# **Bata India**



Stake purchase by Promoter — Stepping up? Bata Pakistan Case Study

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**RETAIL: Company Update** 

Bata BN BV, the holding company, acquired 0.95% stake in Bata India at average price of Rs888.05/share. Bata BN BV is a subsidiary of Leader AG (the privately held Bata Shoe Organization). (See Holding Structure)

The theory of Bata Shoe Organization (BSO) increasing its stake in the Indian operations by buy-back has been fuelled by the cash on books of Bata India (Rs2.54 bn as on H1CY13). However, the stake increase came from a market purchase where the seller is reported as ICICI Brokerage Services. While the stake purchased is minor (yet purchased at 33x trailing P/E as against 9x in other markets) and may not appear material in the current context. What would be of interest is the intent of the parent company with regards to its stake in the Indian business.

To comprehend the action and intent, we conducted further research on BSO and its strategy with respect to other listed arms of BSO. There have been three instances of share purchase in the recent past viz Thailand, Indonesia and Pakistan. In Thailand the company increased its stake and de-listed the business in CY10 whereas in Pakistan it upped its stake in two tranches (July 2011 –8% and August 2012-7%). The mode of acquisition in Pakistan bears an uncanny resemblance to the acquisition (acquired from an Investment Bank/Broking Firm through the holding company) made in India in Nov 2013. In 2005 the parent company stated its intent to increase its stake in the Indian business once the turnaround of the operations was attained.

Moreover, the dividend payout of Bata Pakistan increased significantly after the acquisition of first tranche and eventually the company took its stake to 75%. The payout ratio for Bata Pakistan 9MCY13 was 53%. A deeper look into the Bata Pakistan transaction where the seller was an Investment Bank and the circumstances under which the stake was acquired India would make one dwell deeper as to if we are likely to witness déjà-vu in India.

However, there would be many questions which would arise and some pertinent ones such as the wherewithal of BSO to replicate such a transaction in India. While little is known about of BSO's financial strength, we gather that the BSO is growing at healthy rate in CY13 (>10%), profits are growing faster than sales as per the management commentary and has a reach of ~6000 outlets, with 30,000 employees in 85 countries it may well be able to use the creeping route to acquire stake. However, with sales of over 300 mn pairs it wouldn't be unfair to estimate that BSO would command sales of \$3bn and hence would be in a strong position to acquire further stake. (Refer comparative table)

However, with Bata India's royalty (currently 1.5%) being the lowest amongst its listed group companies (3-4%) the probability of increase in royalty/technical collaboration fees/trademark fees remains high. However, empirical data suggests that that parent company has utilized the proceeds of royalty to increase its stake in the respective entity. We expect earnings momentum to gather pace over CY14E on the low base, ramping up of stores opened in CY10 and CY11 (254 gross) thus translating into a 30% PAT growth in CY14. We value the company at 30xCY14 earnings / 18x CY14E EV/EBITDA. **Maintain BUY.** 

## **BUY**

# BATA IN | CMP RS 1061 TARGET RS 1157 (+9%)

#### **Company Data**

O/S SHARES (MN):	64
MARKET CAP (RSBN):	68.2
MARKET CAP (USDBN):	1.1
52 - WK HI/LO (RS) :	1071 / 688
LIQUIDITY 3M (USDMN):	4.4
FACE VALUE (RS):	10

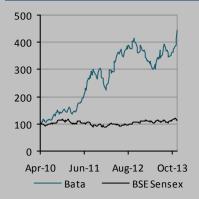
## **Share Holding Pattern, %**

PROMOTERS:	52.0
FII / NRI:	17.9
FI / MF:	12.2
NON PROMOTER CORP. HOLDINGS:	4.0
PUBLIC & OTHERS:	13.9

#### Price Performance, %

	1mth	3mth	1yr
ABS	19.0	28.0	17.5
REL TO BSE	20.3	18.1	7.4

## Price Vs. Sensex (Rebased values)



Source: PhillipCapital India Research

### **Other Key Ratios**

Rs mn	CY12	CY13E	CY14E
Net Sales	18,425	21,092	24,980
EBIDTA	2,750	3,122	3,872
Net Profit	1,721	1,912	2,480
EPS, Rs	26.8	29.7	38.6
PER, x	39.6	35.7	27.5
EV/EBIDTA, x	24.1	20.8	16.5
P/BV, x	3.6	3.1	2.5
ROE, %	24.6	22.9	24.3

Source: PhillipCapital India Research Est.

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Acquisition across the geogra	Acquisition across the geographies											
	Global		Bangladesh	Indonesia	Pakistan							
Particulars	(BSO)	India	CY12	CY12	CY12							
Estimated Turnover (mn \$)	3000	317	95	64	106							
Stores (Nos.)	6000	1358	242	533	386							
Pairs (Nos. Mn)	300	50	30	12	18							
ASP	10.0	6.3	3.2	5.3	5.9							
Acquisition Period	NA	CY13	NA	CY06-11	CY11 & CY12							
Acquired stake	NA	0.95%	NA	16.8%	15.0%							
Acquisition	NA	CY13	NA	CY06-11	CY11 & CY12							
Cost of acquisition (mn \$)	NA	8	NA	7.7	10							
Royalty paid during the	NA	2.91	NA	10	7.3							
acquisition period (mn \$)												
Average acquisition P/E (trailing)	NA	33.2	NA	9	8							

 $Source: Company, \ Bloomberg, \ Phillip Capital \ Research$ 

Particulars	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Bata Indonesia (Mn IDR)								
Revenue	434,916	428,630	493,717	539,762	598,466	644,189	678,592	751,449
Gross Margin	41.9%	42.9%	44.5%	44.2%	46.1%	47.5%	45.5%	46.6%
Royalty	1.6%	1.7%	1.7%	2.3%	2.9%	3.5%	3.9%	4.0%
EBIT Margin	10.0%	8.5%	12.5%	10.4%	12.5%	13.5%	12.1%	13.3%
PAT Margin	5.8%	4.7%	7.7%	8.3%	8.9%	9.5%	8.3%	9.2%
Parent Co Stake	65.0%	65.8%	68.2%	76.6%	76.7%	78.1%	81.8%	81.8%
Dividend Payout	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

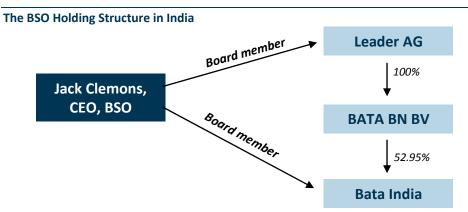
Bata Pakistan (Mn PKR)								
Revenue	2,543	2,989	3,964	5,107	6,428	8,330	9,816	11,477
Gross Margin	36.9%	37.2%	41.3%	42.4%	41.6%	40.0%	36.1%	37.1%
Royalty	0.1%	0.1%	0.7%	1.8%	3.0%	2.9%	3.8%	3.7%
EBIT Margin	7.3%	8.8%	14.4%	13.5%	13.2%	14.8%	11.0%	12.5%
PAT Margin	3.3%	3.7%	9.0%	9.4%	9.1%	10.5%	7.6%	8.9%
Parent Co Stake	60%	60%	60%	60%	60.0%	60.0%	68.0%	75.0%
Dividend Payout	40%	50%	16.9%	12.7%	15.5%	24.3%	20.2%	39.3%

Bata Bangladesh (Mn BDT)								
Revenue	NA	NA	NA	4,623	5,141	5,663	6,648	7,385
Gross Margin	NA	NA	NA	34.4%	37.0%	36.1%	35.5%	36.1%
Royalty	NA	NA	NA	0.2%	0.2%	0.8%	3.9%	3.9%
EBIT Margin	NA	NA	NA	14.0%	12.8%	13.6%	12.8%	13.6%
PAT Margin	NA	NA	NA	9.7%	8.7%	9.6%	8.7%	9.1%
Parent Co Stake	NA	NA	NA	70.0%	70.0%	70.0%	70.0%	70.0%
Dividend Payout	NA	NA	NA	67.0%	67.0%	62.9%	58.9%	56.0%

Dividend Payout	0%	0%	32%	27%	31%	29%	15%	22%
Parent Co Stake	52.01%	52.01%	52.01%	52.01%	52.01%	52.01%	52.01%	52.01%
PAT Margin	-1%	1.4%	4.7%	6.0%	5.7%	6.9%	10.2%	9.3%
EBIT Margin	1%	4%	5%	7%	9%	10%	12%	12%
Royalty	0	0	0	101	133	149	152	179
Gross Margin	50%	50%	51%	51%	53%	79%	53%	53%
Revenue	7,068	7,702	8,675	9,877	10,924	12,758	15,491	18,425
Bata India (Mn INR)								

Source: Company, Bloomberg, PhillipCapital Research





Source: moneyhouse.ch, Company

Bata (BN) B.V. is a privately held investment company located in Amsterdam. Bata (BN) B.V.'s nature of activities are to be a holding company carrying on financial activities and currently the only investment is Bata Shoe Organization's 51% investment in Bata India. - Rights Offer Document, May, 2005

Leader AG, St. Moritz, Switzerland, is a wholly owned subsidiary by the name of Bata Shoe Company Limited on December 23, 1931. Leader AG, Switzerland was, and still is, a member of the multi-national Bata Shoe Organisation (BSO) - Rights Offer Document, May, 2005

## Past Commentary on Stake Hike and Royalty in Bata India -

**Stake Hike** - "the Bata family would be taking a taking a view on enhancing its holding in Bata India once the restructuring was over and as soon as the company turns around" – June 2005, comments made in media at the sidelines of Bata's 72nd annual general meeting

**Technical Collaboration fee/Royalty**- "The Company heavily depends on its Promoter group for its technology. The Company has entered into a Technical Collaboration Agreement dated December 29, 2000 with Bata Limited, Canada (Bata Canada) for a period of 10 years, for receiving various services from Bata Canada, including (i)engineering services; (ii) construction and architectural services; (iii) research and development services; (iv) testing and quality control services; (v) footwear technology and general technical services; (vi) environmental, health and safety services; and (vii) brand development services. Under the Technical Collaboration Agreement dated December 29, 2000 with Bata Canada, the Company is required to pay to Bata Canada royalty at the rate of 1.5% of the gross turnover on domestic sales and export sales." – Rights Offer Document, May, 2005.

The company continued to pay technical collaboration fees at ~1% till 2012 implying that the agreement has been renewed. However, it is possible there fees range could be higher than 1% for future payouts. No information is available on the same in public domain.



## The Bata Pakistan Stake hike-

Bafin B.V. (Nederland) is the parent company of Bata Pakistan Limited. Bafin held 60% stake in Bata Pakistan till July 2011. In July 2011 the company acquired 7% stake through off market transactions (for want of liquidity) and similarly acquired another 8% stake in Aug 2012. The seller on this occasion was BMA Capital, an Investment Bank, which apparently acquired the shares at the behest of Bafin and later on sold it to Bafin.

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		Trade Qty	Price	Amount	Market Cap PKR Mr
1	29-Jul-11	25,000	690	17.25	5,216.40
2	29-Jul-11	25,000	690	17.25	5,216.40
3	29-Jul-11	25,000	690	17.25	5,216.40
4	29-Jul-11	25,000	690	17.25	5,216.40
5	29-Jul-11	25,000	700	17.50	5,292.00
5	29-Jul-11	25,000	700	17.50	5,292.00
7	29-Jul-11	25,000	700	17.50	5,292.00
3	29-Jul-11	25,000	700	17.50	5,292.00
9	29-Jul-11	25,000	715	17.88	5,405.40
LO	29-Jul-11	25,000	715	17.88	5,405.40
11	29-Jul-11	25,000	715	17.88	5,405.40
.2	29-Jul-11	13,232	715	9.46	5,405.40
3	29-Jul-11	25,000	715	17.88	5,405.40
4	29-Jul-11	25,000	715	17.88	5,405.40
5	29-Jul-11	25,000	715	17.88	5,405.40
.6	29-Jul-11	25,000	715	17.88	5,405.40
L <b>7</b>	29-Jul-11	25,000	715	17.88	5,405.40
L8	29-Jul-11	25,000	715	17.88	5,405.40
19	29-Jul-11	25,000	690	17.25	5,216.40
20	29-Jul-11	25,000	690	17.25	5,216.40
21	29-Jul-11	25,000	690	17.25	5,216.40
22	29-Jul-11	25,000	690	17.25	5,216.40
23	29-Jul-11	11,757	690	8.11	5,216.40
24	29-Aug-12	259,400	1000	259.40	7,560.00
25	30-Aug-12	328,100	1000	328.10	7,560.00
	Total	1,137,489	726.4	973.95	

Source: Bata Pakistan, Phillip Capital Research

The dividend payout of Bata Pakistan increased in CY12 (post the second acquisition in August 2012) to 39% (nearly doubling). And 9MCY13 the payout has been 53%.

PKR Mn	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	9MCY13
Revenue	3,964	5,107	6,428	8,330	9,816	11,477	9,382
EBITDA	622	744	915	1,301	1,157	1,533	1,270
% Margin	15.7%	14.6%	14.2%	15.6%	11.8%	13.4%	13.5%
PAT	359	478	586	871	748	1,021	936
RoE %	37%	33%	30%	32%	23%	26%	27%
Payout	17%	13%	15%	24%	20%	39%	53%
Total Shares Mn	7.56	7.56	7.56	7.56	7.56	7.56	7.56
Parent Co Stake	60%	60%	60%	60%	68%	75%	75%

 $Source: Company, Bloomberg, Phillip Capital\ Research$ 



# **Financials**

Income Statement				
Y/E Mar, Rs mn	CY11	CY12	CY13E	CY14E
Net sales	18,425	21,092	24,980	29,901
Growth, %	19	14	18	20
Total income	18,425	21,092	24,980	29,901
Raw material expenses	-8,680	-9,934	-11,740	-13,994
Other Operating expenses	-6,994	-8,036	-9,367	-11,123
EBITDA (Core)	2,750	3,122	3,872	4,784
Growth, %	19.4	13.5	24.0	23.6
Margin, %	14.9	14.8	15.5	16.0
Depreciation	-514	-617	-689	-755
EBIT	2,236	2,505	3,183	4,029
Growth, %	18.3	12.0	27.1	26.6
Margin, %	12.1	11.9	12.7	13.5
Interest paid	-10	0	0	0
Other Non-Operating Income	301	306	463	548
Pre-tax profit	2,526	2,811	3,646	4,577
Tax provided	-805	-900	-1,167	-1,510
Profit after tax	1,721	1,912	2,480	3,067
Net Profit	1,721	1,912	2,480	3,067
Growth, %	8.5	11.1	29.7	23.7
Net Profit (adjusted)	1,721	1,912	2,480	3,067
Unadj. shares (m)	64	64	64	64
Wtd avg shares (m)	64	64	64	64

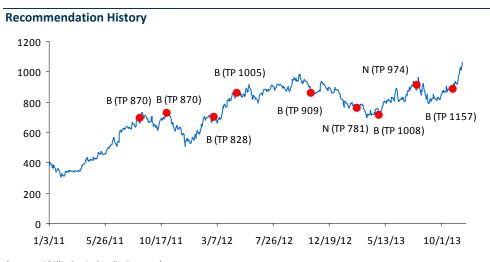
Balance Sheet				
Y/E Mar, Rs mn	CY11	CY12	CY13E	CY14E
Cash & bank	1,877	3,231	4,491	6,459
Debtors	448	519	615	736
Inventory	4,621	4,899	5,790	6,901
Loans & advances	1,209	2,109	2,498	2,990
Other current assets	80	91	108	129
Total current assets	8,235	10,850	13,502	17,216
Gross fixed assets	5,628	6,628	7,328	8,028
Less: Depreciation	-3,200	-3,818	-4,506	-5,261
Add: Capital WIP	188	188	188	188
Net fixed assets	2,616	2,998	3,010	2,955
Total assets	11,294	14,292	16,955	20,615
Current liabilities	4,305	5,931	6,762	8,131
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Total liabilities	4,305	5,931	6,762	8,131
Paid-up capital	643	643	643	643
Reserves & surplus	6,347	7,719	9,551	11,840
Shareholders' equity	6,989	8,361	10,193	12,483
Total equity & liabilities	11,294	14,292	16,955	20,615

Source: Company, PhillipCapital India Research Estimates

Cash Flow				
Y/E Mar, Rs mn	CY11	CY12	CY13E	CY14E
Pre-tax profit	2,526	2,811	3,646	4,577
Depreciation	514	617	689	755
Chg in working capital	-191	365	-561	-376
Total tax paid	-907	-900	-1,167	-1,510
Cash flow from operating activities	1,942	2,894	2,608	3,445
Capital expenditure	-838	-1,000	-700	-700
Cash flow from investing activities	-838	-1,000	-700	-700
Free cash flow	1,104	1,894	1,908	2,745
Dividend (incl. tax)	-448	-540	-647	-777
Other financing activities	-2	0	0	0
Cash flow from financing activities	-451	-540	-647	-777
Net chg in cash	652	1,354	1,260	1,968
Pre-tax profit	2,526	2,811	3,646	4,577

Valuation Ratios & Per Share Data					
	CY11	CY12	CY13E	CY14E	
Per Share data					
EPS (INR)	26.8	29.7	38.6	47.7	
Growth, %	8.5	11.1	29.7	23.7	
Book NAV/share (INR)	108.8	130.1	158.6	194.2	
FDEPS (INR)	26.8	29.7	38.6	47.7	
CEPS (INR)	34.8	39.3	49.3	59.5	
CFPS (INR)	25.5	40.3	33.4	45.1	
DPS (INR)	7.0	8.4	10.1	12.1	
Return ratios					
Return on assets (%)	16.8	14.9	15.9	16.3	
Return on equity (%)	24.6	22.9	24.3	24.6	
Return on capital employed (%)	27.2	24.9	26.7	27.0	
Turnover ratios					
Asset turnover (x)	4.2	4.5	5.0	5.5	
Sales/Total assets (x)	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.6	
Sales/Net FA (x)	7.5	7.5	8.3	10.0	
Working capital/Sales (x)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Working capital days	40.7	29.2	32.9	32.0	
Liquidity ratios					
Current ratio (x)	1.9	1.8	2.0	2.1	
Quick ratio (x)	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.3	
Interest cover (x)	216.7				
Dividend cover (x)	3.8	3.5	3.8	3.9	
Net debt/Equity (%)	(26.9)	(38.6)	(44.1)	(51.7)	
Valuation					
PER (x)	39.6	35.7	27.5	22.2	
PEG (x) - y-o-y growth	4.6	3.2	0.9	0.9	
Price/Book (x)	9.8	8.2	6.7	5.5	
EV/Net sales (x)	3.6	3.1	2.5	2.1	
EV/EBITDA (x)	24.1	20.8	16.5	12.9	
EV/EBIT (x)	29.7	25.9	20.0	15.3	





Source: PhillipCapital India Research



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