

# Syngene

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<b>Scrip Code: 539268</b>	<b>Scrip Symbol: SYNGENE</b>

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Sub: Press Release in respect of results for the quarter and year ended March 31, 2021.**

This has reference to Regulation 30 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, please find enclosed the press release titled **“Syngene reports revenue from operations growth of 13% in the fourth quarter; 12% for the full year”**.

The above-mentioned press release will also be available on website of the Company [www.syngeneintl.com](http://www.syngeneintl.com).

This is for your information and records.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully,

For **SYNGENE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED**

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**Enclosed: Press Release along with fact sheet**

**Press Release**

**Syngene reports revenue from operations growth of 13%  
in the fourth quarter; 12% for the full year**

Bangalore, April 27, 2021, Syngene International Limited today announced its fourth-quarter and full year results. The Company reported quarterly revenue from operations of Rs. 659 Cr and Rs. 2,184 Cr for the full year. Underlying revenue from operations (excluding export incentives) for the quarter grew 13% compared with the same period last year and by 12% for the full year. Profit after tax (before exceptional gain) for the quarter increased by 15% year-on-year to Rs. 138 Cr, and by 4% to Rs. 382 Cr for the full year.

Commenting on the results, **Jonathan Hunt, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Syngene International Limited**, said, *"Syngene's fourth quarter revenue reflects steady growth from Discovery Services, Manufacturing Services and the Dedicated Centres through the year.*

*The highlight of the quarter was the extension of our long-standing partnership with Bristol Myers Squibb (BMS) until 2030. This renewal underlines the value we deliver as BMS's largest R&D hub outside the US. Under the new agreement, we will increase the number of scientists working on BMS projects and expand our scope of work to cover new areas of science.*

*Despite the challenge posed by the pandemic, our commitment to prudent management and the resilience of our workforce, has enabled us to navigate through a challenging year to deliver a solid performance. The pandemic will continue to be a factor in the coming year and we have taken this into account as we plan for continued growth in the next 12 months."*

**Quarterly Financial Highlights** (All numbers are in Indian rupees in Crores except margins)

	Q4 FY21	Q4 FY20	YoY Change (%)
Revenue from Operations (excluding export incentives)	659	584	13
Revenue	677	628	8
EBITDA	234	225	4
EBITDA margin (%)	34.5	35.8	
PAT (before exceptional gain)	138	120	15
PAT Margin (%)	20.4	19.1	
<b>PAT (after exceptional gain, net of taxes)</b>	161	120	34

**FY21 Financial Highlights** (All numbers are in Indian rupees in Crores except margins)

	FY21	FY20	YoY Change (%)
Revenue from Operations (excluding export incentives)	2,180	1,947	12
Revenue	2,249	2,094	7
EBITDA	736	700	5
EBITDA margin (%)	32.7	33.4	
<b>PAT (before exceptional gain)</b>	382	366	4
PAT Margin (%)	17.0	17.5	
<b>PAT (after exceptional gain, net of taxes)</b>	405	412	-2

**Fourth quarter business update**

Syngene's fourth-quarter growth was driven by steady performance across Discovery Services, Manufacturing Services and the Dedicated Centres.

During the quarter, the Company crossed a significant milestone with the extension of the collaboration with BMS until 2030. The BMS partnership dates from 1998 and a fully dedicated research center was set up in Bangalore in 2007. The new agreement includes an expansion in the breadth of drug discovery research, including chemistry, biology, drug metabolism, pharmacokinetics, and research focusing on translational medicine and pharmaceutical development. The agreement requires a 40% increase in the number of

scientists and an additional 50,000 sq. ft. of dedicated laboratory space. As part of this expansion, a number of additional scientists joined the company in the fourth quarter, the remainder will join in the next 18 months.

The Company's Mangalore API manufacturing facility completed the qualification process and is now a GMP<sup>1</sup>-certified facility. The Company also commissioned a new HPAPI<sup>2</sup> laboratory that will support scale-up for manufacturing.

### **Full year business update**

Syngene continued to build on its integrated drug discovery and development portfolio during the year, including a five-year collaboration with 3DC, the drug discovery and development subsidiary of Deerfield Management Company. Under the agreement, the two companies will collaborate to advance therapeutic discovery projects, from target validation to pharmacological proof of concept and pre-clinical evaluation.

Syngene is proud of its partnership with Albireo Pharma as the work completed in our laboratories of advancing odevixibat from pre-clinical supplies to regulatory filings in Europe and the US has put the compound on track to become the first approved drug for PFIC<sup>3</sup> patients. Other research projects which progressed during the year focused on leukemia, Parkinson's disease, inflammatory disorders, fibrotic disorders and orphan diseases.

In addition to serving the pharmaceuticals and biotechnology sectors, Syngene also strengthened its position in animal health and executed its first integrated project in this sector.

During the year, the Company expanded its research facility in Hyderabad by adding capacity for an additional 90 scientists. It also commissioned a new microbial manufacturing facility during the year to reduce its dependency on external service providers.

Continuing its track record of complying with global regulatory standards, the Company received the ISO/IEC 27001:2013 accreditation for the majority of operating units. ISO/IEC 27001:2013 specifies the requirements for establishing, implementing, maintaining, and continually improving an information security management system within the

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<sup>1</sup> Good Manufacturing Practices

<sup>2</sup> Highly potent active pharmaceutical ingredients

<sup>3</sup> Progressive Familial Intrahepatic Cholestasis

organization's context. The accreditation includes provisions for assessing and treating information security risks tailored to the organization's needs. The Company has also successfully renewed its accreditation with the College of American Pathologists that certifies compliance to global quality standards, making it a strong candidate to participate in global clinical trial studies.

Based on the Company's strong fundamentals, sound business model, robust liquidity position, client base, and healthy financial risk profile, CRISIL and ICRA upgraded Syngene's credit rating during the year to AA+ from AA.

As the world continued to fight the COVID-19 pandemic, Syngene used its research facilities and know-how to develop effective reagents for use in diagnostic kits to fight the coronavirus. These included the development of high-quality, mammalian-derived, viral proteins such as S1, RBD, and N protein for diagnostic testing and assays and proprietary antibodies (monoclonal and polyclonal) with high affinity and specificity for use in viral antigen detection and other such tests. It also supported clients with COVID-19 vaccine related projects.

The Company's ICMR-approved RT-PCR testing facility conducted close to 185,000 tests during the year, of which 90% were conducted free of cost to support its employees and the community. Syngene continues to manufacture remdesivir, a potential treatment for COVID-19 patients, for distribution in India and other countries under a voluntary license agreement with Gilead Inc.

Consistent with Government regulations, the Company recently started offering COVID-19 vaccination to employees and their families free of charge.

### **Guidance**

Despite the continuing uncertainty due to the pandemic, the focus of FY 22 is to deliver a higher level of business growth: we expect growth in revenue from operations to be in the mid-teens range in the coming year. The year will focus on investment-led growth with expansion in infrastructure, staff headcount and capability additions across our core businesses and the ramp-up of our sales presence in key markets. Reported EBITDA margins are expected to stay at, or around, 30%. We continue to invest in the growth of our business with additional capex investments which are likely to lead to single digit profit growth.

Our capex plan is expected to be in the range of Rs. 750– 900 Cr (USD 100 – 120 mn) for the financial year. This guidance includes the COVID pandemic as a continuing factor but assumes that there is no material deterioration in our operating environment. Should there be a material change in the operating environment, the Company will revisit and update its guidance as needed through the year.

### **Dividend**

Owing to the uncertainty created by an unprecedented second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic in India, the Board of Directors has deemed it prudent not to declare a dividend for the financial year 2020-21 in order to prioritise cash and maintain liquidity. As the business environment evolves over the coming months, the Board will review the dividend payable for FY 2021-22.

### **Earnings Call**

Syngene will host an investor call at 3.00 pm IST on April 28, 2021 where the senior management will discuss the Company's performance and answer questions from participants. Please dial the numbers provided below ten minutes ahead of the scheduled start time to participate in this conference call. The dial-in number for this call is +91 22 6280 1279 / +91 22 7115 8180 Other toll numbers are listed in the conference call invitation, which is posted on the Company website [www.syngeneintl.com](http://www.syngeneintl.com). The operator will provide instructions on asking questions before the start of the call. A replay of this call will also be available till May 5, 2021 on 91 22 71945757/ +91 22 66635757, Playback ID: 60830. We will aim to post the transcript of the conference call on the Company website within seven working days of the investor conference call.

### **About Syngene**

Syngene International Ltd. (BSE: 539268, NSE: SYNGENE, ISIN: INE398R01022), is an integrated research, development and manufacturing services company serving the global pharmaceutical, biotechnology, nutrition, animal health, consumer goods and specialty chemical sectors. Syngene's more than 4700 scientists offer both skills and the capacity to deliver great science, robust data management and IP security and quality manufacturing at speed, to improve time-to-market and lower the cost of innovation. With a combination of dedicated research facilities for Amgen, Baxter, Bristol-Myers Squibb and

Herbalife, as well as 2 Mn sq. ft of specialist discovery, development and manufacturing facilities, Syngene works with biotech companies pursuing leading-edge science as well as multinationals including GSK and Merck KGaA. For more details, visit [www.syngeneintl.com](http://www.syngeneintl.com).

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**SYNGENE GROUP**

**FACT SHEET**

**March - 2021**



SYNGENE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (CONSOLIDATED)		
BALANCE SHEET		
	(Rs. Crores)	
	31 March 2021	31 March 2020
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Non-current assets</b>		
Property, plant and equipment	2,032	1,877
Capital work-in-progress	237	234
Right-of-use assets	112	86
Investment property	38	36
Intangible assets	19	21
Financial assets		
(i) Investments	279	38
(ii) Derivative assets	62	25
(iii) Other financial assets	104	15
Deferred tax assets (net)	89	123
Income tax assets (net)	87	76
Other non-current assets	18	19
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>3,077</b>	<b>2,550</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Inventories	60	25
Financial assets		
(i) Investments	423	738
(ii) Trade receivables	339	398
(iii) Cash and cash equivalents	323	193
(iv) Bank Balances other than (iii) above	319	89
(v) Derivative assets	71	19
(vi) Other financial assets	171	69
Other current assets	100	82
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>1,806</b>	<b>1,613</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>4,883</b>	<b>4,163</b>
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Equity</b>		
Equity share capital	400	400
Other equity	2,421	1,776
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>2,821</b>	<b>2,176</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Non - current liabilities</b>		
Financial liabilities		
(i) Borrowings	512	-
(ii) Lease liabilities	105	81
(iii) Derivative liabilities	23	138
Provisions	52	41
Other non-current liabilities	237	188
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>448</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Financial liabilities		
(i) Borrowings	260	309
(ii) Lease liabilities	15	6
(iii) Trade payables	242	222
(iv) Derivative liabilities	2	55
(v) Other financial liabilities	94	495
Provisions	46	42
Income tax liabilities (net)	13	11
Other current liabilities	461	399
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>1,133</b>	<b>1,539</b>
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>	<b>4,883</b>	<b>4,163</b>

**SYNGENE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (CONSOLIDATED)**  
**PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT**

(Rs. Crores, except per share data)

Particulars	Q4 FY 21	Q4 FY 20	Variance
<b>INCOME</b>			
Revenue from operations excluding export incentives	659	584	13%
Export incentives	-	23	-100%
Other income	18	21	-10%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Material and power costs	176	156	13%
Staff costs	183	164	11%
Foreign exchange (net)	(5)	1	-883%
Other expenses	89	82	8%
<b>Material, power, staff, forex and other expenses</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>403</b>	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>4%</b>
Finance costs	7	10	-29%
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	70	62	12%
<b>PROFIT BEFORE TAX AND EXCEPTIONAL ITEM</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>3%</b>
Tax on above	19	33	
<b>PROFIT AFTER TAX BEFORE EXCEPTIONAL ITEM</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>15%</b>
Exceptional item, net of taxes	23	-	
<b>NET PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>34%</b>
EPS - Basic	4.04	3.03	
EPS - Diluted	4.01	3.02	

Note: a) The figures are rounded off to the nearest crore, percentages are based on absolute numbers

**SYNGENE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (CONSOLIDATED)**  
**PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT**

(Rs. Crores, except per share data)

Particulars	Q4 FY 21	Q3 FY 21	Variance
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>			
Revenue from operations excluding export incentives	659	584	13%
Export incentives	-	1	-100%
Other income	18	17	8%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>			
Material and power costs	176	162	8%
Staff costs	183	176	4%
Foreign exchange (net)	(5)	(8)	-47%
Other expenses	89	79	13%
<b>Material, power, staff, forex and other expenses</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>409</b>	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>21%</b>
Finance costs	7	7	-7%
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	70	70	0.4%
<b>PROFIT BEFORE TAX AND EXCEPTIONAL ITEM</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>35%</b>
Tax on above	19	14	
<b>PROFIT AFTER TAX BEFORE EXCEPTIONAL ITEM</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>35%</b>
Exceptional item, net of taxes	23	-	
<b>NET PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>57%</b>
EPS - Basic	4.04	2.57	
EPS - Diluted	4.01	2.55	

Note: a) The figures are rounded off to the nearest crore, percentages are based on absolute numbers

**SYNGENE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (CONSOLIDATED)****PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT****(Rs. Crores, except per share data)**

Particulars	FY 21	FY 20	Variance
<b>INCOME</b>			
Revenue from operations excluding export incentives	2,180	1,947	12%
Export incentives	4	65	-94%
Other income	65	82	-21%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>2,249</b>	<b>2,094</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Material and power costs	584	565	3%
Staff costs	660	580	14%
Foreign exchange (net)	(17)	(14)	19%
Other expenses	286	263	9%
<b>Material, power, staff, forex and other expenses</b>	<b>1,513</b>	<b>1,394</b>	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>736</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>5%</b>
Finance costs	28	35	-20%
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	274	219	25%
<b>PROFIT BEFORE TAX AND EXCEPTIONAL ITEM</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>-3%</b>
Tax on above	52	80	
<b>PROFIT AFTER TAX BEFORE EXCEPTIONAL ITEM</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>4%</b>
Exceptional item, net of taxes	23	46	
<b>NET PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>-2%</b>
EPS - Basic	10.18	10.38	
EPS - Diluted	10.11	10.35	

Note: a) The figures are rounded off to the nearest crore, percentages are based on absolute numbers