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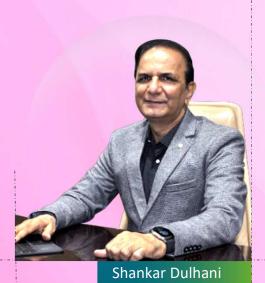
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Chairman Message





Chairman & Executive Director, Saraswati Saree Depot Limited Dear valued Stakeholders,

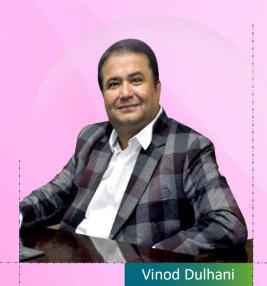
We had anticipated stronger revenue growth in Q3FY25, however we take full responsibility of this and how it has impacted our financial performance. This performance is not in line with our objectives, and we are focused on addressing these challenges head-on. We are taking decisive actions to turn things around – we are implementing new initiatives and revisiting our strategies to ensure our targets are met in the short and medium term. We are actively implementing initiatives that we believe will play a significant role in driving sales and enhancing customer engagement.

To improve our financial outcomes, we are concentrating on streamlining our operations and reducing inefficiencies. This will allow us to improve cost management and protect our profitability even in periods of slower top-line growth. We believe that these operational optimizations will create a more sustainable foundation for the company, driving efficiency and long-term value

Our commitment to continuous improvement remains unwavering, and we are confident that these efforts will yield positive results moving forward. Going on line with what we mentioned last quarter about efficient capital allocation, we are declaring an interim dividend of Rs. 2.27 per share after money being utilized for growth."

MD & CEO's Message





Managing Director & CEO, Saraswati Sarees Depot Ltd

Dear Esteemed Stakeholders,

The previous quarter did present challenges in terms of growth, and while our performance fell short of our expectations, we remain focused on refining our approach and driving improved outcomes in the months ahead.

Our Surat purchase office has had a promising start, with encouraging early prospects and strong momentum. Leveraging Surat's strategic location, we are optimistic about the opportunities it presents and will continue strengthening this operation to maximize its potential. On the other hand, performance at Ulhasnagar continues to face challenges. While progress has been slower than anticipated, we are actively addressing the issues and taking active steps to get the facility back on track.

We remain committed to improving all aspects of our operations and are optimistic about the opportunities ahead. Our focus remains steadfast on growth, innovation, and delivering value to our stakeholders.

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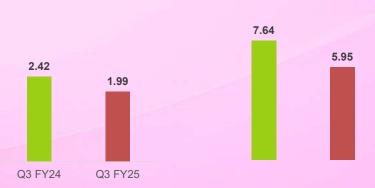
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PAT(Rs. Cr.) & PAT Margins

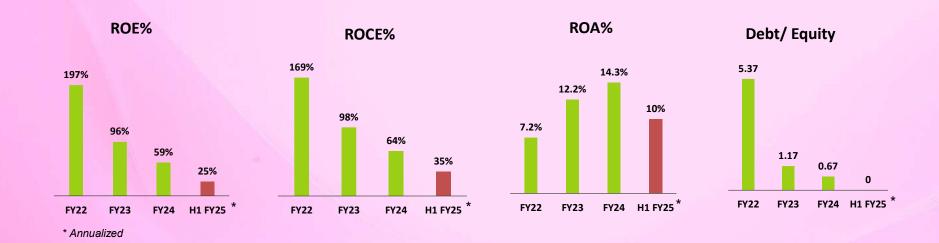


EPS (Rs.)



Key Ratios

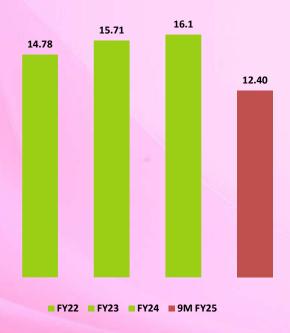




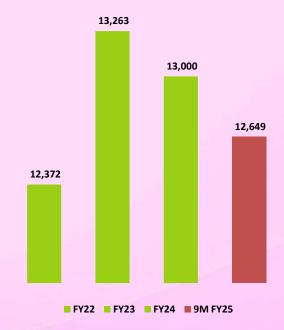
- Product Mix -----



Number of Units Sold (in millions)



Total Number of Customers



- Sales Mix





Quarterly Income Statement



Particulars (Rs. Crore)	Q3 FY25	Q3 FY24	YoY	Q2 FY25	QoQ
Revenue from Operations	182.14	228.47		164.75	
Other Income	1.13	0.53		0.75	
Total Operational Revenue	183.27	229.00	(20.3)%	165.5	10.6%
Raw Materials	163.30	168.22		144.71	
Employee Cost	2.35	2.69		2.64	
Other Cost	3.67	6.88		5.08	
Total Expenditure	169.32	210.84		152.43	
EBITDA (excl. Other Income)	12.82	17.62	(18.9)%	12.32	4.1%
EBITDA Margin (%)	7.04%	7.71%		7.48%	
Depreciation	2.93	0.25		0.23	
Interest	0.95	0.64		0.4	
Profit before exceptional items	10.07	17.27		12.45	
Income from Associates	0.34	0.41		0.27	
PBT	10.41	17.67	(41.1)%	12.72	(18.2)%
Tax	2.53	4.45		3.15	
PAT	7.88	13.22	(40.4)%	9.57	(17.6)%
PAT Margin (%)	4.33%	5.79%		5.78%	
Basic EPS	1.99	3.99		2.42	

Nine Months Income Statement



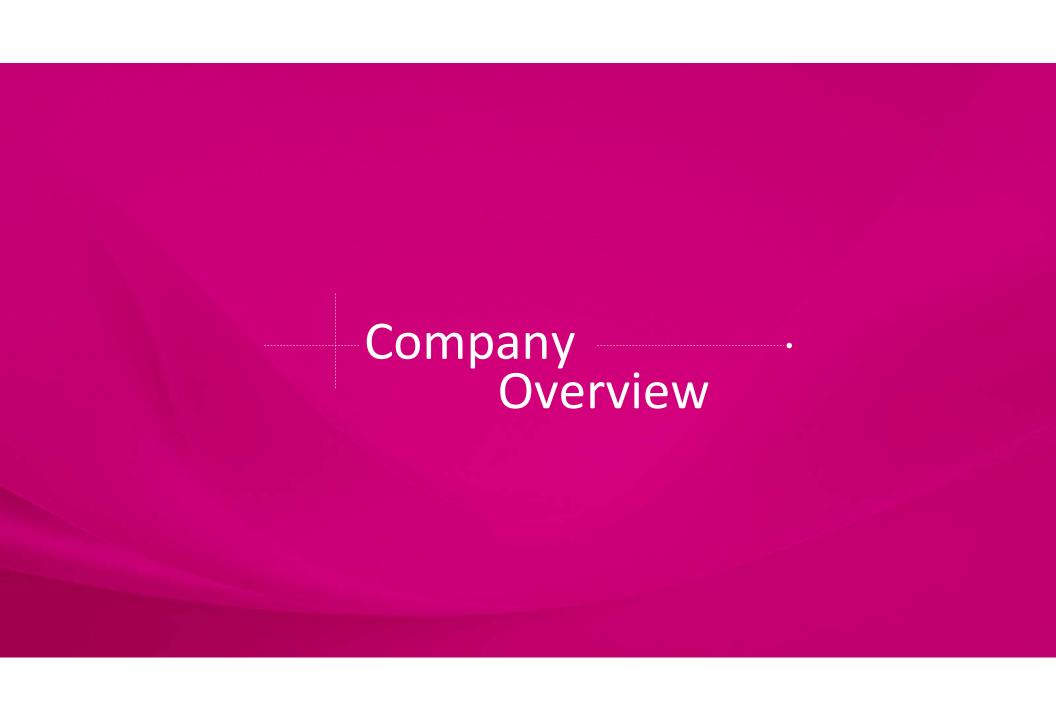
Particulars (Rs. Crore)	9M FY25	9M FY24	YoY
Revenue from Operations	477.26	488.17	
Other Income	2.60	1.24	
Total Operational Revenue	479.86	489.41	(2.23)%
Raw Materials	422.26	428.55	
Employee Cost	7.68	7.17	
Other Cost	14.33	18.21	
Total Expenditure	444.27	453.93	
EBITDA (excl. Other Income)	32.99	34.25	(3.66)%
EBITDA Margin (%)	6.91%	7.01%	
Depreciation	3.36	0.70	
Interest	2.00	1.83	
Profit before exceptional items	30.23	32.96	
Income from Associates	0.75	0.00	
PBT	30.97	32.96	(6.01)%
Tax	7.43	8.29	
PAT	23.55	25.28	(6.85)%
PAT Margin (%)	4.93%	5.18%	
Basic EPS	5.95	7.63	

Balance Sheet



Particulars (Rs. Crore)	As on 30 th Sept'24	As on 31 st Mar'24	As on 31st Mar'23
Equity Share Capital	39.60	33.10	0.10
Other Equity	144.86	31.81	35.28
Shareholders Funds	184.46	64.91	35.38
Financial Liabilities			
Borrowings	FU 14	-	-
Provisions	5 -	-	-
Deferred Tax Liabilities (net)	1	-	-
Other Non-Current Liabilities	-/-	-	-
Non Current Liabilities	- /	-	-
Financial Liabilities			
Borrowings	"	43.49	41.43
Trade Payables	138.68	94.80	108.45
Other Financial Liabilities	0.46	0.44	2.44
Provisions	1.34	1.35	0.83
Current tax Liabilities	0.25	0.95	0.32
Current Liabilities	140.73	141.03	153.47
Total Equity & Liabilities	325.19	205.94	188.85

Particulars (Rs. Crore)	As on 30 th Sept'24	As on 31st Mar'24	As on 31st Mar'23
Property Plant & Equipment	3.63	2.83	3.07
Intangible Assets	0.19	0.22	-
Financial Assets			
Non-current Investment	4.46	4.22	3.50
Other Financial Assets	0.00	0.01	0.23
Deferred Tax Assets (Net)	0.49	0.21	-
Other Non Current Assets	0.00	0.00	
Non Current Assets	8.77	7.48	6.80
Inventories	146.13	107.70	92.81
Financial assets			
Trade receivables	108.64	75.12	65.65
Cash & Cash equivalents	42.69	9.87	19.05
Others	0.25	0.25	0.12
Other Current Assets	18.69	5.50	4.43
Current Assets	316.42	198.45	182.05
Total Assets	325.19	205.94	188.85



Key Facts and Figures



01

One of India's leading organized saree wholesalers, growing strong over **three decades**

02

Recipient of awards
such as
"Star of the Industry"
"Iconic Brand"
at various events and the
"Achievers of
South Maharashtra"
award from the Times of India.

03

Strategically located in Kolhapur, Ulhasnagar & Ahmednagar spread across 235,000+ sq ft of total area

04

Diverse Product Portfolio includes sarees, kurtis, dress materials, blouse pieces, lehengas, bottoms, other women's apparel accessories

1.6 Crore units (FY24)

Total number of clothing pieces sold

05

Rs. 610.9 Crores FY24 Operational Revenue

Rs. 42.1 Crores FY24 EBITDA

06

Strong product catalogue of more then 300,000 SKUs

07

59% (FY24) ROE 64% (FY24) ROCE

08

Timeline



1993

After three decades in the saree industry, promoters formally launched a partnership firm under the name "M/s. Saraswati Sarees Depot"

2015

Achieved a turnover exceeding Rs. 300 Crore; Inaugurated a new store in Kolhapur, covering 169,120 sq. ft.

2018

Surpassed a turnover of Rs. 400 Crore

2022

Surpassed a turnover of Rs. 500 Crore

2024

Opened a new purchase office in Surat spanning 25,000 sq. ft. located in close proximity to ousuppliers

2002

The firm hosted its inaugural annual promotional event, "Utsav."

2017

Expanded the product range to include ready-made garments, specifically "Kurtis." 2021

Established as a Private Limited Company; Launched a new store in Ulhasnagar 2023

Transitioned to a public company; Achieved a turnover exceeding
Rs. 600 Crore

Company Overview



Saraswati Saree Depot Limited (SSDL), a major sarees wholesaler, BEGAN IN 1966 AND IS ONE OF INDIA'S LEADING PLAYER IN THE B2B SEGMENT of this Industry

01

THEIR ANNUAL FLAGSHIP EVENT

"UTSAV", STARTED IN 2002, is a major sales driver, contributing 13-15% to annual revenues with special offers and exclusive collections.

03

The company's REVENUE GREW FROM Rs. 222.9

CRORE IN FY2014
to SALES EXCEEDING Rs. 600 CRORE IN FY2024,
GENERATING A CAGR OF 10.4% OVER THIS PERIOD

05

The company's main revenue comes from sarees (over 90%), but they also wholesale OTHER WOMEN'S APPAREL LIKE KURTIS, LEHENGAS, AND OTHER WOMEN DRESS MATERIALS AS WELL AS ACCESSORIES.

IN 2015, SSDL MOVED TO A NEW 169,120 SQ. FT. FACILITY IN UCHGAON, KOLHAPUR, enhancing its shopping experience with dedicated sections for various apparel with expansion into ready made garments for women in 2017

SSDL SOURCES SAREES FROM OVER 900 WEAVERS
ACROSS MAJOR INDIAN HUBS like
Surat, Varanasi, Mau, Madurai, Dharmavaram, Kolkata, and Bengaluru

Experienced Management



Chairman & Executive Director

With 38 years in the apparel industry, he has extensive expertise in saree manufacturing, marketing, and business development. His leadership has driven the company's growth and guided the board in critical decisions and strategy.



Executive Director

With over 30 years in the apparel industry, he specializes in brand creation and management. He oversees sales operations, customer relations, and marketing functions for the company.





Managing Director & CEO

With over 27 years in the apparel industry and being a second-generation member of the company, he oversees product development, business development, operations, and administration. He has played a key role in establishing connections with weaving houses across India and has consistently enhanced efficiency throughout various departments.



Executive Director

With over 29 years in the apparel industry, he manages the company's product and procurement functions, including supply chain management, supplier relations, and product quality control.



Business Process





Identification of weavers /suppliers by Procurement Team



Placing order with the identified weavers/suppliers for preparing of samples as per the specification



Inspection and examination of quality of the sample product by Procurement Team



Placing order with the identified weavers/- suppliers for approved products ▲



Photoshoots of the products, on a case to case basis



Packaging and dispatch of the products from weavers/suppliers unit to Stores



Goods are checked on arrival for any quality defects



Sales activity takes place at our stores



Products are subsequently dispatched to customers



Our Customers (retailers) subsequently sell the products to the end users.



Product Profile & Facilities

Diverse Product Profile



















Shirt & Pant Pieces

- Store Insights

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- Saraswati Saree Depot Ltd. manages two stores in Maharashtra: the first store is located in Kolhapur and the second one in Ulhasnagar
- The Kolhapur store, being the company's inaugural and flagship location, accounts for nearly 88% of the total combined sales
- The two stores collectively cover an area of 185,000+ square feet and offer the full range of the company's products
- In October 2024, the company acquired a new space in Surat, measuring close to 25,000 square feet. This facility is strategically located close to suppliers designated as a purchase office and will play a crucial role in reducing COGS



Key Strengths



Reputation &

Strong Brand



Saraswati Saree Depot is an established brand name and has built strong reputations over time for reliability and quality, fostering trust among their customer base.

Experienced Management: SSDL's promoters and management team consists of professionals with several years of experience and knowledge in the industry and their respective fields such as sales, marketing, technical support, R&D, supply chain, production and finance.



Customer Base &

Product portfolio

SSDL primarily sells in southern and western regions, including Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, and Tamil Nadu, serving over 13,000 unique customers in fiscal 2024. The top 10 customers contribute to less than 8% of total sales.

Extensive Product Portfolio: SSDL's Product portfolio is vast and versatile in women's apparel segment and includes sarees, kurtis, dress materials, blouse pieces, lehengas, bottoms, other women's apparel accessories and their product catalogue lists more than 300,000 different SKUs.



Diversified Supplier Base

SSDL has established strong relationships with manufacturers in key hubs like Surat, Varanasi, Mau, Madurai, Dharmavaram, Kolkata, and Bengaluru. They source sarees and women's apparel from over 900 weavers and suppliers across India. The top 10 suppliers account for less than 26% of total purchases.

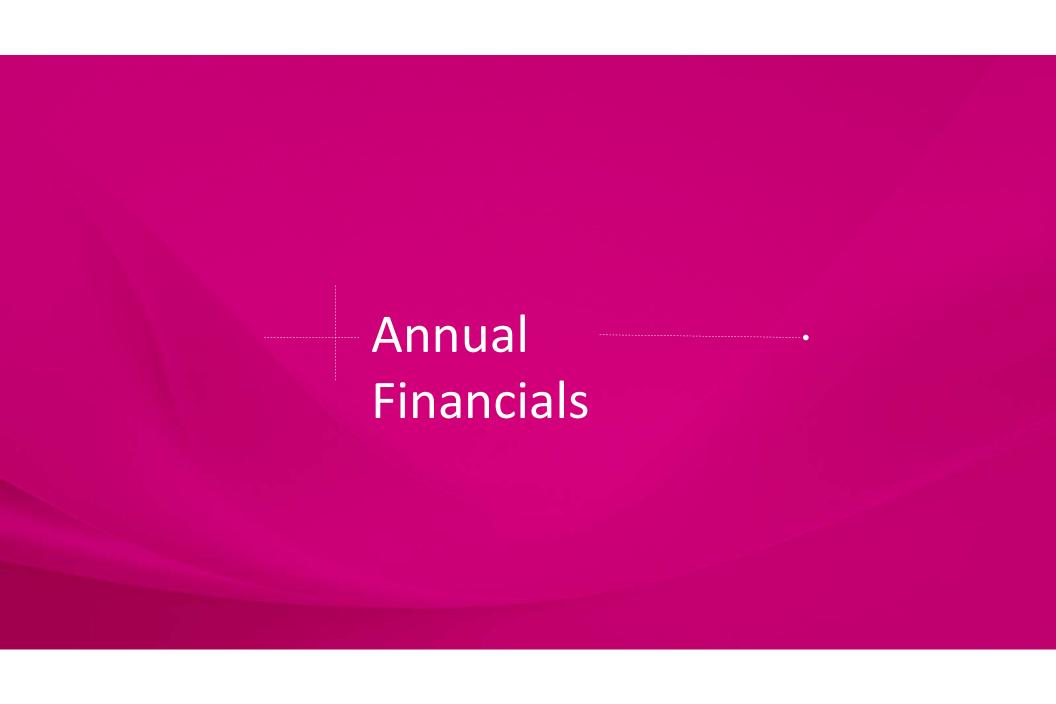


Bulk Buying

Abilities

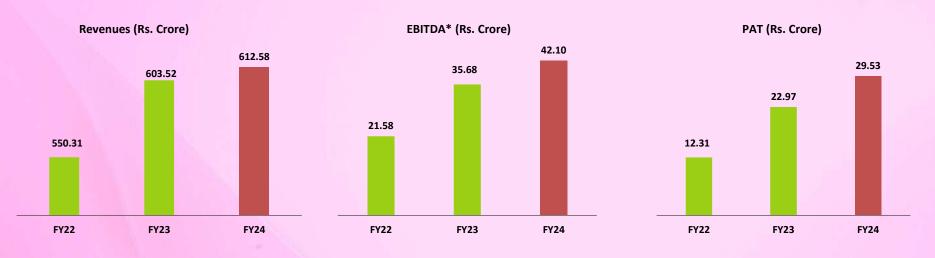
SSDL operates at a large scale in it's industry and procures products from its suppliers in large quantities which leads to achieve economies of scale and mitigate additional costs associated with smaller order size

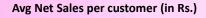
Major Organized Player: Saraswati Sarees is one of the major organized players of the country's saree and stands firm to capitalize on this market's growth



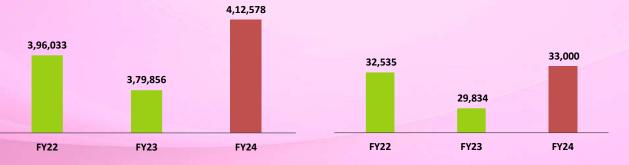
Annual Performance







Net Sales per sq.ft. area in use (in Rs.)

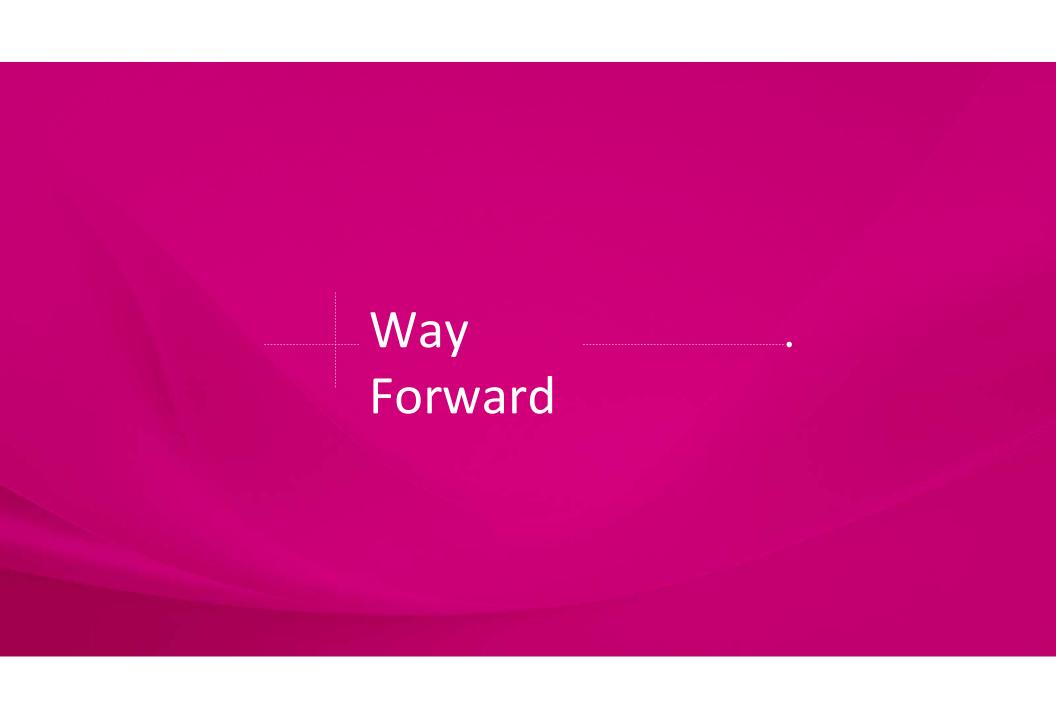


^{*}EBITDA is excluding Other Income

- Annual Income Statement



Particulars (Rs. Crore)	FY24	FY23	YoY
Revenue from Operations	610.90	601.89	1%
Other Income	1.68	1.63	
Total Income	612.58	603.52	2%
Purchase of Stock In Trade	548.99	547.94	
Changes in Inventories	(14.89)	(17.06)	
Employee Benefit Expenses	9.77	9.94	
Other Expenses	26.61	27.01	
EBITDA (excl. Other Income)	42.10	35.68	18%
EBITDA Margin (%)	7%	6%	
Depreciation	0.98	0.99	
Interest	2.47	3.81	
Profit before exceptional items	38.66	30.87	
Income from Associates	0.72	0.00	
РВТ	39.37	30.87	
Тах	9.84	7.89	
PAT	29.53	22.97	29%
PAT Margin (%)	5%	4%	



Industry Opportunity





Market Decline and Recovery

The saree industry, worth Rs. 558 billion in fiscal 2020, fell by ~43% in fiscal 2021 due to pandemic-related store closures. It rebounded by ~44% in fiscal 2022 as the economy reopened and postponed weddings boosted demand.



Current Growth

By fiscal 2024, the industry is valued at Rs. 515 billion, reflecting ~5% growth from the previous year as retail stores attracted more customers.



Consumer Trends

There is a growing preference for higher-quality, premium sarees, leading to increased average prices.





Organized Segment Growth

The organized saree sector, known for better customer experience, reliable fabrics, and standardized pricing, is growing at a 9-10% CAGR. It is expected to constitute 32-37% of the market by fiscal 2029, up from 25-30% currently.



Long-Term Outlook

The industry is projected to grow at a 5-6% CAGR from fiscal 2024 to 2029, reaching Rs. 650-675 billion by fiscal 2029.



Future Growth Drivers

Growth is expected to continue due to changing consumer preferences and the rise of organized, branded players in the market.

Source: Crisil Assessment of apparel industry in India

- Way Forward ---



Expanding into MEN'S ETHNIC WEAR



Plans to enter the men's ethnic wear market, capitalizing on the rise of multi-day weddings and growing interest in traditional festival outfits. This

market is expected to reach Rs. 3.8-3.9 trillion by FY29, growing at a 10-11% CAGR from fiscal 2024 to 2029*.

Strengthening **E-COMMERCE**



The company to invest in digital channels and establish a dedicated e-commerce team to enhance sales and provide a seamless shopping experience for B2B and B2C customers. By fiscal 2029, e-commerce is projected to make up 9-11% of the saree industry in India.

Enhancing Efficiency with

TECHNOLOGY



Aims to improve operational efficiency and supply chain management by upgrading IT infrastructure and adopting best practices. This investment in technology will lower costs, boos productivity, and enhance customer satisfaction. Enhanced data analytics will also provide valuable insights into customer preferences, driving sales and supporting growth.

Thank you

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