	122 bps	59.5%	113 bps	59.5%	57.1%	245 bps	56.1%
a. Personnel Cost	1,992	1,845		1,757		7,511	7,195		7,320
b. Other Opex	2,389	2,381		2,545		9,162	8,841		8,993
IV. Total Opex (a+b)	4,381	4,226		4,301		16,674	16,037		16,313
V. EBITDA (III-IV)	2,040	1,950	4.6%	1,596	27.8%	7,477	4,210	77.6%	4,460
EBITDA Margin %	19.3%	18.8%	51 bps	16.1%	316 bps	18.4%	11.9%	656 bps	12.0%
c. Depreciation and amortisation	498	512		609		2,207	2,392		2,433
d. Net Finance Cost	680	717		574		2,791	1,814		1,866
e. Exceptional items – net (gain) / loss	81	101		73		1,890	119		170
f. JV share of loss	486	520		406		1,757	2,853		2,853
VI. Profit/ (loss) before tax (V-c-d-e-f)	296	100	195.9%	-67		-1,169	-2,968		-2,862
g. Tax	193	101		71		316	-596		-553
VII. Profit/(loss) after tax from continuing operations	104	-1		-138		-1,485	-2,372		-2,309
h. Profit from Discontinued Operations	1	541		0		542	186		186
VIII. Profit / (loss) for the period (VII+h)	104	541		-138		-943	-2,186		-2,123

Reconciliation of EBITDA (₹m)							
Particulars	Q4FY24	Q3FY24	Q4 FY23	FY24	FY23 Restated*	FY23 Reported	
Profit before exceptional items & tax	863	721	412	2,478	4	161	
Less: Finance income	122	76	231	353	745	745	
Add : Depreciation and Amortization	498	512	609	2,207	2,392	2,433	
Add : Finance costs	802	793	805	3,144	2,559	2,611	
Consolidated EBITDA as per press note	2,040	1,950	1,596	7,477	4,210	4,460	

\* FY23 restated numbers are excluding de-consolidated UCL

### Net Debt reduced by ₹3,131m in FY24, Net Debt at ₹20,350m



Current Net Debt to EBITDA stands at 2.72x – Ahead of the outlook of <3x

Particulars (In ₹m)	Mar'23	Mar'24
Working Capital Loans	14,473	15,742
Long Term Loans	7,617	4,727
US Long Term Revolver Facility*	4,507	3,676
Gross Debt	26,596	24,145
Cash and Cash Equivalents**	-3,115	-3,795
Net Debt	23,481	20,350

\* Long-term revolver is asset-based financing backed purely by local assets, mainly US receivables with no recourse to Indian operations

\*\* Cash and cash equivalents ₹ 3,795m consists of cash balance ₹ 1,610m , deferred consideration receivable ₹ 742m and deposits of ₹ 1,443m

Finance cost (In ₹m)	FY23	FY24
Interest Cost on Borrowings (A)	1,977	2,544
Other Finance Charges (B)	634	601
Finance Income (C)	805	353
Net Finance Cost (A+B-C)	1,807	2,791

- The increase in the interest cost for FY24 is due to interest rate increases compared to FY23 and a one-off Finance income in FY23
- Majority of the year's debt reduction was completed in Q4FY24 and the benefit of interest cost savings to flow in FY25
- Credit rating "Ratings reaffirmed; Outlook revised to Stable" received in Q4FY24
- Efficient working capital cycle enabled operating cash generation
- Strong operating cash flow generation of ₹7,011m post-tax enabled us to reduce debt by ₹3,131m, and fund capex of ₹1,182m
- Cash to Cash cycle improved from 140 days in FY23 to 129 days in FY24

Ou	tlook for FY25
	Aiming for Net Debt reduction of ₹5,000m (including debt pushdown of ~₹2,800m to OneSource)
	Free cash generation to enable Net Debt to EBITDA ratio to <2x by FY25
	Continuing Capex of ₹1,500m - ₹2,000m

### **Key Balance Sheet Ratios**





# ROCE Exit runrate basis Q4FY24



### **Balance Sheet**



### Strong Governance and Corporate Actions improved the Balance Sheet position

Particulars	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-24
Assets		
Net Tangible Assets (including CWIP)	12,006	8,809
Right-of-use assets	1,846	895
Goodwill and Other Intangibles	10,769	10,565
Investments	4,390	1,969
Other Non-current Assets	674	2,659
Tax assets	4,267	3,809
Inventories	11,465	11,262
Cash and bank balances (including Current investments)	3,668	2,969
Trade receivables	12,994	11,419
Other current assets	4,306	4,040
Total Assets	66,384	58,398
Liabilities		
Equity	22,123	21,256
Non-controlling interest	-394	-539
Equity	21,729	20,717
Borrowings	27,745	24,145
Lease liabilities	2,551	1,023
Tax liabilities	713	808
Other non-current liabilities	139	137
Provisions	1,959	1,632
Trade payables	9,823	8,516
Other current liabilities	1,725	1,420
Total Equity and Liabilities	66,384	58,398

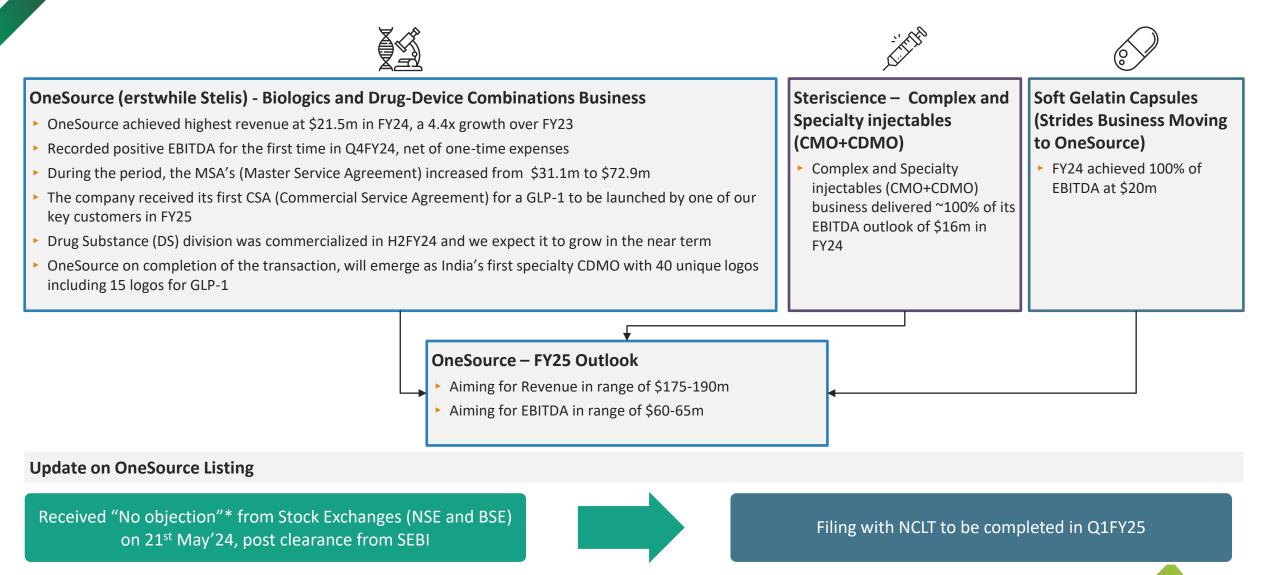


# OneSource

Strong performance in Q4



### **OneSource (formerly known as Stelis BioPharma Limited) - Update Strides**





# Update on Board and Management changes

### **Current Board of Directors**





Arun Kumar Executive Chairperson & Managing Director



S. Sridhar Independent Director *Retiring on 30th July 2024* 



Bharat. D. Shah Independent Director *Retiring on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024* 



Homi Rustam Khusrokhan Independent Director



Dr. Kausalya Santhanam Independent Director



Ameet Hariani Independent Director (wef 1<sup>st</sup> Feb'24)



**Badree Komandur** Executive Director & Group Chief Financial Officer

### Strengthening the Diversification of Board and Succession Planning (wef 1st June'24)



### **New Board Members**

### **Independent Director**



### **Subir Chakraborty**

**Qualification:** Mechanical Engineer from IIT Madras and PGDM from IIM Calcutta

#### Expertise:

- ✓ 4 decades of experience in reputed organisations such as Berger Paints , Balmer Lawrie and Exide Industries
- Board member of Exide Industries from 2013 onwards prior to becoming a Managing Director & CEO in 2021
- ✓ Extensive experience in the field of ESG and Sustainability
- ✓ Recipient of several awards and accolades, including the India energy storage alliance (IESA) IN May 2023
- ✓ Guest faculty at reputed management Institutions

### **Executive Director**

### Aditya Kumar

Qualification: Bachelor of Science from Newcastle University, Master of Research in Biophysics from Kings College, London. Expertise:

- ✓ Aditya started his career with Strides in 2013 as management trainee and since then held multiple functions prior to becoming the head of Business development
- He is currently responsible for growing the partnered Business across regulated and growth markets



### Arun Kumar Designation: Executive Chairman



### Badree Komandur Designation: Managing Director and Group CEO

### New KMP

Change in Role

### **Vikesh Kumar**

**Designation: Group Chief Financial Officer Qualification:** PGDM (Finance) from SP Jain Institute of Management & Research, Mumbai

### Expertise:

- ✓ Vikesh joined Strides in 2009 as a management trainee and since then, held multiple positions in the finance function over the years and has contributed significantly to the turnaround of Strides in the last few years
- ✓ As the CFO for the Front End businesses, he has been instrumental in driving the reset strategy focusing on building profitable, sustainable cash generating operations. He has extensive experience in Business Finance, M&A, Treasury, Forex Management, Fund Raising, Governance and Investor Relations





# FY25 Outlook

### **Outlook for FY25**



PARAMETERS	FY25 OUTLOOK	COMMENTS
REVENUE	CONTINUING BUSINESS REVENUE TO GROW AT 12-15% YoY	SIGNIFICANT GROWTH TO COME IN H2FY25 BASED ON TARGETED PRODUCT LAUNCHES GLOBALLY
EBITDA MARGIN	AIMING FOR AN EBITDA OF ₹9,500M – ₹10,000M	EBITDA MARGIN TO BE IN THE RANGE OF 20%- 22%
NET DEBT TO EBITDA	NET DEBT TO EBITDA <2.0x AS OF MARCH'25	EFFICIENT WORKING CAPITAL CYCLE AND OPERATING CASHFLOW TO AID DEBT REDUCTION
US Business	US REVENUE TO BE IN RANGE OF \$285- \$300M	AIM TO ACHIEVE \$400M IN THE NEXT 3 YEARS

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### **Q4 & FY24 Earnings Call Details**





*invites you to interact with the senior management on Q4 & FY24 Performance* 

> **May 22, 2024** 3:30pm IST / 11:00am BST / 6:00am EDT / 6:00pm HKT

Participants from the Management would be:

Arun Kumar Founder, Executive Chairperson & Managing Director Badree Komandur Executive Director & Group CFO



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