

Love their Low prices, but can't say the same for their stock.

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GOOD PRODUCTS GREAT VALUE

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> 2016-17 ANNUAL REPORT AVENUE SUPERMARTS LIMITED

when top guys are Value investors, **Contents**

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KEY HIGHLIGHTS FY 2016-17

2nd Largest retain

Revenue

Operating Profit

And the most

Profit After Tax

in 10 Indian States and 1 Union Territory

New Stores Added

Retail Business Area

FY12 - 1.6 msgft FY15 - 2.7 msgft

Good Products Great Value

We ensure that

all our work

At DMart, we strive to provide customers a unique shopping experience by offering everyday products at affordable prices. It is belief that a majority of our consprefer getting value-for-money, quality products in a simple and convenient ambience.

We believe our endeavour to facility one-stop destination.

experience by offering everyday use products at affordable prices. It is our belief that a majority of our consumers

We believe our endeavour to facilitate a one-stop destination for our customers' with our competitive pricing due to our local market knowledge, careful product assortment and supply chain efficiencies, has helped us achieve consistent growth and profitability.

processes are DAMa aligned towards delivering good products at great value.

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Value Investors' Credo

About DMart

OUR BEGINNING



A focus on financial fundamentals, high levels of patience and strong conviction have been the bedrock, on which the Company's values and business direction have been built.

By the late 1990s, our founder,
Mr. Radhakishan Damani was already
established as one of the more
successful and well known value
investors in the Indian equity markets.
Through his investing style he had
developed a very keen understanding
of the Indian consumer sector and
its psyche. He was anxious to start a
business beyond investing, which would
enable him to test his hypothesis about
the Indian consumer. After a couple of
years of introspection and research he
decided to start a grocery retail chain,
focusing primarily on the value segment.

DMart, our retail chain, was conceived by him in the year 2000. Mr. Damani imagined the retail business with the same values of simplicity, speed and nimbleness that he espaused in his stellar investing career. A focus on financial fundamentals, high levels of patience and strong conviction have been the bedrock, on which the Company's values and business direction have been built.

DMart took eight years to start its first ten stores. This wasn't because of dearth of investment opportunities, but more because of his belief in the importance of validating the business model from a perspective of both profitability and scalability. His beginnings at DMart were frugal. For a number of years since inception, DMart's corporate operations were run from a small space, carved out from one of the early stores. He and his early leadership team worked together as one cohesive unit without any hierarchy or barriers.

More importantly, from the very beginning he had the foresight to understand and strongly believe that any business needs the right blend of entrepreneurship and professionalism. Entrepreneurship to build and strengthen the concept in its formative years, professionalism to allow a committed team to create, sustain and grow a scalable business model into the future.

Today, DMart continues to focus on this early belief system created during our formative years. We have a great blend of entrepreneurial spirit and high quality execution. We humbly attribute our success to the values and the way of business thinking, that our founder has instilled in us.

Better Businessman Better Investor

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Presence

DMart has a consistently growing presence across India.

OUR REACH

DMart has a consistently growing presence across India. Today, we have 131 stores in ten states and one union territory. Our larger focus of expansion would be in states where we already have a presence. In FY 2017, we added 21 new stores.

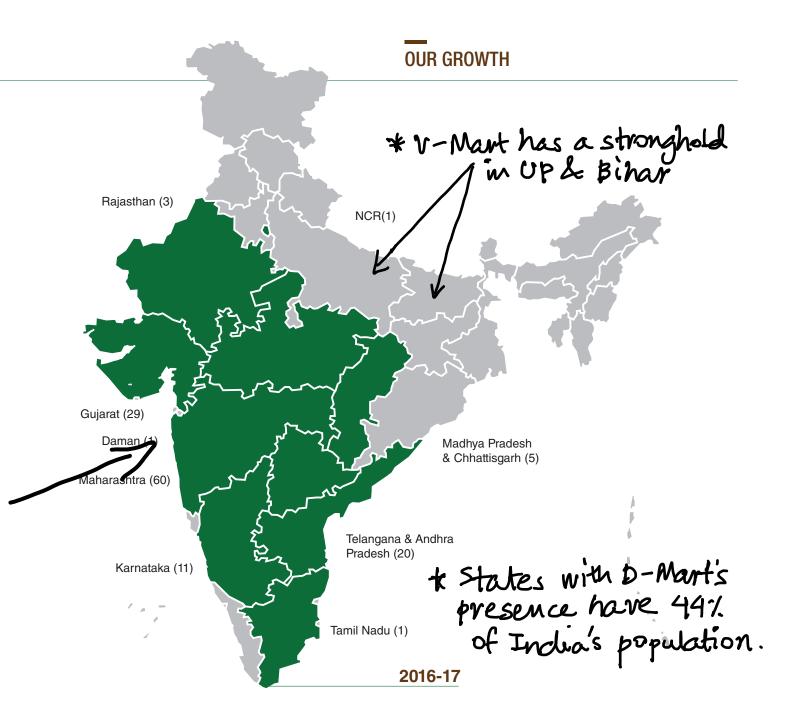


CUMULATIVE STORES

Note: Maps not to scale

1 Store

55 Stores



* Sells stuff that form part of basic Dimert Spending than discretionary spending

THE KEY PRODUCT CATEGORIES CAN BE CLASSIFIED INTO:

Foods

dairy, staples, groceries, snacks, frozen products, processed foods, beverages & confectionary and fruits & vegetables













home care products, personal care products, toiletries and other over the counter products





General Merchandise & Apparel

bed & bath, toys & games, crockery, plastic goods, garments, footwear, utensils and home appliances









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Key Performance Indicators

or Good overall performance

REVENUE FROM OPERATIONS

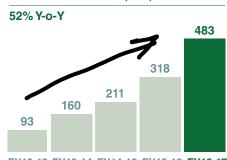


EARNINGS BEFORE INTEREST, TAX, DEPRECIATION AND AMORTISATION (EBITDA)



(in ₹crores)

PROFIT AFTER TAX (PAT)



FY12-13 FY13-14 FY14-15 FY15-16 FY16-17

(in ₹crores)

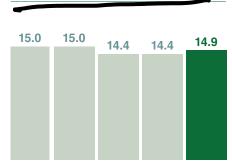
* Grown faster than compet

FIXED ASSET TURNOVER RATIO



FY12-13 FY13-14 FY14-15 FY15-16 FY16-17

INVENTORY TURNOVER RATIO



FY12-13 FY13-14 FY14-15 FY15-16 FY16-17

LIKE FOR LIKE GROWTH*



FY12-13 FY13-14 FY14-15 FY15-16 FY16-17

* LFL growth means the growth in revenue from sales of same stores which have been operational for at

3x of Shoppers' Stop, but good for a value retailer

REVENUE FROM SALES PER RETAIL BUSINESS AREA PER SQ. FT.



RETAIL BUSINESS AREA (AT THE END OF FISCAL)

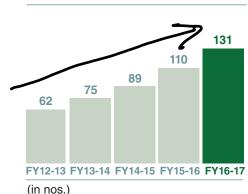


(in million sq. ft.)

We have witnessed steady growth across key financial and operating parameters by implementing a distinct store expansion strategy and operating cost efficiencies.

CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF STORES

(in ₹)



TOTAL BILL CUTS



(in nos. crores)

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Message from the Chairman

Dear Shareholders,

I am pleased to present the Annual Report of your Company for fiscal 2017. The year assumes particular importance in the Company's history as it went public through an Initial Public Offer (IPO), listing on the Stock exchanges successfully. It gives me great pleasure to welcome all our new shareholders to the DMart family. The response to our maiden public issue was heart-warming to say the least. My sincere gratitude for the faith and trust reposed by investors in our Company.

We are at an exciting phase in India's growth journey and organised retail continues to be an attractive sector. At over 7%, India is one of the fastest growing major economies in the world. This coupled with major structural shifts that are underway, point to a long-term opportunity that is of a massive scale. Most macro-economic indicators that measure the health of an economy, continue to be positive in India's context. Major policy measures such as demonetisation and the implementation of GST are likely to formalise the

economy even further. Seen together, this points towards brighter days ahead for the retail sector.

Value retail is a tough business. There is intense competition, and a constantly evolving dynamic in the form of market forces and consumer preferences. For nearly 15 years, we have focused on the core needs of our customers, aligned our systems & processes in line with their needs, and delivered steady growth in our revenues and profitability.

Our business model has stood the test of time, and we are focused on doing a few things but doing it well and ensure we continue to be amongst the preferred retailers in India.

Pr Do Less,
Do well
(Another rule
for investors)



The retail sector has for long hoped for a level playing field. We believe that GST is a good step towards that, and yet its effect on our business is likely to be neutral. This is because the tax rates have been cut for mass consumption products and hiked for higher-end products.

In India, private consumption constitutes 60% of India's GDP, of which retail is around 50%. Organised Retail was 9% of total retail in FY 2016 and is expected to touch 12% by FY 2020. Our business model has stood the test of time, and we are focused on doing a few things but doing it well and ensure we continue to be amongst the preferred retailers in India. This is our guiding mantra for the business.

We are keen to protect value and hence take a cautious, measured approach towards expansions. Guided by the aspirations of our internal and external stakeholders, we focus on ensuring smooth operations and staying true to our core, which allows us to widen and deepen our customer base. At the same time, we maintain an excellent rapport with our suppliers, ensuring that we source the best quality products at the most competitive prices.

In our business, we consider the community and environment as key stakeholders. Towards this end, we strive to be cleaner and greener. Similarly, our well-focussed CSR initiatives in the education sector ensure impactful results for beneficiaries of the economically marginal communities.

As we continue in our endeavour to aspire to be a respected and responsible enterprise, we commit to being focussed on our core positioning of value-retail and remain accountable to all our stakeholders and society at large. We will constantly pursue to delight and surprise our customers with good products at great value every single day.

I hereby thank all the other Board members, the Senior Management team and our Founder for their help in discharging my duties.

I solicit your continued cooperation in materialising this vision.

Best Regards, Ramesh Damani Chairman



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Message from the Managing Director & CEO

Dear Shareholders,

Our first DMart store opened in 2002, our 10th store in 2008, our 10th store in 2016 and we are now at 131 stores.

As I reflect on the past at each of these milestones, one singular thought that comes to my mind repeatedly is that tomorrow has larger opportunities and newer challenges than today's achievements. A lot has been achieved and yet, there is so much more to be done. There are very few sectors that gives one such a feeling. Retail sector in India is one such opportunity. The magnanimity and scale of this opportunity continues to keep us awake at night. My team and I are fully aware of this and are striving to build the DMart for tomorrow.

DMart is an outcome of a visionary founder and a simple & passionate leadership team who gets out there to get things done, with enthusiasm and care towards all stakeholders.

I am delighted to share our annual report for 2016-17 – the first one post our IPO. It was another satisfactory and successful year for us at DMart, which saw us grow our presence, revenues, operating profit and net profit. It is yet another validation of our approach towards being a value retailer. These indicators act as motivating factors for our employees, to strive harder and

maintain our identity as a customer-first business. Year-after-year, we have stayed on the path of providing value through good products at great value, in a functional and convenient environment.

Our challenge and opportunity is to retain the same level of commitment and relevance among our employees, suppliers and partners to ensure we remain rooted to our core philosophy of value retailing. We also aspire to play an active and responsible role towards our environment and society. Our on-going expansion and growth initiatives will be underpinned by our values & philosophy of prudence and entrepreneurship, as we carve out a larger footprint for our business.

Our employees are the torchbearers of our success and crucial stakeholders in our growth. The organisation strives to ensure a motivated team through initiatives such as employee engagements, employee satisfaction surveys and deploying appropriate competency framework models. These measures help us keep productivity and employee morale high. These initiatives also help us map capabilities in employees to the right roles and also build a talent pool for the future. We strongly believe that spending disproportionate time and efforts to

up-skill and enhance competencies of existing employees brings significant tangible and intangible long-term benefits to the organisation.

At DMart, we recognise the local community and society at large as an integral part of our corporate citizenship. Driven by our value systems, we strive to inculcate a socially responsible corporate culture to address social and environmental challenges in the areas we operate. As a proactive measure, we are attempting to have most of our new stores endorsed under the Green Building Certification by IGBC (Indian Green Building Council). We constantly endeavour to use energy efficient construction materials and techniques that help us reduce our carbon footprint in our day-to-day operations.

Our social transformation initiatives focus on better quality of education in public schools of Mumbai. We have helped create modern infrastructure and better learning systems, positively impacting the lives of over 50,000 children.

As we garner more footfalls to our stores, we look to further build scale and thus benefit from the resulting economics. Through our 'Every Day Low Cost / Every Day Low Price' strategy,

As we garner more footfalls in our stores, we look to build further scale and thus benefit from the resulting economics.

D≛Mart

* Key reason for good growth in a price consions mkt. Like India



We always focus on achieving higher volumes in our business and at the same time, keep our procurement and operating costs low. This has helped in offering our customers lower prices consistently. Our business model is thus based on the concept of offering higher value-for money, through our 'Every Day Low Cost / Every Day Low Price' credo.

Over the years, this credo has created an obvious win-win for our customers and other stakeholders. We try harder each day, offering customers more than just delight. We positively surprise them with a pattern of constant and new discounts on a regular basis. At the same time, we are focused on expansion to leverage a better buying power and economies of scale, that allow us to retain margins while offering fantastic prices.

In our journey of good products at great value, we are encouraged by our customers. Through our interactions and engagements, we learn more about them, and their needs. This enables us to serve them better, and in turn, widen and deepen our loyal customer base.

At DMart, the concept of value is all-encompassing. It pervades our organisation and is a central theme of all that we stand for.

Our Credo: Every Day Low Cost / Every Day Low Price

CORPORATE OVERVIEW STATUTORY REPORTS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS NOTICE OF THE AGM

Standalone Balance Sheet (Looks Clean) * Just a glance of the B/s tells it's a good business

					(₹ in Lakhs)	
		Note	As at	As at	As at	
		Note	31st March, 2017	31st March, 2016	1 st April, 2015	
	ETS					
1	Non-current assets (a) Property, plant and equipment (b) Capital work - in - progress (c) Other intangible assets (d) Investment properties		051 510 00	000 100 00	150 507 4	
	(a) Property, plant and equipment ((()) ()	LQ	251,518.06	206,126.63	150,567.40	
	(b) Capital work - in - progress	ະເກາ∧ີ <	15,289.36	8,168.70	9,159.0	
	(c) Other intangible assets	3 (0 / 13)	635.08	417.68	399.2	
	(a) investment properties		2,737.16 3,661.74	1,365.09	1,455.6	
	(e) Investments in subsidiaries and associate (f) Financial assets	5	3,001.74	1,599.61	210.0	
	(f) Financial assets (i) Other financial assets	6	4,535.48	2,876.00	2,070.4	
			4,535.46	2,876.00	2,070.4	
	(g) Current tax assets (net) (h) Other non - current assets	7	5.021.53	8.432.86		
	(II) Other non - current assets	1	5,021.53	0,432.00	6,420.5	
2	Current assets					
	(a) Inventories (Key no. for re	taulet	93,315.99	66,020.05	52,991.6	
	(b) Financial assets (i) Trade receivables	0	2,099.79	837.74	707.2	
	(ii) Cash and cash equivalents	10	2,099.79	3.197.36	3.526.9	
	(iii) Bank Balances other than cash and cash	00	185,105.42	61.33	59.2	
	equivalents	.Po fun	.05) 165,105.42	01.33	59.2	
	(iv) Loans	12	105.13	93.41	82.C	
	(v) Other financial assets	13	7,375.90	4,006.68	2,866.1	
	(c) Other current assets	14	5,782.99	4,777.00	4,047.1	
Tota	I Assets		580,215.29	308,153.30	234,827.9	
	JITY AND LIABILITIES					
1	Equity					
	a) Equity share capital	15	62,408.45	56,154.27	56,154.2	
	b) Other equity		321,297.88	95,032.21	63,213.1	
2	Liabilities		•			
	Non-current liabilities					
	(a) Financial liabilities (i) Borrowings (Will Come	· LOSAL	98.092.44	90.846.87	71.377.5	
	(i) Borrowings (ii) Other non - current liabilities		138.35	1.805.68	1,844.7	
	(b) Deferred tax liabilities (net)	18	5.174.50	4.009.30	3,060.3	
	Current liabilities	10	5,174.50	4,009.30	3,000.3	
	(a) Financial liabilities					
	(i) Borrowings	19	12.266.04	11.349.11	2.693.5	
	(ii) Trade payables	20	26,675.52	20,046.96	13,703.9	
	(iii) Other financial liabilities	21	49.283.28	25,352.15	19,548.0	
	(b) Short term provisions	22	816.43	537.64	415.6	
	(c) Liability for current tax (Net)		841.77	1,082.15	1,324.9	
	(d) Other current liabilities	23	3,220.63	1,936.96	1,491.8	
	(a) Other during madimics	20	0,220.00	1,000.00	1,791.0	
	Total Equity and Liabilities		580,215.29	308,153.30	234,827.9	
	General Information & Significant Accounting Policies	1				

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements. As per our report of even date

For Dalal & Shah LLP
Firm Registration Number 102021W/ W100116d Inventory Management of Managing Director Chartered Accountants

S. Venkatesh
Partner
Membership No.037942

Ashu Gupta

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Ashu Gupta Company Secretary

Thane, 6th May, 2017 Thane, 6th May, 2017

Statement of Standalone Profit and Loss

	Note	Year ended 31st March, 2017	(₹ in Lakhs) Year ended 31 st March, 2016
INCOME			
Revenue from Operations 1547.	24	1,188,111.90	857,517.64
Other Income	25	3,128.86	2,005.02
		1,191,240.76	859,522.66
EXPENSES			
Purchase of Stock-in-trade Change in Inventory of Stock-in-trade Employment Benefit Expense Purchase of Stock-in-trade Cyross Margy n V Change in Inventory of Stock-in-trade Cyross Margy n V Cyros Margy n	` 15 7•	1,036,895.42	744,417.23
Change in Inventory of Stock-in-trade	26	(27,295.94)	(13,028.38)
		18,947.32	14,621.88
Finance Costs	28	12,180.39	9,123.45
Depreciation and Amortisation Expense	29	12,602.09	9,709.64
Other Expenses	30	63,200.21	45,843.67
		1,116,529.49	810,687.49
Profit before tax		74,711.27	48,835.17
Tax Expense			
Current tax	31	25,124.37	16,081.81
Deferred tax charge/(credit)		1,165.20	948.99
Tax in respect of earlier years	m ~ 4-).	157.85	13.21
Profit for the year 52 / (Net wavay	·/ · · · · · / · /	48,263.85	31,791.16
Other Comprehensive Income	•		
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss			
Remeasurements of net defined benefit plans	45	119.65	42.67
Less: Income tax relating to above		(41.41)	(14.77)
Total Comprehensive Income for the year	-	48,342.09	31,819.06
Earnings per equity share of ₹ 10 each: (in ₹)	41		
Basic		8.56	5.66
Diluted		8.55	5.66

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For and on behalf of Board of Directors

For Dalal & Shah LLP

Firm Registration Number 102021W/W100110

Chartered Accountants

Ignatius Navil Noronha Managing Director

S. Venkatesh

Partner

Membership No.037942

Ramakant Baheti

Chief Financial Officer and Executive Director

Ashu Gupta Company Secretary

Thane, 6th May, 2017

Thane, 6th May, 2017

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Statement of Standalone Cash Flows

* This looks clean too. CF is the most important statement to analyze. They can fake profits, but ravely 'cash'.

Year ended

Year ended

	31st March, 2017	31st March, 2016
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		0
Profit before tax	74,711.27	48,835.17
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation and amortization expenses	12,602.09	9,709.64
Finance cost	12,180.39	9,123.45
Dividend income	(1.90)	_
Interest income	(721.68)	(256.25)
Profit on sale of investments	(755.56)	(251.75)
Remeasurements of net defined benefit plans	119.65	42.67
Expense on Employee Stock Option Scheme	114.27	-
Rent Income	(1,614.00)	(1,399.22)
(Profit)/ loss on sale of fixed assets (net)	84.81	78.11
	22,008.07	17,046.65
Operating profit before working capital changes	96,719.34	65,881.82
Adjustments for:		
Increase/(decrease) in trade payables	6,628.56	6,343.02
Increase/(decrease) in provisions	278.79	122.04
Increase/(decrease) in other current financial liabilities	1,444.56	1,915.44
Increase/(decrease) in other current liabilities	1,283.67	445.07
Increase/(decrease) in other non current Liabilities	(1,667.33)	(39.03)
(Increase)/decrease in trade receivables (Increase)/decrease in inventories (More stores = More inventories)	(1,262.05)	(130.48)
(Increase)/decrease in inventories / Maye Stoyes = Profe Introd	(27,295.94)	(13,028.38)
(Increase)/decrease in other non cultrent financial assets	(1,659.48)	(805.56)
(Increase)/decrease in Bank Balances other than cash and cash equivalents	(3.98)	(2.05)
(Increase)/decrease in current loans	(11.72)	(11.40)
(Increase)/decrease in other current assets	(1,005.99)	(729.83)
(Increase)/decrease in other current financial assets	(3,169.67)	(1,174.49)
	(26,440.58)	(7,095.65)
Cash (used in) / from operations	70,278.76	58,786.17
Direct taxes paid (net of refunds)	25,396.59	16,260.59
Net cash (used in) / from operations CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Add: Inflows from investing activities Sale proceeds of property, plant and equipment	44,882.17	42,525.58
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: net byolit will	M <	
Add: Inflows from investing activities		
Sale proceeds of property, plant and equipment	963.59	199.08
Interest Income	522.13	290.23
Dividend received from others	1.90	-
Profit on sale of investments	755.56	251.75
Rent Income Received	1,614.00	1,399.22
Less: Outflows from investing activities	3,857.18	2,140.28
Purchase of property, plant and equipment/ intangible assets/investment properties	(64,218.15)	(63,250.16)
IPO Proceeds in Bank, Pending Utilisation	(185,040.11)	
Investment in associate	(2,062.13)	(1,389.61)
	(251,320.39)	(64,639.77)
Net cash (used in) / from investing activities	(247,463.21)	(62,499.49)

Statement of Standalone Cash Flows

	Year ended 31st March, 2017	(₹ in Lakhs) Year ended 31st March, 2016
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Add: Inflows from financing activities	-	
Proceeds from issue of shares (net of IPO Expenses)	184,061.55	-
Proceeds from long term borrowings	20,00 0.00	-
Proceeds from Non convertible debentures	25,000.00	35,000.00
Proceeds from Commercial papers	-	5,000.00
Proceeds of short term borrowings (net)	5,916.93	3,655.54
	234,978.48	43,655.54
Less: Outflows from financing activities		
Repayment of long term borrowings	(15,530.65)	(14,680.12)
Repayment of commercial papers	(5,000.00)	-
Interest paid	(12,018.66)	(9,327.34)
	(32,549.31)	(24,007.46)
Cash (used in) / from financing activities	202,429.17	19,648.08
Net Increase/(Decrease) In Cash And Bank Balances	(151.87)	(325.83)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	3,177.60	3,503.43
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	3,025.73	3,177.60
Cash and cash equivalents as per above Comprises of the following		
Cash and cash equivalents (Refer Note : 10)	3,025.92	3,197.36
Bank Overdrawn (Refer Note : 21)	0.19	19.76
Balance as per Statement of cash flows	3,025.73	3,177.60

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

Notes:

The cash flow statement has been prepared under the indirect method as set out in Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS 7) statement of cash flows.

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Notes

- * Overall, a clean fast-growing business led by people who understand the essence of Longtern compounding.
- * Focus on value retailing has helped growth over the years. Business efficiency, esp. Working capital management has been good.
- * Continued growth in some store sales is a boost for continued expansion.
- * A business that doesn't lead to a lot of difficult questions for the analyst, except on the valuations front.
- & Business has long runway for grown, and also has capacity to suffer.
- * key risks Competition from other Value retailers, online retailers... though value retailers in though value items in India is still an offline story.

Analysed by - Safalniveshak. com Date - 31 st August 2017

* Note on Valuations -D-Mart - P/E-122x; ROE-18% V-Mart-P/E-48x; ROE-13/ Wal-Mart - 1/E - 18x; ROE - 17%. * Wal-Mart in 1986 when Warren Buffett skipped buying it -P/E - 30 x (WB wanted to pay max. 21x) ROE-26%. Net margin - 4% (same as D-Mart now)
Opportunity Lost by WB N 35 x in 30 years * If you look this way, you may want to buy D-Martatany price now and want for next 30 years

* BUT... how does one justify paying 120x for a business in an industry that has undergone a massive change since 1980s? D-Mart's stores even on weekdays...

and also assuming that we're so
years behind the western world...

and that consumption is only going
to go up in the future, the business
and potential Looks good. But that's
also what the consensus says...and
thus 120 x P/E.

But as Buffett says - "You pay a very high price in the stock market for a cheery consensus."

In short, D-Mart is like that beautiful Lady every man would aspire to marry, but is always in a dilemma given that he also realizes that he may not be able to afford her. In investing, these are the most difficult decisions to make ... or not make. And then, one must be ready & happy to live with the decision and the outcome.