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# **Key Business Updates Q1FY25**

# **Key Highlights – Q1FY25**





#### **Industry Updates:**

- > The Indian Shrimp industry which has been facing challenges led by subdued demand from key markets such as the USA, was further exacerbated by the imposition of Countervailing Duties (CVD) by the USA, and the ongoing geopolitical tensions led sea transportation issues (lack of container availability and increased freight costs)
- > European Union (EU) market continued to remain robust
- Global Shrimp prices are improving, albeit, gradually
- > The Indian Union Budget 2024 announced certain positive measures for the sector such as financial support for developing import substitution of Broodstock, project financing by NABARD, and lowering custom duties on certain inputs related to the Shrimp Industry, which is likely to reduce cost of production at farm level.



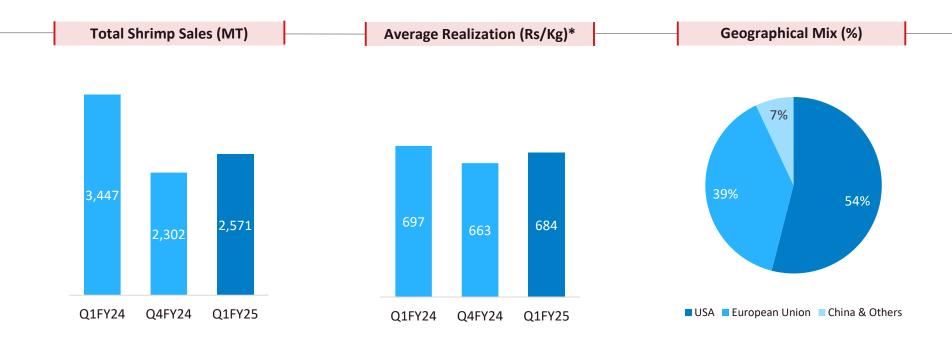
#### **Company Updates:**

- > Shrimp sales stood at 2,571 MT in Q1FY25, with higher share of EU sales at ~39% versus ~17% in Q1FY24
- > Average Realization\* at Rs 684 per Kg in Q1FY25, grew 3% QoQ in-line with global price improvement
- > EBITDA margin at 6% improved YoY and QoQ. Profit After Tax at Rs 38 Mn, grew 4% YoY and from a loss of Rs 4 Mn QoQ

<sup>\*</sup>Average sales realization = Net Revenue (excluding export incentives) / Total Shrimp Volumes sold

# **Operational Highlights – Q1FY25**





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# **Profit & Loss Highlights – Q1FY25**



Particulars (Rs Mn)	Q1FY25	Q1FY24	Y-o-Y %	Q4FY24	Q-o-Q %	FY24
Net Revenue	1,860	2,538		1,616		8,041
Other Income	4	2		15		32
Total Income	1,864	2,540	-27%	1,631	14%	8,073
Raw Material Cost	1,273	1,816		1,155		5,627
Employee Expenses	112	125		136		545
Other Expenses	368	468		312		1,456
EBITDA	111	131	-15%	28	290%	444
EBITDA Margin (%)	5.9%	5.1%		1.7%		5.5%
Depreciation & Amortisation	37	52		9		148
Finance Cost	23	28		24		101
Profit Before Tax	50	51	-1%	-5	-1127%	196
Tax Expenses	12	15		-1		50
Profit After Tax	38	36	4%	-4	-1156%	146

Net Revenue includes export benefits of Rs 101 Mn for Q1FY25, Rs 135 Mn for Q1FY24, Rs 91 Mn for Q4FY24 and Rs 433 Mn for FY24

# **Profit & Loss - Annual**



Particulars (Rs Mn)	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
Net Revenue	8,185	9,262	10,703	8,041
Other Income	75	57	17	32
Total Income	8,260	9,319	10,720	8,073
Raw Material Cost	5,531	6,150	7,419	5,627
Employee Expenses	398	430	460	545
Other Expenses	1,346	1,818	1,993	1,456
EBITDA	985	921	848	444
EBITDA Margin (%)	11.9%	9.9%	7.9%	5.5%
Depreciation & Amortisation	219	185	194	148
Finance Cost	159	174	147	101
Profit Before Tax	606	562	506	196
Tax Expenses	163	151	148	50
Profit After Tax	443	411	359	146

# **Balance Sheet Highlights**



Liabilities (Rs Mn)	Mar-21	Mar-22	Mar-23	Mar-24
Shareholder's Funds	4,398	4,684	4,900	4,971
Share Capital	313	313	313	313
Reserves & Surplus	4,086	4,372	4,587	4,658
Non-current Liabilities	281	348	101	157
Long Term Borrowings	281	291	28	74
Other Non-current Liabilities	0	0	9	0
Deferred Tax Liabilities	0	57	64	83
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	1,889	1,745	1,139	1,206
Short Term Borrowings	1,380	1,377	878	995
Trade Payables	300	209	155	103
Other Current Liabilities	18	55	84	83
Short Term Provisions	135	79	10	25
Current Tax Liability	56	25	13	0
Total Liabilities	6,568	6,777	6,140	6,333

Assets (Rs Mn)	Mar-21	Mar-22	Mar-23	Mar-24
Non-current Assets	2,708	2,656	2,803	2,708
Net Block	2,504	2,360	2,424	2,538
Capital Work-in- progress	154	219	179	36
Other Non-current Assets	27	77	200	133
Deferred Tax Asset	23	0	0	0
Current Assets	3,860	4,121	3,336	3,626
Inventories	1,612	2,028	1,779	1,941
Biological Assets			22	36
Trade Receivables	1,546	1,320	1,121	1,069
Cash & Cash Equivalents	99	83	104	99
Other Financial Assets	227	91	4	5
Other Current Assets	377	599	307	476
Total Assets	6,568	6,777	6,140	6,333

# **Key Growth Drivers**







#### **Well Experienced Management:**

- > Experience of ~3 decades in the aquaculture industry.
- Good track record of providing top-quality products.
- Long-standing relationships with customers.

#### **Current Capacity Offers Headroom for Growth**

- Sales (MT) to Capacity ratio below 50%
- Also, awaiting regulatory approvals for selling our RTE products (capacity of 10,000 MTPA) in the EU Market.

#### **Advantage India:**

- > Vast Coastline
- Cost competitiveness at the farm and at processing levels.
- Headroom for growth in value-added products.



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#### **Wide Range of Value-added Products**

 Offering value added products in the RTC and RTE product categories.







# **Company at a Glance**

# The Growth Journey So Far...











#### Commencement Stage

(1995)

Commenced business operations under partnership firm "Apex Exports".

# **Export Market Penetration**

(2004 - 2012)

- Owned Processing Plant at Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh (AP).
- Exports to the USA and EU.
- Certified processes and quality.
- Recognized as a Star Export House by the DGFT.
- Converted into a Private Limited.

# Capability Expansion

(2013 - 2021)

- IPO and Listing on BSE & NSE in Sep'17.
- Backward Integration: Three owned Hatcheries in AP over 2016-19.
- Focus on VAP: Pre-processing unit in 2017, to support Kakinada plant in processing more VAP.
- Capacity Expansion: New processing plant of 20,000 MT capacity at G.Ragampeta, AP, in Mar'20.
- Foray into RTE products: 5,000 MT of RTE capacity at G. Ragampeta plant.

Well-placed to Capitalize on the Growth Opportunities

(2022 - 24)

- Improved Product Mix: Share of RTE products in overall sales increased from 15% in FY21 to 26% in FY24.
- RTE Capacity Expansion:
   Commissioned an additional line of 5,000 MT of RTE capacity in end of May-23.

# ...To Having Built a Well-Integrated Operations

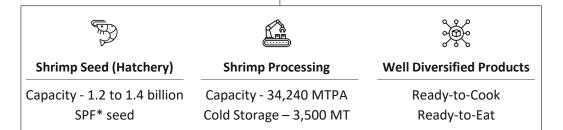




#### One Of The Leading Exporters Of Processed Shrimp In India

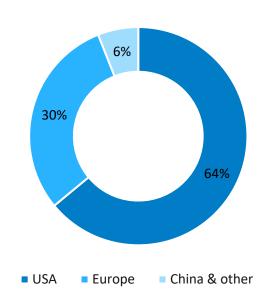
Catering to wide array of customers such as Food Companies, Retail Chains, Restaurants, Club Stores and Distributors spread across multiple geographies in the USA, European Union and China & Others.

# Well Integrated Business Operations with Presence in Hatchery and Processing & Exporting of Shrimp



<sup>\*</sup>Specific Pathogen Free

#### **Key Export Markets - FY24**



### **Well Integrated Across Value Chain**





Shrimp Seed (Hatchery)



Shrimp Farming



Pre-processing and Processing



Logistics

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 Production of Specific Pathogen Free (SPF) shrimp seed  Cultivation of shrimp, which are reared in ponds in a bio-secured environment

- Sizing and grading
- Deheading (Headless Shell-on)
- Peeling (Raw Peeled)
- Cooking + Value Addition

- Inhouse Cold Storage Capacity of 3,500 MT
- Owned Refrigerated trucks
- Shipping as:
  - ✓ Ready- to- Cook
  - ✓ Ready-to-Eat





Outsourced



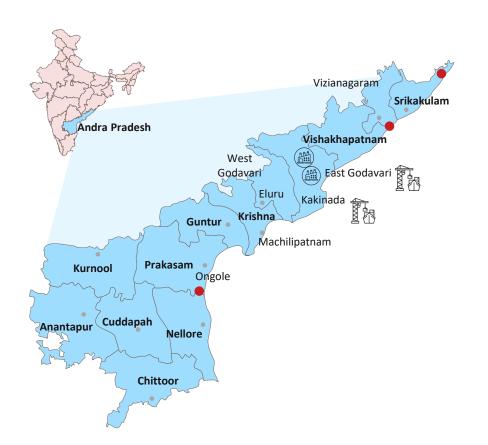
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# **Strategically Located Facilities**





Three Hatcheries with a total capacity of 1.2-1.4 billion SPF seed



Two Processing plants with a total capacity of 34,240 MTPA, along with Cold Storage capacity of ~3,500 MT



Our facilities are located ~20 kms from Kakinada port and ~150 kms from Vizag port

Our facilities are located within 20 - 200 kms of most farms from where the produce is sourced for processing

### **Processing Capacity Offers Headroom for Growth**





Total Capacity 34,240 MTPA

Unit 1 - Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh

Ready-to-Cook products: 9,240 MTPA
Cold Storage: 1,000 MT

Unit 2 - G. Ragampeta, Andhra Pradesh

Ready-to-Cook products: 15,000 MTPA Ready-to-Eat products: 10,000 MTPA Cold Storage: 2,500 MT

100% of the finished product (Frozen Shrimp) is exported primarily to markets like the USA, EU and China & Others

# **Product Offering – Moving up the Value Chain**









**SPECIALTY PRODUCT** 

Butterfly shrimp

Skewered shrimp

Seasoned shrimp



#### **READY-TO-EAT (RTE)**

Cooked Peeled &

De-veined Tail-on Cooked in Shell Shrimp Rings Dusted and Breaded Par-fried

#### **PEELED PRODUCT**

Peeled, Deveined, Tail-on Peeled, Un-deveined, Tail-on Peeled, Deveined, Tail-off Peeled, Un-deveined Peeled and Deveined

#### **BASE PRODUCT**

Head On Whole Headless Shell-On Easy Peel

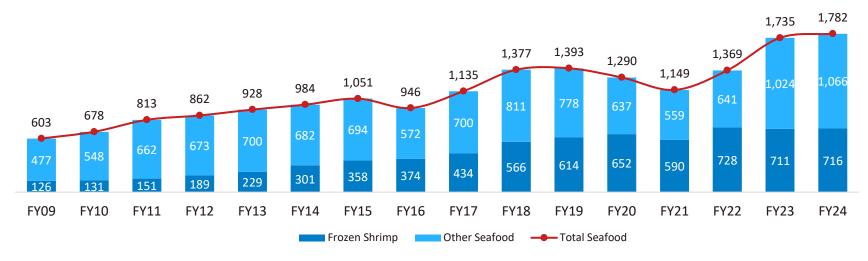


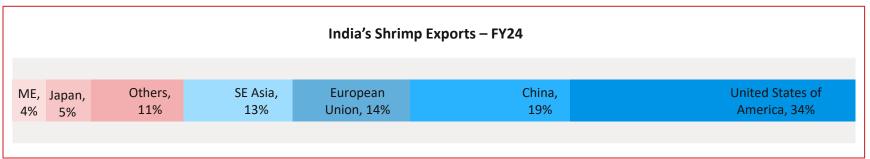


# **Annexure**

# **India's Seafood Exports Driven by Surging Shrimp Exports**







# **Key Considerations for the Sector**









#### **Demand Slowdown**

Being an export-oriented sector, any slowdown in consumption in key markets like the USA, EU and South-East Asia will have an adverse impact on India's shrimp exports

#### **Disease Related**

Highly susceptible to outbreak of diseases, which can have a detrimental effect on the availability of raw material (shrimp)

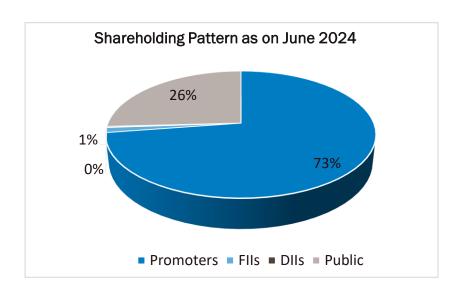
#### **Volatile Pricing**

Global imbalances in demand-supply can impact pricing. Exchange rate fluctuations can amplify the volatility

# **Share Capital Information**



NSE / BSE code	APEX / 540692		
CMP (Rs/share) (as on 12-Aug-24)	276		
Market Cap (Rs Mn)	8,547		
# Shares (Mn)	31.25		
Face Value (Rs/share)	10.00		
Sector	Aquaculture		
Location	Kakinada, AP		



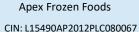


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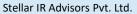


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