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SaaS & Subscription drive growth recovery...

About the stock: Incorporated in 1992, Newgen is a low code application development platform company. Geographical break-up is largely equal between India, EMEA, APAC & US.

Q2FY26 Performance: Newgen reported revenue of ₹400.8 crore, up 25% QoQ/ 11% YoY. Product/License revenue (18% of mix) grew by 11% YoY to ₹72 crore and Implementation revenues (23% of mix) grew by 16% YoY to ₹92 crore. Subscription revenues (ATS/AMC +SaaS) reported healthy 18.4% YoY revenue growth wherein SaaS revenue grew by 33% YoY while ATS/AMC grew by 11% YoY. Annuity revenues (ATS/AMC+ SaaS+ Support) reported growth of 9.1% YoY to ₹236.5 crore. EBITDA margin stood at 25.5%, up ~1150 bps QoQ/ ~260 bps YoY.

Investment Rationale

- SaaS-led growth driving rebound: Newgen delivered a healthy 11% YoY revenue growth in Q2FY26, led by 33% YoY growth in SaaS revenues (12% of revenue mix) and 16% YoY rise in implementation services (23% of revenue mix). The company's pivot toward annuity-based revenues is strengthening visibility, with SaaS and subscription momentum offsetting softness in traditional license sales (18% of revenue mix) across India and EMEA which are seeing delay in large license deal closures. Newgen's focus on large deal wins in the US, Europe/UK, Singapore is paying off with 15 new logo additions in Q2. Moreover, revenue from high-margin mature geographies like the US (+21.5% YoY) and APAC (+22% YoY) is expected to sustain near-term growth momentum and improve revenue quality. Thus, we expect rupee revenue to grow at CAGR of ~15% (vs. ~13% earlier) over FY25-27E.
- Margin expansion driven by revenue mix: EBITDA margin expanded ~1150 bps QoQ/~260 bps YoY to 25.5%, aided by growing share of high-margin SaaS & mature markets revenue, coupled with Al-led productivity initiatives. While wage hikes in Q3FY26 may pose a marginal impact on margins, strong operating leverage, higher SaaS contribution (higher margin business) & productivity improvements from automation and AI are expected to support profitability ahead. Accordingly, we bake in EBITDA margins of 25.6%/25.5% in FY26E/FY27E.
- Al-led innovation fuelling long-term competitiveness: Newgen is leveraging Al to enhance service delivery and productivity, targeting 20-30% efficiency gains over the next year. Its Al-driven automation and document processing use cases are seeing strong adoption, particularly in government and enterprise segments. This focus on Al-led innovation not only strengthens its product differentiation but also supports margin expansion and scalability as clients increasingly shift toward digital transformation and SaaS-based platforms.

Rating and Target Price

Given the broad-based rebound in Q2, we upgrade to BUY (vs HOLD earlier) as we bake in higher revenue growth in FY26E/27E, with revised target price of ₹1,180 (vs ₹1,090 earlier); valuing it at a multiple of 40x P/E on FY27E EPS.



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Particulars	
Particular	Amount
Market Cap (₹ Crore)	13,889
Total Debt	-
Cash and Invest (₹ Crore)	924
EV (₹ Crore)	12,965
52 week H/L	1799/758
Equity capital	140.2
Face value	10.0
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Shareholding pattern								
	Dec-24 l	Mar-25	Jun-25	Sep-25				
Promoter	54.3	53.8	53.8	53.8				
FII	20.3	19.4	19.1	17.6				
DII	9.1	9.1	9.5	9.6				
Others	16.3	17.7	17.6	19.0				

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Key risks

Price Chart

- Continued delay in deal closures in core markets - India & EMEA:
- Prolonged softness in biggest vertical – Banking (68% of revenue mix)

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Key Financial Summary							
₹ Crore	FY23	FY24	FY25	5 Year CAGR (FY20-25)	FY26E	FY27E	2 Year CAGR (FY25-27E)
Net Sales	974	1,244	1,487	17.6	1,656	1,964	14.9
EBITDA	212	289	376	29.2	424	501	15.4
EBITDA Margins (%)	21.8	23.2	25.3		25.6	25.5	
Net Profit	176	252	315	34.1	355	420	15.5
EPS (₹)	12.5	17.4	22.1		24.8	29.4	
P/E	78.3	55.1	44.1		39.1	33.0	
RoNW (%)	18.0	20.6	20.8		19.9	20.1	
RoCE (%)	21.1	23.6	25.2		24.5	24.7	

Performance highlights and outlook

- Revenue Performance: Newgen reported revenue of ₹400.8 crore, up 25% QoQ/ 11% YoY.
- Geography performance: Geography wise on a YoY basis, the growth was driven by APAC (16% of the mix), US (24% of the mix), growing 22.2%, 21.5%, while India (29% of the mix) and EMEA (31% of the mix) grew by 6.7% and 3.2% respectively.
- India/EMEA: Both the core markets continue to see delay in large deal closures. However, both geos are expected to bounce back in the coming quarters, as per the management
- Vertical performance: Product/License revenue (18% of mix) grew by 11% YoY to ₹72 crore and Implementation revenues (23% of mix) grew by 16% YoY to ₹92 crore. On the other hand, Subscription revenues (ATS/AMC +SaaS) reported healthy 18.4% YoY revenue growth wherein SaaS revenue grew by 33% YoY while ATS/AMC grew by 11% YoY. Annuity revenues (ATS/AMC+ SaaS+ Support) reported growth of 9.1% YoY to ₹236.5 crore.
- Margin performance: EBITDA margin for the quarter stood at 25.5%, up ~1150 bps QoQ/ ~260 bps YoY, aided by growing share of high-margin SaaS & mature markets revenue, coupled with AI-led productivity initiatives. While wage hikes in Q3FY26 may pose a temporary margin headwind, strong operating leverage, higher SaaS contribution (higher margin business) & productivity improvements from automation and AI are expected to support profitability ahead. PAT came at ₹82 crore, up 64% QoQ/ 16% YoY. Moreover, Newgen invested 9% of revenues in R&D initiatives and 21% of revenues on various S&M activities during Q2FY26.
- Segment performance: Segment wise on a YoY basis, Others (11% of the mix), Government/ PSU (7% of the mix), Banking (68% of the mix) and Insurance & Healthcare (14% of the mix) grew by 74.4%, 29.5%, 4.8% and 3.6%.
- Insurance: The insurance segment continues to see good traction as company continues to focus on this growth area, characterized by smaller deal sizes but improving deal conversion timelines.
- Deal Wins: The company secured 15 new logos during the quarter, up 25% QoQ and 88% YoY. Wins include a life and pensions consolidator in the UK market, a retail group in Europe, and engagements in Ghana and India for solutions related to Loan Management System and policy administration system.

Quarter Performance						
	Q2FY26	Q2FY25	YoY (%)	Q4FY25	QoQ (%)	Comments
Revenue	400.8	361.2	11.0	320.7	25.0	Product/ License revenue (18% of mix) grew by 11% YoY to ₹72 crore and Implementation revenues (23% of mix) grew by 16% YoY to ₹92 crore. On the other hand, Subscription revenues (ATS/AMC +SaaS) reported healthy 18.4% YoY revenue growth wherein SaaS revenue grew by 33% YoY while ATS/AMC grew by 11% YoY. Annuity revenues (ATS/AMC+SaaS+ Support) reported growth of 9.1% YoY to ₹236.5 crore.
Employee expense	188.6	184.7	2.1	181.5	3.9	
Gross Margin	212.2	176.5	20.2	139.1	52.5	
Gross margin (%)	52.9	48.9	408 bps	43.4	955 bps	
Other expense	109.8	93.5	17.5	94.1	16.6	
EBITDA	102.4	83.0	23.4	45.0	127.6	
EBITDA Margin (%)	25.5	23.0	257 bps	14.0	1152 bps	EBITDA margin for the quarter stood at 25.5%, up \sim 1150 bps QoQ/ \sim 260 bps YoY, aided by growing share of high-margin SaaS & mature markets revenue, coupled with Al-led productivity initiatives.
Depreciation & amortisation	9.1	8.0	13.9	9.1	0.5	
EBIT	93.3	75.0	24.4	35.9	159.6	
EBIT Margin (%)	23.3	20.8	251 bps	11.2	1207 bps	
Other income (less interest)	12.0	17.6	-31.5	28.2	-57.3	
PBT	105.3	92.6	13.8	64.1	64.3	
Tax paid	23.6	22.2	6.1	14.4	64.0	
PAT	81.7	70.3	16.2	49.7	64.4	

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Financial Summary

Exhibit 1: Profit and loss	statement			₹ crore
(Year-end March)	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Total op.Income	1,244	1,487	1,656	1,964
Growth (%)	27.7	19.5	11.4	18.6
COGS (emp. expenses)	628	741	796	969
Other expenses	327	370	437	494
Total Op. Expenditure	955	1,111	1,232	1,463
EBITDA	289	376	424	501
Growth (%)	36.2	30.2	12.6	18.2
Depreciation	28	33	37	40
Other income (net)	43	59	70	81
PBT	304	402	457	542
Total Tax	53	87	102	121
PAT	252	315	355	420
Growth (%)	42.7	25.3	12.6	18.4
Diluted EPS (₹)	17.4	22.1	24.8	29.4
Growth (%)	39.4	26.6	12.6	18.4

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(Year-end March)	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
PBT	304	402	457	542
Add: Depreciation	28	33	37	40
Others	13	6	(70)	(81)
Inc/(dec) in working capital	(8)	(155)	(72)	(126)
Taxes paid	(55)	(71)	(102)	(121)
CF from operating activities	281	215	249	253
(Inc)/dec in Fixed Assets	(14)	(23)	(28)	(33)
Others	(205)	(149)	75	85
CF from investing activities	(219)	(172)	47	52
Dividend paid & dividend tax	(35)	(56)	(86)	(114)
Others	(12)	(12)	(5)	(4)
CF from financing activities	(47)	(68)	(91)	(118)
Net Cash flow	15	(25)	206	187
Exchange difference	1	4	-	-
Opening Cash	208	376	416	621
Closing cash & Bank	376	416	621	808

Exhibit 2: Cash flow statement

Exhibit 3: Balance Sheet				₹ crore
(Year-end March)	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Equity Capital	140	140	140	140
Reserve and Surplus	1,084	1,376	1,645	1,951
Total Shareholders funds	1,224	1,516	1,786	2,092
Total Debt	2	-	-	-
Lease liablity	35	41	41	41
Provisions	49	56	62	73
Other non current liabilties	-	-	-	-
Total Liabilities	1,309	1,613	1,888	2,206
Assets				
Property,plant and equipm	165	172	175	180
Goodwill	3	3	3	3
Intangibles	10	6	6	6
Right-of-use assets	71	77	66	54
Other non current assets	132	138	157	186
Cash & bank balance	376	416	621	808
Current Investments	365	508	508	508
Trade receivables	444	557	620	735
Unbilled revenue	-	-	-	-
Other financial assets	95	20	22	26
Other current assets	27	148	164	195
Total Current Assets	1,306	1,648	1,936	2,272
Trade payables	48	50	56	67
Lease liablity	12	13	13	13
OCL & provisions	318	369	386	417
Total Current Liabilities	377	432	455	496
Net Current Assets	929	1,216	1,481	1,776
Application of Funds	1,309	1,613	1,888	2,206

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 4: Key ratios				
(Year-end March)	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Per share data (₹)				
Diluted EPS	17.4	22.1	24.8	29.4
Cash EPS	20.0	24.9	27.9	32.9
BV	87	108	127	149
DPS	2.5	4.0	6.1	8.2
Cash Per Share	27	30	44	58
Operating Ratios (%)				
EBITDA margin	23.2	25.3	25.6	25.5
PBT Margin	24.5	27.0	27.6	27.6
PAT Margin	20.2	21.2	21.4	21.4
Debtor days	130	137	137	137
Unbilled days	-	-	-	-
Creditor days	14	12	12	12
Return Ratios (%)				
RoE	20.6	20.8	19.9	20.1
RoCE	23.6	25.2	24.5	24.7
RoIC	33.9	37.8	39.5	41.5
Valuation Ratios (x)				
P/E	55.1	44.1	39.1	33.0
EV / EBITDA	45.5	34.5	30.1	25.1
EV / Net Sales	10.6	8.7	7.7	6.4
Market Cap / Sales	11.2	9.3	8.4	7.1
Price to Book Value	11.3	9.2	7.8	6.6
Solvency Ratios				
Debt/EBITDA	0.0	-	-	_
Debt / Equity	0.0	_	_	_
Current Ratio	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.5
Quick Ratio	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.5

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research



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