STOCK OF THE WEEK



AVANTI FEEDS LTD.

Sector

Jan 27, 2024

Buy at CMP: Rs 693 | Target: Rs 768 (11%) | SL: Rs 650

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Avanti Feeds Limited is a leading prawn and fish feed manufacturer and shrimp processor in India, with joint ventures with Thai Union Frozen Products. It operates ISO-certified feed units in Andhra Pradesh and Gujarat, and a shrimp processing unit adhering to global aquaculture standards.

Investment Rationale

- AFL is the leading shrimp feed and export growth: AFL, India's largest shrimp feed producer with a 600,000 mtpa capacity and 45%-50% market share, is expanding to meet rising global demand. Its subsidiary, AFFPL, processes 22,000 mtpa and is a leading shrimp exporter. India's shrimp industry thrives on a long coastline, favorable climate, skilled manpower, and strong regulatory support, ensuring global competitiveness and disease risk mitigation. The focus on aquaculture underpins robust long-term growth prospects.
- ◆ AFL is expanding processing capacity by 7,000 MTPA with an ₹800Mn capex, expecting volume-driven growth from FY25: After adding 1,75,000 MTPA of shrimp feed capacity, operational since December 2022, AFL plans a government-backed capex of INR 800 million for its processing unit, including a post-completion grant of INR 100 million. This will increase the plant's capacity by 7,000 MTPA to 29,000 MTPA. While FY24 revenue growth is expected to be driven by value, volume contributions are anticipated from FY25. Ind-Ra projects a near-term moderation in capacity utilization, with recovery starting FY25.
- ♦ Balance Sheet remains healthy with low leverage and high cash position keeping it in check: AFL debt has remained stable at INR 16 Cr from FY22 to FY24 and is expected to stay within a manageable level of less than 1x debt-to-equity ratio. The company holds a strong cash position of INR 689 Cr, representing 20% of its total balance sheet, providing ample room for further capital expenditure. AFL has stable trade receivables and inventory, of INR 184 Cr and INR 659 Cr This is expected to remain stable.
- Outlook and Valuations: We model a Revenue/PAT CAGR of 11%/23% and estimate AFL to clock PAT of Rs 661 Cr by FY27E. AFL is trading at forward PE (x) of 14.3 and we value at 16(x) FY27E and Recommend BUY on AFL with Target Price of Rs. 768 (11%).

Financial Snapshot

Year	Revenue	EBITDA	PAT	PE Ratio (x)	EV/EBITDA (x)
FY24	5,369	458	357	26.4	13.1
FY25E	5,959	536	536	17.6	32.7
FY26E	6,615	595	595	15.8	29.5
FY27E	7,343	661	661	14.3	26.5

Source: Company Data, Ace Equity, GEPL Research

Script Details	
BSE Group	A
BSE Code	512573
NSE Code	AVANTIFEED
Bloomberg Code	AVNT IN
Market Cap (INR Cr.)	9,417
Free Float (%)	56.8%
52wk Low/High	791/472
Beta (1yr Nifty 50)	0.00
Face Value (INR)/ D. Yield (%)	1/1
Total paid Up Shares (Mn.)	136.2

Share Holding Pattern (%) Promoters Public Others 43.2% 56.8% -

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TECHNICAL VIEW

Observation

- On the monthly timeframe, Avanti Feeds has exhibited a robust structural shift, with the prior resistance from 2022 now acting as a support zone. This shift signifies a classic change in polarity on a higher timeframe, underscoring the stock's bullish potential.
- On the weekly timeframe, since April 2023, the stock has been forming higher tops and higher bottoms, highlighting a consistent uptrend. The current week witnessed a two-week high breakout accompanied by a volume surge, further confirming bullish price action. On the daily timeframe, the stock has formed a base around the 200-day EMA, reinforcing its bullish price structure across multiple timeframes.
- From an indicator perspective, the MACD momentum study shows a bullish crossover, while the RSI remains above 60 across timeframes, indicating strong and sustained bullish momentum.
- Additionally, the ratio chart of Avanti Feeds against the Nifty reveals a multiyear descending trendline breakout, connecting the 2017 and 2024 swing highs. This breakout signals a potential for the stock to outperform the broader market.



- Inference & Expectations
- Considering these factors, it can be inferred that AVANTIFEED stock is set to continue uptrend.
- Going ahead we expect the prices to move higher till 768 level.
- The stop loss must be at 650 level, strictly on the closing basis.

Source: Tradingview.in, GEPL Research



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