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Thanking You Yours Faithfully, For Frontier Springs Limited Dhruv Bhasin Dhruv Bhasin

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# Frontier Springs Limited

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Investor Presentation \_ Q2 & H1 FY25

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### **Company Overview**

## ESTABLISHED IN 1981

A DISTINGUISHED MANUFACTURER OF HOT COILED COMPRESSION SPRINGS, AIR SPRINGS AND FORGING FOR WAGONS, RAILWAYS, CARRIAGES AND LOCOMOTIVES THE COMPANY'S SPRINGS USED ON THE FASTEST TRAIN IN INDIA - VANDE BHARAT EXPRESS CERTIFIED BY THE INTERNATIONAL RAIL INDUSTRY STANDARD (IRIS), WHICH ENABLES US TO DIRECTLY EXPORT OUR PRODUCTS TO OTHER COUNTRIES

## **Company Overview**



OF EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE

### IRIS <u>Certification®</u>

RECEIVED FOR OUR MANAGEMENT SYSTEM Two

MANUFACTURING FACILITIES

APPROVAL FROM Research Designs and Standards Organization (RDSO)

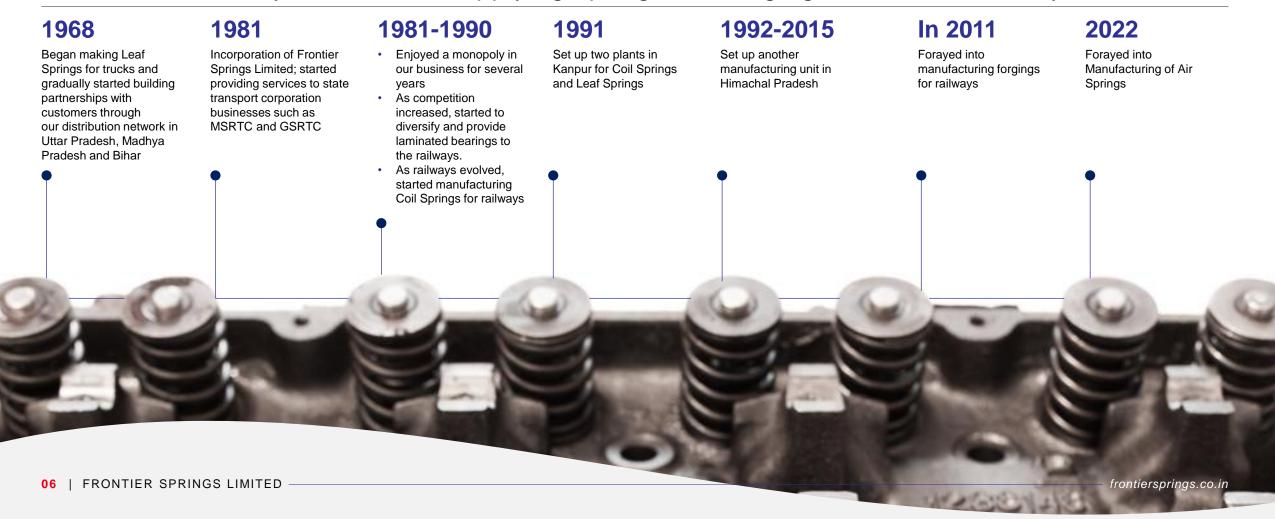
FOR SPRING-SINGLE COIL FOR EMD LOCOMOTIVES

A fully equipped laboratory

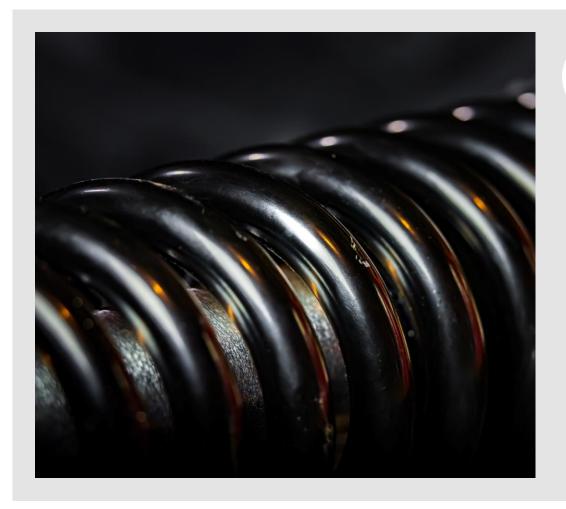


### **Our Journey**

#### From a small family business to supplying springs and forgings for Indian Railways



### **Business Divisions (1/3)**



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### SPRINGS DIVISION

In 1991, we shifted from Leaf Springs to Hot Coiled Springs for the Indian Railways, which has been our mainstay business for the past 30 years

#### What do we do?

- Manufacture different kinds of Coil Springs to use space better, reduce tiredness and weight
- Use strong chrome molly and chrome silicon steel rods that are carefully checked for cracks and coated with epoxy powder
- Make the Springs in various sizes from 10 mm to 65 mm wire thickness, with a maximum height of 1,000 mm

### **Business Divisions (2/3)**





### FORGING DIVISION

In 2011, we forayed into the forging business by setting up a manufacturing plant in Kanpur

#### What do we do?

- Manufacture train parts such as Anti Roll Bar Assembly, Screw Couplings, Draft Gear Assembly and BSS Hangers
- Have big hammers of 1 tonne, 3 tonnes and 6 tonnes to shape metal from as light as 100 grams to as heavy as 80 kg
- Use special ovens to make the metal strong, and machines to shape and cut parts, in our own workshop

### **Business Divisions (3/3)**



# AIR SPRING DIVISION

We now create Air Spring suspension systems for LHB coaches for Indian Railways

#### What do we do?

 Signed an MoU with Contitech Germany to supply Air Springs to Indian Railways



~12 Cr CAPEX INCURRED ~₹7CR

~₹5 CR

~120Cr

CAPEX INCURRED REVENUE ~₹7CR POTENTIAL POST PROPOSED CAPEX FURTHER CAPEX TO BE INCURRED OF 5 CR ~₹120 CR

### **Commercialisation of Air Springs Facility**







Air Springs for LHB coaches



Suspension Coil Springs for diesel and electrical locomotives



Suspension Coil Springs for freight stock



TMCLH and VLH Coil Springs for the power sector



Suspension Coil Springs for coaching stock



Forging components such as Brake Block Hanger, Knuckle Thrower, Top Follower and Wedge

## **Marquee Clientele**

- Chittranjan Locomotive Works
- Banaras Locomotive Works
- Frontier Alloy Steels Limited
- Patiala Locomotive Works





### Mr. Kundan Lal Bhatia

CHAIRMAN CUM MANAGING DIRECTOR

Mr. Kapil Bhatia

MANAGING DIRECTOR

Mrs. Manju Bhatia

WHOLETIME DIRECTOR

Mr. Nimesh Mukerji

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

Mr. Neeraj Bhatia

CEO AND WHOLETIME DIRECTOR

Mr. Sudhanshu Mani

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

Mr. Sarabjit Singh

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

Mrs. Mamta Bhatia

WHOLETIME DIRECTOR

Mr. K. P. Somkuwar

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

Mr. Surendrakumar Gupta

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

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# Quality products for modern needs

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## **Indian Railways – Our Primary Customer**

#### INDIAN RAILWAYS IS THE FOURTH LARGEST RAILWAY NETWORK IN THE WORLD.



# ₹2.56 lakh crore

**REVENUE FROM OPERATIONS** 

6.7% Y-O-Y GROWTH

#### GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES

| Freight loading and revenue<br>1,591 MT of freight loaded in<br>FY2024<br>5.22% Y-O-Y GROWTH | Automatic signalling<br>Upgraded 530 km with automatic<br>signalling in FY2023<br>143.12% Y-O-Y GROWTH          |
|--|---|
| Electrification<br>7,188 RKMs electrified during<br>the year<br>9.49% Y-O-Y GROWTH           | Gati Shakti Freight Terminals<br>30 freight terminals created in<br>FY2023 compared to 21 in FY2022             |
| <b>New lines</b><br>5.243 km of new lines added in<br>FY2023                                 | Vande Bharat Trains<br>Issued a production plan of 102<br>Vande Bharat Rakes<br>(35 in FY2023 and 67 in FY2024) |

## Indian Railways – Our Primary Customer

### GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES

#### NATIONAL RAIL PLAN (NRP)

58 super-critical projects of a total length of 3,750 km costing ₹39,663 crore and 68 critical projects of a total length of 6,913 km costing ₹75,736 crore have been identified for completion by 2024

#### FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT

The government has cleared the proposal for allowing 100% FDI in the railway sector, other than operations through the automatic route. The government wants to invest US\$120 billion in the coming five years for the development of railway services.

#### **INDIAN RAILWAY INNOVATION POLICY**

The intention is to work with entrepreneurs, technology developers, and innovators through start-ups to obtain affordable, user-friendly, reliable products and solutions for use on the Indian Railways network.

#### **UNION BUDGET 2023-24**

The Indian Railways has been allocated a capital outlay of ₹ 2.4 lakh crore in the Union Budget 2023-24

#### **MISSION RAFTAAR**

For speed enhancement and to achieve a target of doubling the average speed of freight trains and increasing the average speed of superfast /mail/express trains by 25 kmph

## **Different Types of Springs**

| FACTORS      |              | LEAF<br>SPRINGS   | LAMINATED BEARING<br>SPRINGS                                     | HOT COIL<br>SPRINGS                                      | AIR<br>SPRINGS                                    |
|--------------|--------------|---|--|--|---|
| S.C          | CONSTRUCTION | Made of a series of long,<br>thin metal strips that are<br>stacked and held together<br>by pins | Made of multiple layers of steel plates that are bonded together | Made of steel and are<br>heated and shaped into<br>coils | Made of rubber and are filled with compressed air |
|              | COMMON USE   | More common in older<br>vehicles  | More common in newer<br>vehicles                                 | More common in newer<br>vehicles                         | More common in newer<br>vehicles                  |
| %            | COST         | Less expensive to manufacture   | More expensive to manufacture                                    | More expensive to manufacture                            | Cost-efficient<br>manufacturing                   |
| <b>∛</b> ∘{{ | VIBRATION    | Less efficient and can cause more vibration   | More efficient and provide<br>a smoother ride                    | Absorb the shock and provide a smoother ride             | Absorb the shock and provide a smoother ride      |

## **Advantages of Air Springs and Hot Coil Springs**



Smoother Ride Comfort Can absorb more shock and provide a smoother ride

#### Better handling

Can better absorb the weight of the train and provide better handling, thus preventing derailments

#### More Resilient

Can withstand more stress and abuse and thus, run efficiently for longer

#### Less Maintenance

Less prone to wear and tear, and require less maintenance



# Performance

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### **From the Managing Director**



Kapil Bhatia MANAGING DIRECTOR

I am pleased to report on the performance of Frontier Springs Limited for Q2FY25. Our results are in line with the guidance we set at the beginning of the financial year, and we remain on track to achieve our target gross revenue of ₹240-250 crores for FY25. The strong performance this quarter was driven by robust contributions from all three of our business verticals: Coil Springs, Forging, and Air Springs.

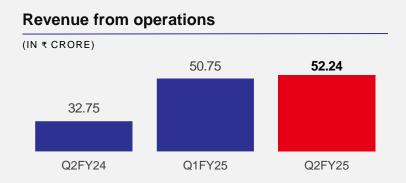
In the Coil Spring segment, we have received a sizeable order due to an increase in the production of LHB coaches. The emergency procurement associated with this incremental demand has resulted in favourable price realisations, coupled with stable raw material costs. This combination has significantly enhanced our profitability, and we anticipate that this positive trend will continue as the year progresses.

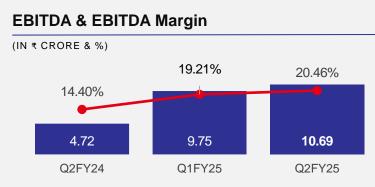
Our Air Springs vertical also demonstrates a healthy order book. We are poised to meet the incremental demand for air springs required for the LHB coaches, which should further accelerate our growth momentum in this segment. While there has been a slight delay in the setup of the 6-tonne hammer within our Forging vertical, we expect trial production to commence within October. We have already begun receiving orders from Indian Railways for forgings that will be produced using this new capacity, and we anticipate seeing contributions from this enhancement starting in Q4 of the current financial year.

Given the strong demand we are witnessing in the Coil Springs segment, we will continue to invest in small capital expenditures aimed at clearing bottlenecks and enhancing our capacities to cater to this growing demand.

Overall, we find ourselves in a robust position with a healthy order book and excellent visibility of future demand for our products. We remain confident in achieving our stated guidance and look forward to a future filled with growth and prosperity

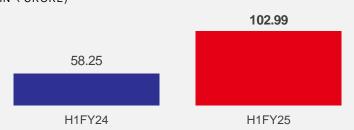
# **Quarterly Highlights**

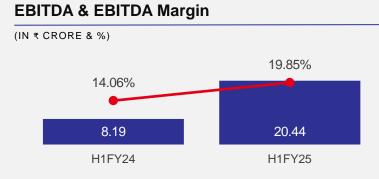


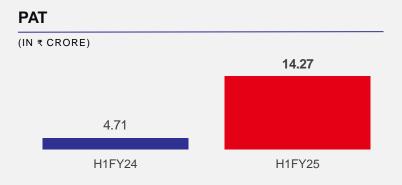




Revenue from operations





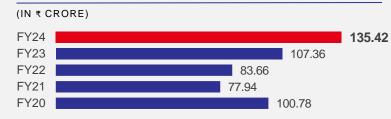


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## **5-year Performance**

#### **Revenue from operations**



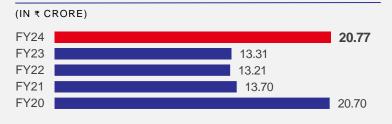
26.14% Y-O-Y GROWTH

#### **Profit After Tax**



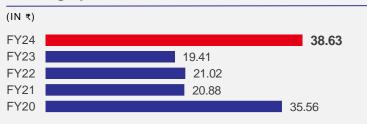
79.42% Y-O-Y GROWTH

#### **EBITDA**



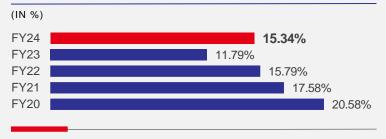
64.06% Y-O-Y GROWTH

#### Earnings per share



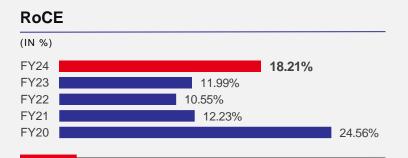
99.02% Y-O-Y GROWTH

#### EBITDA margin



355 bps y-o

Y-O-Y GROWTH



622 bps y-o-y growth

## **Summary of Profit and Loss Statement**

Q2FY25 Q1FY25 **Q2FY24** H1FY25 H1FY24 PARTICULARS Q-0-Q Y-o-Y Y-o-Y **REVENUE FROM OPERATIONS** 52.24 50.75 32.75 2.92% 59.49% 102.99 58.25 76.82% OTHER INCOME 0.13 0.66 0.05 -80.78% 133.52% 0.79 0.10 671.32% **TOTAL INCOME** 52.36 51.42 1.84% 59.61% 58.35 77.86% 32.81 103.78 TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES 41.68 41.67 28.09 0.02% 48.35% 83.34 50.16 66.15% EBITDA 10.69 9.75 4.72 9.61% 126.68% 20.44 8.19 149.63% EBITDA MARGIN (%) 20.46% 19.21% 14.40% 125 bps 607 bps 19.85% 14.06% 579 bps **FINANCE COST** 0.05 0.05 0.04 -0.66% 1.12% 0.09 0.10 -9.70% DEPRECIATION AND AMORTISATION EXPENSES 1.02 0.95 0.90 7.27% 14.18% 1.98 1.77 11.58% PROFIT BEFORE TAX 9.75 9.42 3.83 3.53% 154.56% 19.16 6.42 198.54% **PROFIT AFTER TAX** 7.29 155.30% 14.27 4.71 202.83% 6.98 2.85 4.38%

(IN ₹ CRORE)

### **Summary of Balance Sheet**

(IN ₹ CRORE)

| PARTICULARS                  | H1FY25 | FY24   |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|
| SHAREHOLDERS FUND            | 105.09 | 89.31  |
| NON- CURRENT LIABILITIES     | 5.57   | 4.38   |
| LONG TERM BORROWINGS         | 1.77   | 1.17   |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES          | 29.45  | 29.68  |
| SHORT TERM BORROWINGS        | 1.44   | 2.55   |
| TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | 140.12 | 123.37 |
|                              |        |        |
| NON-CURRENT ASSETS           | 75.90  | 65.79  |
| NET BLOCK                    | 48.91  | 45.14  |
| CURRENT ASSETS               | 64.22  | 57.59  |
| INVENTORIES                  | 32.75  | 30.19  |
| TRADE RECEIVABLES            | 18.03  | 22.17  |
| CASH & BANK BALANCES         | 11.53  | 2.28   |
| TOTAL ASSETS                 | 140.12 | 123.37 |

### **Summary of Cash Flow Statement**

(IN ₹ CRORE)

| PARTICULARS                         | H1FY25  | FY24   |
|-------------------------------------|---------|--------|
| CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES | 21.04   | 11.57  |
| CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES | (11.20) | (9.60) |
| CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES | (0.59)  | (1.69) |
| NET CASH FLOW                       | 9.25    | 0.28   |
| CASH AT THE BEGINNING OF PERIOD     | 2.28    | 2.00   |
| CASH AT THE END OF PERIOD           | 11.53   | 2.28   |



# The Future

Ready to Leverage Opportunities

# **Ready to Leverage Opportunities**

### INDIAN RAILWAY GROWTH OPPORTUNITY

#### **Historic Budget Allocation**

### ₹2.40 lakh crore

For railway-Capex – a 51% increase from the previous year

#### **Record Freight Performance**

**1,591 MT** In FY 2022-23, a 5% increase Y-o-Y

#### Massive Wagon Orders

### ~72,000 wagons

Record placement for ~72,000 wagons, with 40,000 more anticipated

#### Freight Corridor Impact

### One lakh trains

Run, with 73.5% of DFC commissioned. Target to reduce logistics cost from 15% to 8% of GDP by 2030

#### Private Wagon Ownership Rise

Driven

By government schemes, with significant potential in cement, coal, steel, and auto sectors.

#### Vande Bharat & Metro Expansion

### 50 trains

Incorporated, with an opportunity size of ₹58,000 Cr and metro projects allocation of ₹19,500 Crores in the budget

#### Freight & Passenger Capacity Goals

**2.5**x

Increase freight by rail to 45% by 2030, and passenger demand forecast to grow 2.5x by 2051

#### Promising Future

**Procurement Plans:** 90,000 wagons over 3 years, 5 times the annual average. Fleet Expansion: Freight target to increase to 3,000 m tonnes by 2027, necessitating a fleet of ~500,000 wagons. **Replacement Cycle:** ~35% of existing wagons older than 15 years due for replacement.

### Why Invest in Us



Robust balance sheet



Experienced Management at the helm of operations



New (Air Springs) to help improve the margin profile of the business



Strong Industry Tailwinds and growth visibility



New product (Air Springs) to significantly contribute to the topline growth



# Thank You

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