

Q2-26 earnings beat driven by temporary margin expansion; which was prompted by supply shortages

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- **The company's revenue** totaled at SAR 2,774mn in Q2-26, up 7.2% Y/Y (-8.7% Q/Q), below our estimate of SAR 2,859mn (deviation -3.0%). Sales increase was driven by higher revenue across most product categories, particularly smartphones. Additionally, the Company's GCC subsidiaries delivered strong sales performance, supported by inventory accumulated in prior periods and the efficiency of the Company's logistics network. In terms of branch expansion, Jarir opened one new showroom in Q2-26 in Granada mall Riyadh, while the company opened two replacement showrooms in Kuwait and Jeddah.
- **Gross profits** increased by 24.0% Y/Y to SAR 340.3mn (-0.4% on a sequential basis) 13.8% above our expectation of SAR 299mn; The GP margin stood at 12.3% in Q2-26 as compared to 10.6% in Q2-25 and 11.2% in Q1-26. The Y/Y improvement in gross margins is owed to less promotional price discounts due to supply shortages, and favorable change in the sales mix toward relatively higher-margin product sections, with sections such as school supplies and books achieving higher sales.
- **Operating profit** was recorded at SAR 252.5mn (+16.4% Y/Y and -6.0% Q/Q), 11.7% above our estimate of SAR 226mn. Operating margins expanded by 72bps Y/Y to 9.1%, the OPEX-to-sales ratio increased to 3.2% in Q2-26, as compared to 2.2% in Q2-25, primarily due to higher selling & marketing expense and increased general & administrative expenses.

AJBC view and valuation: Jarir posted strong set of results in Q2-26, however we believe that this improvement is not sustainable as it was supported by supply shortages. Where we acknowledge companies strong performance in online segment, we highlight that this segment has significantly lower margins due to very high competition. Moreover, limited share in high margin home appliances segment and ongoing digitalisation in schools/offices are key headwinds for the stock. Overall, after the 39.6% YTD increase in stock price the Company trades at 2026E PE of 18.8x, hence we retain our “Neutral” recommendation on the stock with a TP of **SAR 16.1/share**.

Results Summary

SAR mn	Q2-25	Q1-26	Q2-26	Change Y/Y	Change Q/Q	Deviation from AJBC Estimates
Revenue	2,589	3,039	2,774	7.2%	-8.7%	-3.0%
Gross Profit	274.4	341.7	340.3	24.0%	-0.4%	13.8%
Gross Margin	10.6%	11.2%	12.3%	-	-	-
EBIT	216.9	268.6	252.5	16.4%	-6.0%	11.7%
Net Profit	197.2	253.5	235.6	19.5%	-7.1%	11.5%
EPS	0.16	0.21	0.20	-	-	-

Source: Company Reports, Aljazira Capital Research

Recommendation	Neutral
Target Price (SAR)	16.1
Upside / (Downside)*	-9.8%

Source: Tadawul *prices as of 14th of July 2026

Key Financials

SARmn (unless specified)	FY23	FY24	FY25
Revenue	10,595	10,831	11,365
Growth %	12.8%	2.2%	4.9%
Gross Profit	1,276	1,324	1,416
EBIT	1,045	1,053	1,125
Net Profit	973	974	1,049
Growth %	0.3%	0.1%	7.7%
EPS	0.81	0.81	0.87
DPS	0.80	0.80	0.90

Source: Company reports, Aljazira Capital Research

Key Ratios

	FY23	FY24	FY25
Gross Margin	12.0%	12.2%	12.5%
Oper. Margin	9.9%	9.7%	9.9%
Net Margin	9.2%	9.0%	9.2%
P/E (x)	19.2	15.7	14.8
P/B (x)	10.6	8.8	8.6
EV/EBITDA (x)	15.8	13.1	11.9
Dividend Yield	5.1%	6.3%	6.6%

Source: Company reports, Aljazira Capital Research

Key Market Data

Market Cap(bn)	21.8
YTD%	39.6%
52 week (High)/(Low)	18.4/12.3
Share Outstanding (bn)	1.2

Source: Company reports, Aljazira Capital Research

Price Performance



Source: Tadawul, Aljazira Capital Research

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