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For Quess Corp Limited

Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

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# **Winning Together**

Investor Presentation *Q2FY22* 

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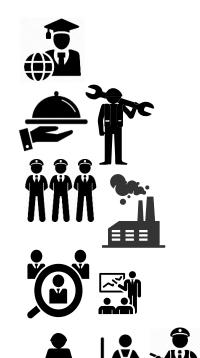




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Leading domestic private sector employer,

with ~401,000 FTE

Only service provider with offerings across

employment models



# India's largest business services platform, driving productivity for customers



### **Front End Processes**

### **Support Processes**



Marketing Services\*



In-store & Field Sales\*



**Omni channel CLM & Backoffice Services** 



Staffing & **Payroll** 



**Compliance Tech & Services** 



**Facilities** Maintenance



Collections\*



**Installation & After Sales Services\*** 



**Industrial Operations &** Maintenance



Manned & **Electronics Security** 



**F&A & HR Operations** 



Infrastructure & **Digital IT Services** 

# We operate across 3 synergistic platforms





### **Workforce Management**

- General staffing across Retail, BFSI,
   Telecom, Industrial, etc., mostly grey
   collared talent
- Taskmo on-demand task fulfilment platform
- Professional staffing services in India & APAC
- Training and skill development for employability across 120+ training centres in India

### **Global Technology Solutions**

- CLM solutions (Voice and Non-voice CLM) for Indian & North American customers, delivered from India and the Philippines
- Non-Voice BPO: Collections and F&A outsourcing for Indian customers
- Platform business: Insurtech Platform in North America and Payroll services to enterprises, mainly in India
- IT services in North America & India
- Emerging Business
  - MonsterIndia.com job portal
  - Digicare installation and after sales services
  - Qjobs blue collar hiring platform

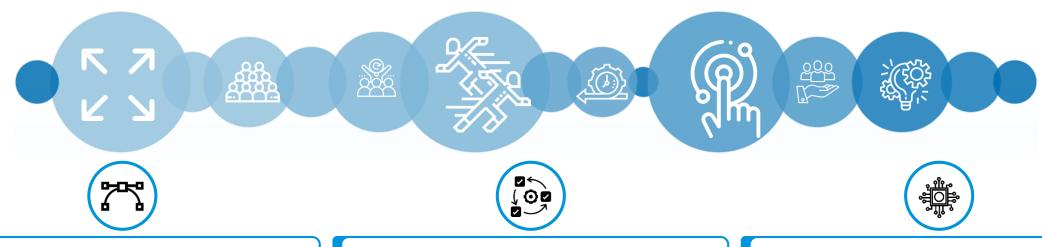
### **Operating Asset Management**

- Facilities management solutions (e.g., janitorial, F&B, landscaping, technical services, pest control) across India
- Manned & electronic security across
   India
- Operations and maintenance services across industrial segments such as Power, Metals, Cement, Telecoms, etc. and a renewed focus on manufacturing sector

We are the leading service provider in India in most of the services provided

# Our customer proposition is unrivalled





### Scale

- ~401,000\* associates and employees over 600+ cities
- International operations in South East
   Asia, North America & the Middle East
- 3,000+ clients, 65 offices in 34 Indian cities

### **Agility**

- An entrepreneurial 14-year old startup
- Widest repertoire of services, including up-skilling platform
- We deliver tailor made solutions per customer needs, consistently
- Unrivalled capabilities to Source,
   Screen and Select talent (65mn+ database, tech-led hiring via MonsterIndia.com and QJobs)

### **Technology**

- Significant frontline productivity capabilities (e.g., WorQ, QJobs, Taskmo)
  - Digitised hire-to-retire platform
  - Leading front-line productivity tools

# We lead with technology and innovation





### **Digital Hire-to-Retire**

### Sourcing



 Digital sourcing via auto-hiring engines, with digital pre-screening and assessment via QJobs and Monster

#### Recruiting

 End-to-end ATS ReQruit platform from mandate creation, to candidate tagging and offer generation

## Onboarding

Paperless on-boarding of candidates within 14 minutes via POP (Paperless On-boarding Platform)



### **Payrolling**



 Flow-through payroll processing and payslip generation on proprietary cloud-based
 QPay and SmartPay platforms

#### **Compliance**

 Al-driven RegTech engine, <u>Simpliance</u>, to ensure compliance with Laws



### **Technology-led Frontline Productivity**

### Digital workflow management

 WorQ WorkTech platform to remotely assign & monitor tasks, driving frontline productivity

### Digitally delivered skilling

 WorQ digital skilling modules to efficiently train & continuously update employees

# Processes and tooling

 Superior tooling and SOPs to drive productivity and improve dignity of labour

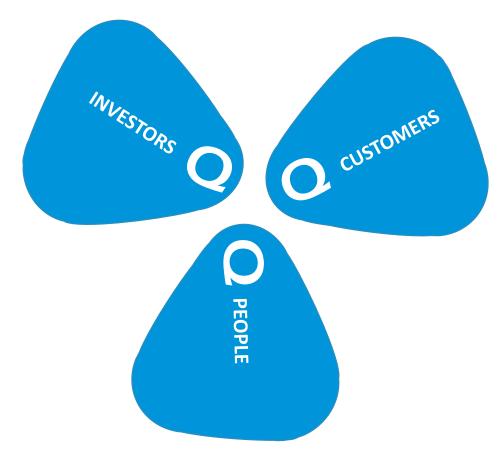
### Ensuring flexibility and higher productivity

<u>Taskmo</u>, an on-demand task fulfilment platform to manage seasonal demand through a distributed network of gigworkers that ensures higher flexibility to customers at lower costs

# Our focus is on Winning Together with our Customers, People and Investors



- Achieving and sustaining 20% RoE
- Delivering 20% CAGR on OCF
- Enhancing investor value through judicious capital allocation

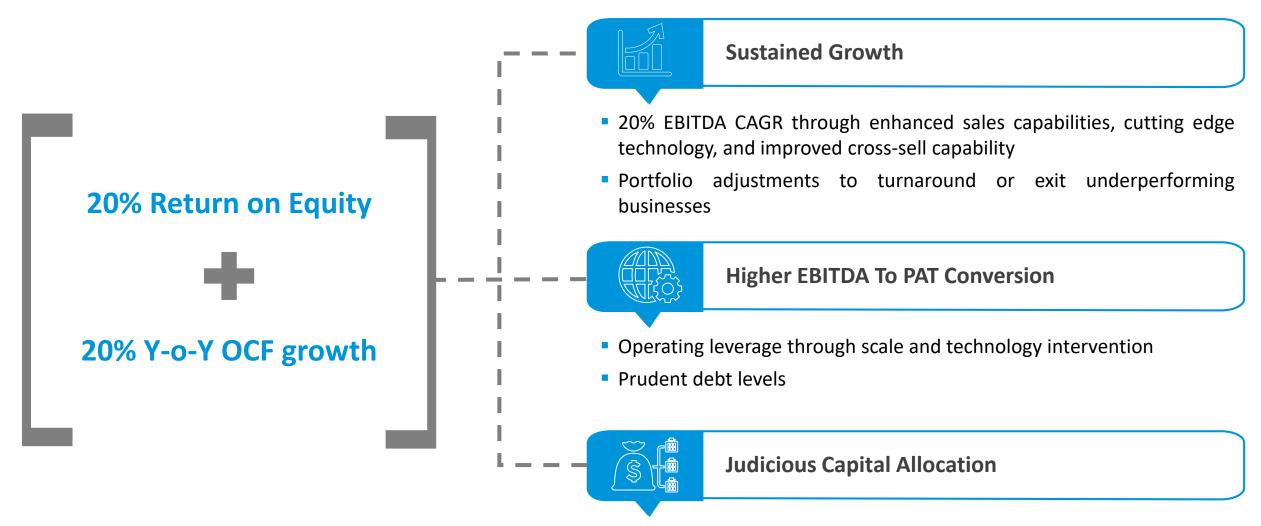


- Leveraging **technology** to become extensions of our customers' operations
- **Innovating** our services to meet customer needs
- Helping our customers enjoy greater productivity, enhanced flexibility and lower costs

- Continuing to be a **Great Place To Work**
- Developing leading practitioners of our trade
- Continuously learning, to drive performance

# Winning with Investors: The path to 20%

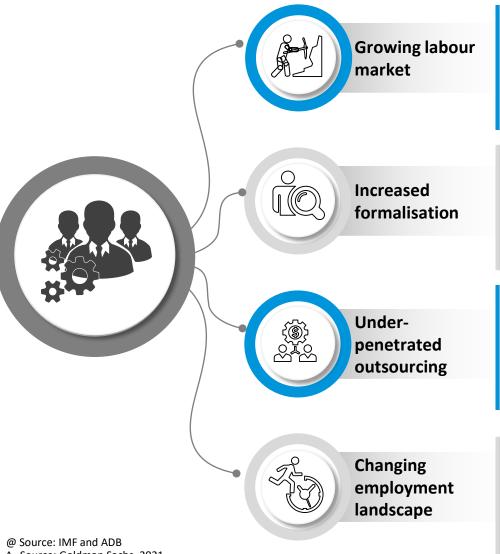




- Capital allocation strategically aligned to 20% Return on Equity
- ~33% of FCF returned to shareholders over 3 years

# We enjoy massive macroeconomic tailwinds





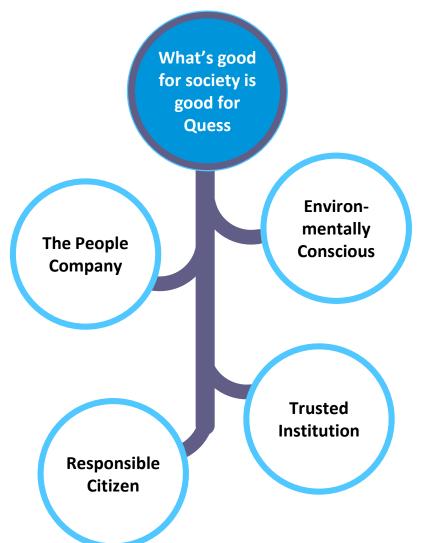
- Indian GDP expected to grow between 8-10%@ between 2021-22
- 493 million Indian labour force growing at 5.7% CAGR (2015-20)
- One of the world's largest labour forces, experiencing a tectonic shift in composition and focus
- Formalisation<sup>^</sup> to increase from 20.8% currently to 30.3% by 2025,
- ~42 million new PF subscribers and ~50 million new ESIC subscribers in India just over the last 3 years
- GST registered firms increased from 7.5mn in 2017 to over 12mn currently
- Indian companies increasingly exploring outsourcing to drive productivity and flexibility
- 0.7%\* penetration of flexi staffing in India as compared to ~3% in most developed markets\*\*
- Proposed new labour codes to accelerate formalization, compliance and outsourcing
- Huge potential to improve labour productivity through increased usage of technology, as minimum wages rise
- Gig economy to create ~90# million jobs and contribute incremental 1.25%# to country's GDP over the long term

- Source: Goldman Sachs, 2021
- \* Source: Indian Staffing Federation, 2019 \*\* Source: World Employment Confederation
- # Source: Boston Consulting Group, 2021

### We have a clear ESG framework



- >106,000 employees (30%) hired in FY21 enjoyed first time social security benefits
- ~95,000 employees (~27%) hired in FY21 were from outside Tier 1 and Tier 2 cities
- ~17% of our ~363K employees (~26% of core) are women as on 31 March 2021
- Re-certified Great Place to Work
- ~132,000 employees surveyed revealed Happiness score of 3.85 (on a scale of 4)
- At the frontline of the fight against COVID 57 hospitals, 3 airports and 11 infrastructure and public utilities maintained during COVID-19
- Keeping India safe through our network ~17,000 security professionals
- ~Rs. 2,900 crore of taxes and statutory contributions paid in FY21, representing 26% of Revenue



- 4.2 million sq. ft. of green spaces maintained across India in FY21
- Business model drives e-waste reduction -~900,000 devices repaired by QDigi in FY21
- Responsible waste management, including ~500 kgs of e-waste disposed responsibly and ~5,500 kgs of paper waste shredded and recycled in FY21
- Values-driven company, at the forefront of driving responsible labour practices in India
- Industry-leading business processes, with robust culture on Code of Conduct, Anti-Bribery & Corruption, Whistle Blower, etc.
- Quess Corp and our large subs (AllSec and Connegt) are ISO 27001:2013 certified















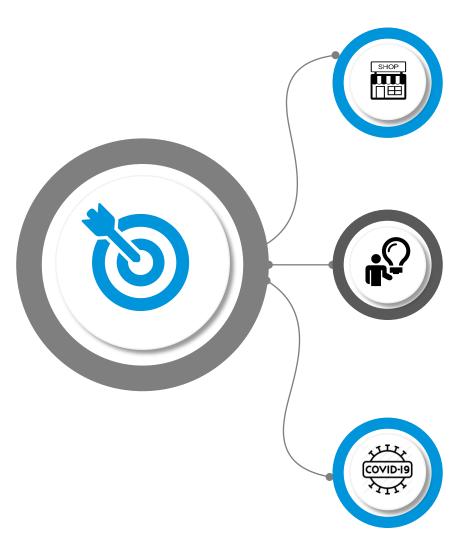




Key Corporate and Financial Updates

# Update on Q2 operating environment





#### **Opportunity-rich hiring environment**

- The Monster Employment Index (MEI)\* of hiring activity increased by 6% between Jun-21 and Sep-21
- Our Allsec payroll data shows over 11% increase in same-customer payslips processed in September this year versus March 20 pre-COVID, reflecting broad-based growth in employment amongst large enterprises across sectors.
- IT, BFSI, e-commerce and FMCD sectors have especially shown strong improvement in recruitment activity

#### Higher attrition, requiring superior sourcing capabilities

- Recent research showed that almost 62% of India's workforce have intentions of switching jobs this year compared to an average of 41% globally.
- Attrition is at its highest level in a decade at 20% on an average for all sectors in India

#### Specific businesses still impacted by COVID

- Facilities management and security services remained muted in IT/ITES and Education sectors, given limited return to office
- Training & Skill Development impacted as continuity of training batches was hampered by lockdowns
- Food business impacted from delays in work from office

# Q2'22 Financial Highlights



#### Revenue:

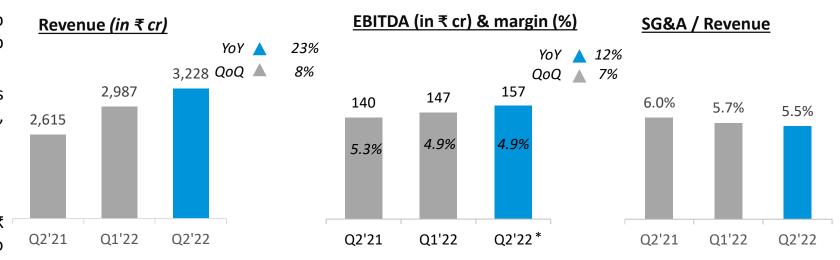
- Up 23% YoY driven by General Staffing (up 27%), ConneQt (up 27%), and Industrials (up 24%)
- Up 8% QoQ, given macroeconomic tailwinds and strong execution. General Staffing (up 6%), ConneQt (up 10%), and Industrials (up 10%)

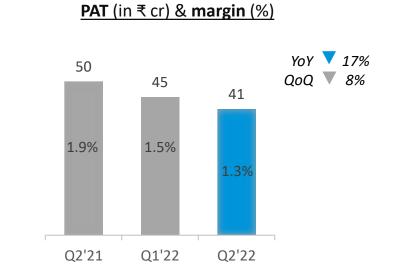
#### **Profitability:**

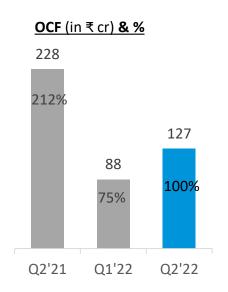
- EBITDA from operations up 12.0% YoY to ₹ 157cr, lower than revenue growth due to service mix change
- SG&A / Revenue decreased YoY from 6.0% to 5.6% due to operational efficiencies
- PAT down 17% YoY due to exceptional non-cash items

### Cash Generation:

- OCF / Operating EBITDA conversion at 100%
- DSO stable at ~58 days
- Net debt position improved to ₹ 68cr in Q2'22 against ₹ 151cr in Q1'22







# Q2'22 Corporate Updates



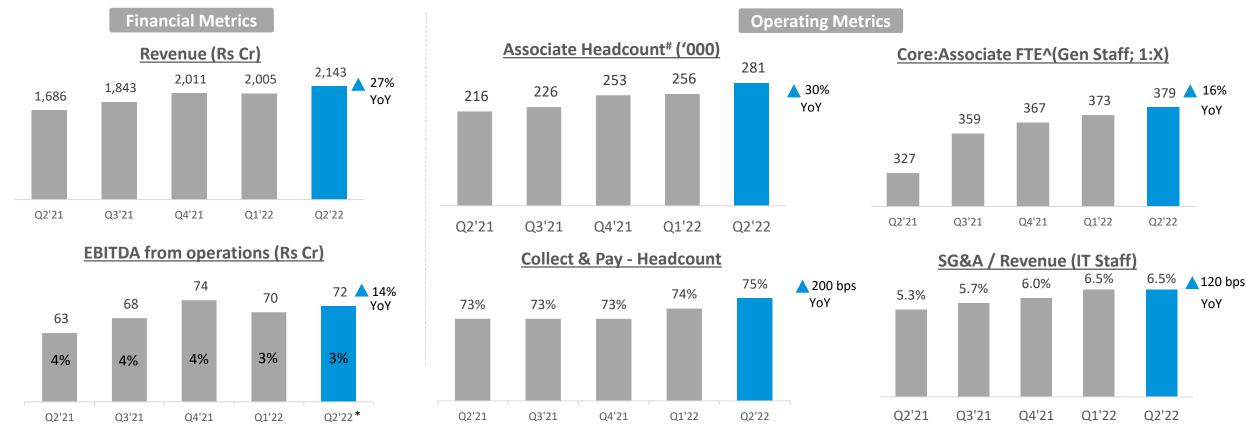
- Declared interim dividend of INR 4/- during the board meeting scheduled on 13<sup>th</sup> Nov,2021
- Named amongst the Top 10 HR Tech solution providers in India by the Enterprise World magazine
- 2 of our GTS service lines Multi Country Payroll (MCP) Solutions and Insurance Platform IT Services debuted amongst global contenders on the Everest Peak Matrices
- Increased equity stake in Taskmo from 33.33% to 36.58% against consideration of approximately INR 80lakh





# Workforce management – Performance Snapshot



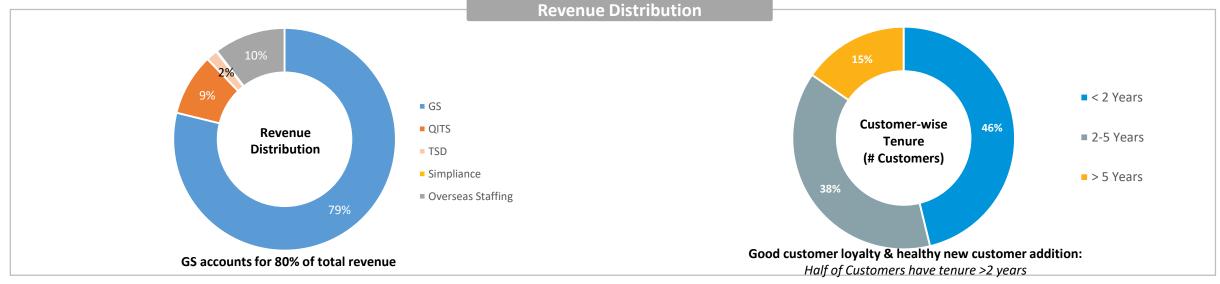


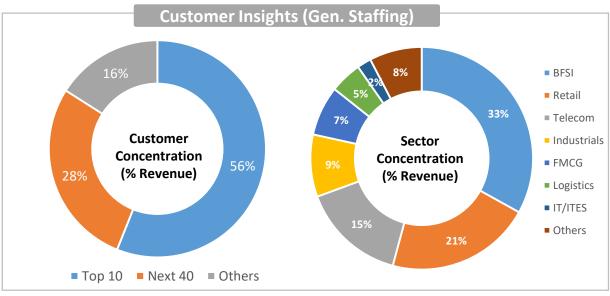
#### **Key developments:-**

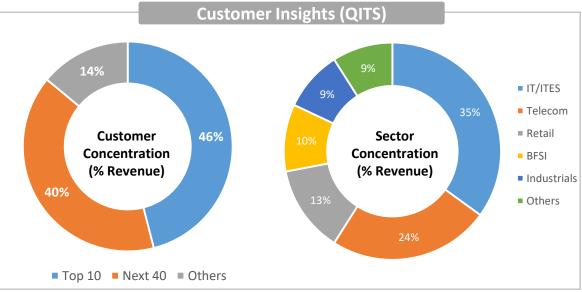
- General Staffing headcount >250k, a first in Indian staffing industry. New customers accounted for >25% incremental HC. Revenue up 27% YoY and 6% QoQ, EBITDA up 10% QoQ.
- IT Staffing domestic headcount flat due to high attrition, with improved mix towards high margin. EBITDA up 43% YoY and 8% QoQ. Focus on high margin segments and strengthened delivery will drive profitability growth
- Training & Skill Development continued focus on running off legacy government projects, driving collections, and further optimising productivity. Difficult environment driving business volatility

# Workforce Management – Revenue Distribution and **Customer Insights**



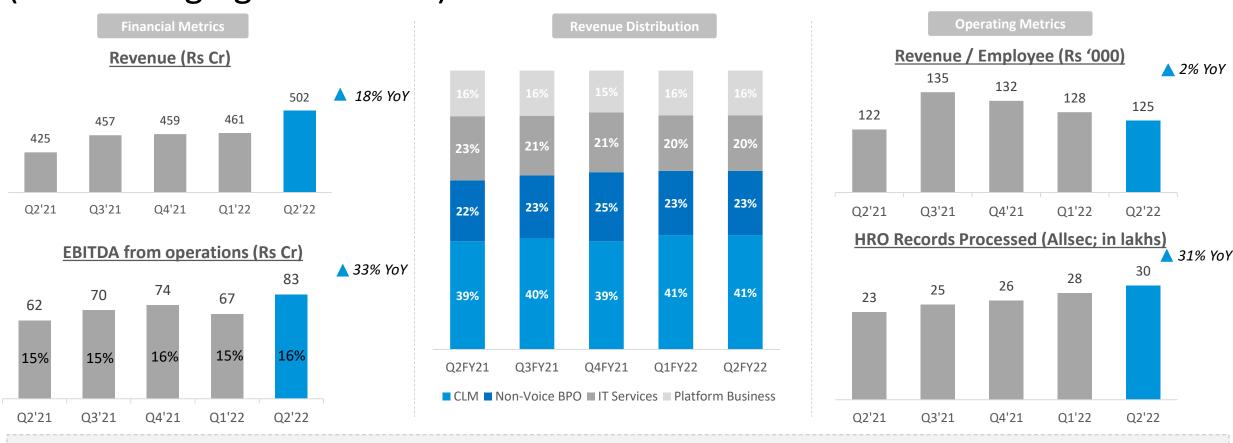






# Global Technology Solutions – Performance Snapshot (excl. Emerging Businesses)





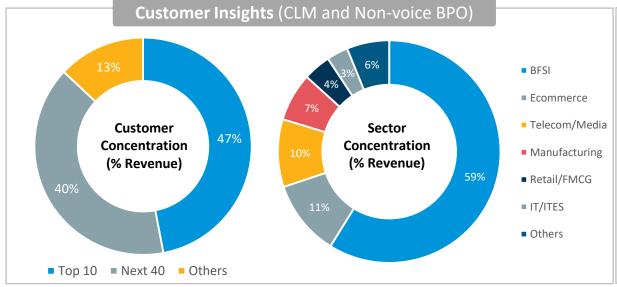
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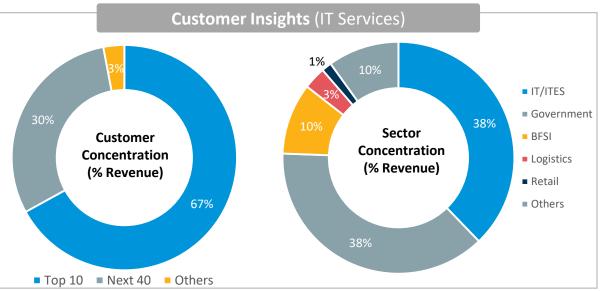
- CLM: Revenue up 25% YoY and 9% QoQ. Record sales across Connegt and Allsec; Allsec with more new logos in H1 than in the past 2 years combined
- Non-CLM BPO: Collection business revenue up 24% YoY and 13% QoQ, as restrictions across country eased up. F&A business revenue up 23% YoY
- Platform based services (InsurTech in US and HRO in India): HRO platform payslips processed per quarter up 31% YoY, crossed 1 million payslips per month. US Insurtech revenues up 10% QoQ on the back of strengthened GTM
- IT Services: Domestic IT Services up 41% YoY and 20% QoQ, largely driven by wins in Infrastructure Management Services business. Canada business recorded 5% QoQ growth

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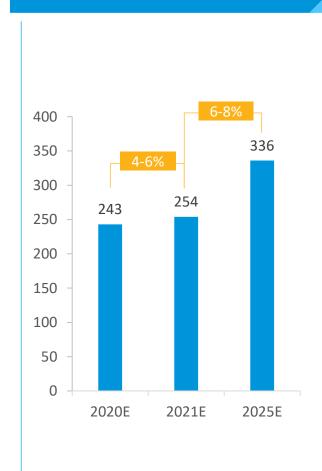
# CLM growth accelerating post pandemic



### Global BPM market size USD billion



### **Growth Drivers**



- Shift from 'Cost to serve' to 'stakeholder experience'
- Emerging new areas of growth fueled by digital transformation -BFSI (4-5%)/ E Commerce / Retail & Utilities & Auto & Mfg.(3-4%)
- Digital-led services growing at higher rates @ 12-14%- Digital Omni channel CX, Analytics led collections, Platform led BPaaS, Content moderation, Supply Chain Management, Employee life cycle management

### Conneqt is well poised to ride tailwinds...

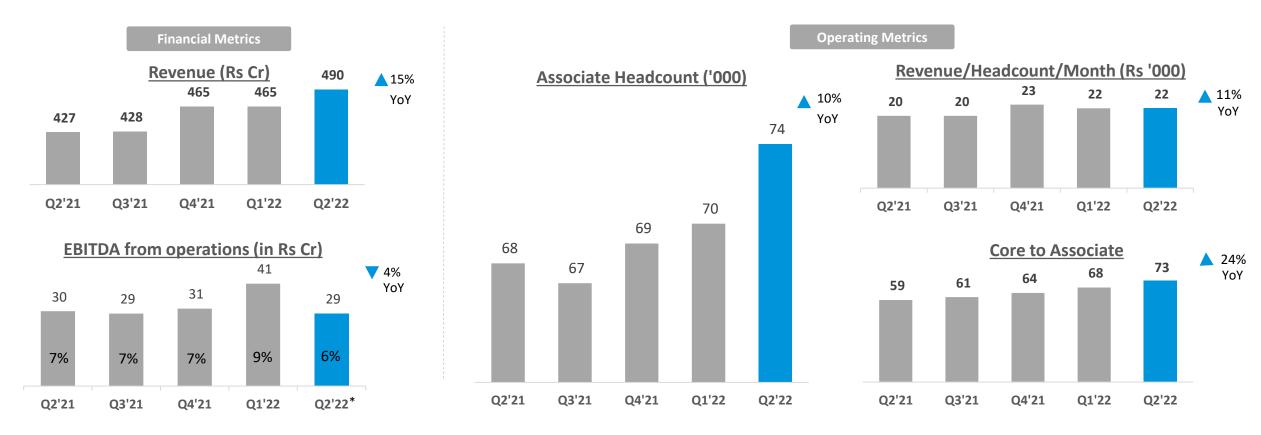
- **Leader in India** across industry verticals servicing:
  - 8 out of top 10 public sector banks & Top 5 private banks
  - Major E commerce & retail players
  - Largest telecom & Media players
  - Govt Citizen services
- 26+ locations. 500 Mn+ customer connects / year
- End to end collections covering 95%+ Indian pin codes
- Digital-led services across Customer experience, Collections, Sales Ops in a box, process transformation expertise
- Intelligent automation services CRM, RPA, Productivity tools, Platformbased services, etc.

### ... With focus on digital solutions

- Enhance services from business operations to business solutions
- Segment Focus larger Ecommerce accounts, Enterprise DC/Cloud IT Outsourcing
- Focus on new BPM services Digital Customer Experience, F&A, Content Mgmt, Intelligent Automation
- **Strengthening domain expertise** Auto, Retail & Ecommerce, BFSI, Utilities. Maximize transformation opportunities in BFSI, Utilities
- Digital transformation leverage domain + digital competencies + partnerships to help enterprise modernization
- Value Enhancement— consulting +benchmarking led approach to drive E2E CX transformation

# Operating Asset Management – Performance Snapshot



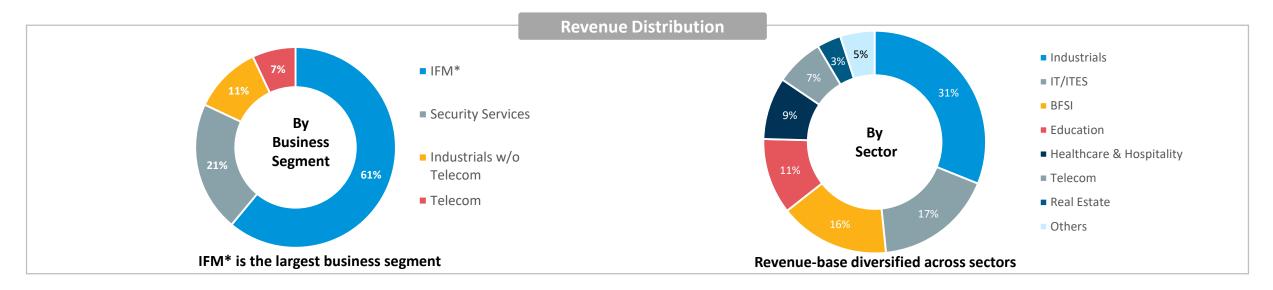


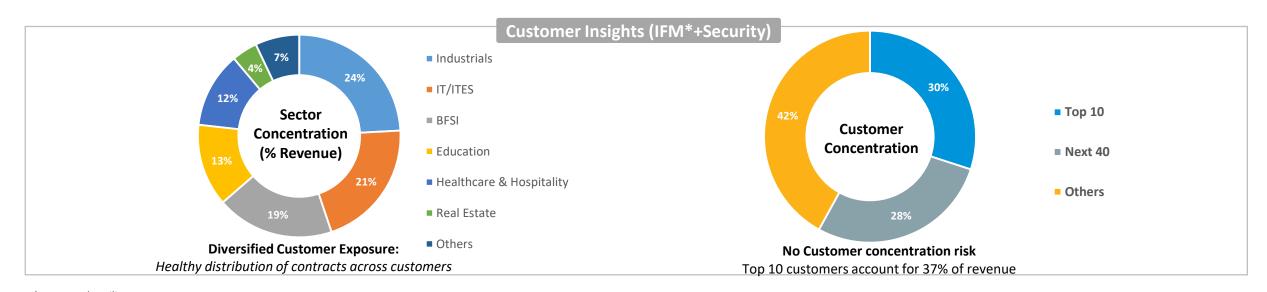
#### **Key developments:**

- IFM: Despite continued WFH in IT/ITES and Education, revenue up 13% YoY, with 24 client wins in the quarter. Margin shrank 1.6% QoQ due to slowdown in food business partly offset by improved efficiency
- Terrier Security: Revenue up 8% on QoQ basis, customer sales momentum remains strong with 26 new customers in the quarter
- Industrial business: Revenue up 10% on QoQ basis 5 new clients won during the guarter

# Operating Asset Management – Revenue Distribution and **Customer Insights**







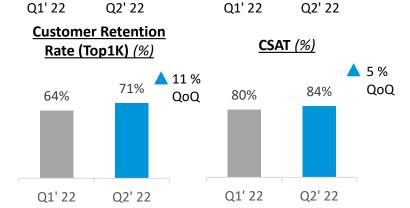
# **Emerging Businesses Performance Snapshot**



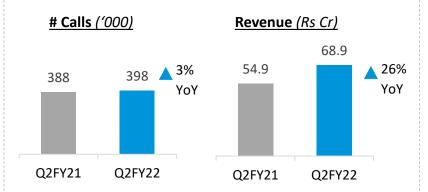


#### Active Jobs (in'000) **New customer Sales** (₹ Cr.) 23% 16% QoQ QoQ 534 10.2 433

monster



- Continued improvement in customer acquisition & retention metrics
- 43% QoQ Increase in 6M Active users
- 30% QoQ increase in # of Orders, 73% YoY growth in Seeker services
- Partnered with Microsoft, Github, EY, NASSCOM to launch Virtual Internships



#### **Service Network**



- All time high revenue & profitability
- Launched 40 New offerings in EW for B2C customer & on-track to sell ~100 K policies for the year
- Launch of On-demand B2C services planned for Q4 FY22

#### **Key Operational Metrics (Q2 FY22)**

- 903 K new job openings added (up 302% QoQ)
- Crossed 1M+ downloads, 489 K Candidates Acquired (up 75% QoQ)
- 2,260 + external customers using Q Jobs (up 70% QoQ)
- NPS @ > 50, industry-best Leads-to-selection ratio of 30% -50% for in-demand job roles, driven by auto-hiring
- Powering >15 % of hiring in Quess



#### **Key Operational Metrics (Q2 FY22)**

- 233 K + Monthly Active Users & 100 K + DAU
- 3.1 L + shifts supervised thru digital supervisor reducing manual effort
- Dedicated sales & marketing team hired for external monetization
- Beta launch for SEA Market



#### **Key Operational Metrics (Q2 FY22)**

- Expanded user base to 420 K with 150 K + MAU
- >15K monthly leads
- >4,500+ monthly units sold across Loans, Salary Advance, and Savings categories
- INR 45+ Cr GMV Annual Run Rate of benefits facilitated





# **Income Statement**



				Var%	
Particulars ( in ₹ cr)	Q2 FY22	Q2 FY21	Q1 FY22	YoY	QoQ
Revenue from operations	3,228	2,615	2,987	23%	8%
Less:					
Employee benefit expense	(2,758)	(2,250)	(2,599)	23%	6%
Cost of material	(70)	(54)	(47)	30%	48%
Other expenses	(287)	(172)	(194)	67%	48%
Total expenses	(3,116)	(2,475)	(2,840)	26%	10%
Reported EBITDA	112	140	147	-20%	-24%
Extraordinary ECL charge	44	0	0	0%	0%
EBITDA from Operations	157	140	147	12%	7%
Other income	7	24	5	-69%	54%
Interest	(19)	(27)	(22)	-29%	-11%
Depreciation and amortisation	(43)	(42)	(44)	2%	-3%
Operating EBT	58	95	86	-39%	-33%
Intangible amortisation	(6)	(16)	(6)	-63%	0%
NCI Put Option Liability	(0)	(5)	(0)	-97%	106%
Share of Profit from Associates (net of tax)	(0)	0	(0)	-1958%	2247%
Profit before tax and Exceptional items	51	74	80	-31%	-36%
Exceptional items	(9)	(8)	-	12%	0%
Profit before tax	60	82	80	-27%	-25%
Tax	(19)	(32)	(36)	-42%	-48%
Profit after tax	41	50	45	-17%	-8%
EBITDA margin	3.48%	5.34%	4.92%	-186 bps	-144 bps
EBITDA margin from operations	4.85%	5.34%	4.92%	-49 bps	-6 bps
PAT margin	1.28%	1.91%	1.49%	-63 bps	-22 bps
Basic EPS	2.54	3.09	3.13	-18%	-19%
Diluted EPS	2.51	3.05	3.07	-18%	-19%
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# **Balance Sheet**



Particulars ( in ₹ cr)	30-Sep-21	31-Mar-21	Var %
Non-current assets			
Fixed assets	401	431	-7%
Intangibles	1,176	1,104	6%
Investments	7	4	68%
Other non-current assets	602	591	2%
Current assets			
Trade receivables	1,115	894	25%
Unbilled revenue	936	905	3%
Cash and cash equivalents	593	614	-3%
Loans & other current assets	172	175	-2%
Total assets	5,003	4,720	6%
Equity			
Share capital	148	148	0%
Other equity	2,177	2,195	-1%
Non controlling interest	90	94	-4%
Debt			
Long term debt	33	54	-39%
Short term debt	658	461	43%
Other liabilities			
Trade & other payables	97	121	-20%
Other Financial Liabilities	1,110	1,101	1%
Other provisions & tax liabilities	690	545	27%
Total equities and liabilities	5,003	4,720	6%

# Segment Reporting



Particulars ( in ₹ cr)	Quarter Ended					
	Sep-21	Jun-21	Mar-21	Dec-20	Sep-20	
Workforce Management Platform						
Revenue	2,143	2,005	2,011	1,843	1,686	
Reported EBITDA	39	70	37	68	63	
Reported EBITDA %	1.84%	3.47%	1.85%	3.70%	3.72%	
EBITDA from operations	72		74			
EBITDA from operations %	3.34%		3.66%			
Global Technology Services Platform*						
Revenue	595	517	528	536	502	
Reported EBITDA	85	59	74	74	67	
Reported EBITDA %	14.22%	11.50%	13.95%	13.86%	13.36%	
Operating Asset Management Platform						
Revenue	490	465	465	428	427	
Reported EBITDA	17	41	-52	29	30	
Reported EBITDA %	3.44%	8.76%	-11.26%	6.75%	6.95%	
EBITDA from operations	29		31			
EBITDA from operations %	5.83%		6.60%			







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### **About Quess Corp**

Quess Corp Limited (Quess) is India's leading business services provider, leveraging our extensive domain knowledge and future-ready digital platforms to drive client productivity through outsourced solutions.

We provide a host of technology enabled staffing and managed outsourcing services across processes such as sales & marketing, customer care, after sales service, back office operations, manufacturing operations, facilities and security management, HR & F&A operations, IT & mobility services, etc.

Our passion for delivering exceptional services, augmented by proprietary digital platforms, has strongly established our credentials as India's largest employer in the private sector and the biggest integrated business services provider in the country. We are proud to achieve this success as a 13- year old start-up.

A core value driving our business is constantly making the workforce more productive. Our business strategy is aligned to this, including training and skill development for better employability, helping job seekers easily find employment opportunities, digitising workflows, and providing social security benefits to a wider employable population.

Established in 2007 and headquartered in Bengaluru, Quess today has unmatched geographic presence and scale with more than 644 locations across India, South East Asia & North America, backed by technology-intensity and domain specialization to create unmatched service experiences.

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