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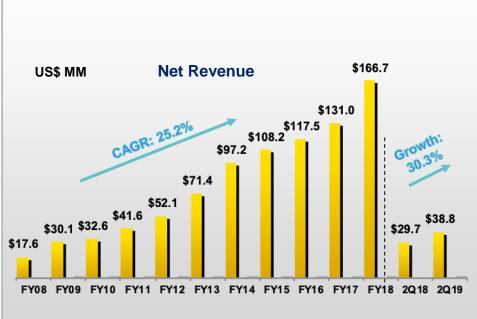
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IResults Overview

Steady Progress on Long-term Strategic Initiatives

Strong Performance



- **≻Non-GAAP** net loss:
- \$3.4 million in 2QFY19
- **≻Operating cash inflow:**
- ◆ Up 128.8 % y/y to \$16.5 million in 2QFY19
- > Cash receipts from online course registration
- ◆ Up 29.8% y/y to \$57.0 million in 2QFY19
- Cash balance as of March 31, 2019:
- \$130.1 million

Strategic & Operational Updates

Accounting Courses

| СРА | 2QFY19 |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| Enrollments | -17.3% |
| Average Student Payment (ASP) | 187.0% |

| APQE | 2QFY19 |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Enrollments | -26.5% |
| Average Student Payment (ASP) | 77.1%1 |

| Accounting Continuing Education | 2QFY19 |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Enrollments | 179.7% |
| Average Student Payment (ASP) | -4.3% |

| Other Accounting Courses | 2QFY19 |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Enrollments | 76.5%1 |
| Average Student Payment (ASP) | -74.8% |

Non-Accounting Courses

Healthcare and Engineering & Construction ("E&C")

- Healthcare Test Preparation
- Enrollments down 20.9% YoY in 2QFY19
- ASP up 24.6% YoY in 2QFY19

- E&C Test Preparation
- Enrollments down 9.8% YoY in 2QFY2019
- ASP up 30.5% YoY in 2QFY2019
- **E&C Continuing Education**
- Enrollments up 52.5% YoY in 2QFY2019
- ASP down 32.1% YoY in 2QFY2019



Achievements and Goals

Focusing on Strategic Initiatives, Reinforcing Leadership in Online Education Market

- Increasing enrollments of total courses
 - In 2QFY19, total course enrollments reached 642,000, an increase of 8.9% from the second quarter of fiscal 2018.
- > Longer duration premium and elite classes helped fuel cash receipts growth in the second quarter
 - We achieved \$57.0 million of cash receipts from online course registration in 2QFY19, a year-over-year increase of 29.8%.
 - Our premium and elite classes offer students additional services such as more tutoring guidance, more mock exams, personalized study reports, longer study periods, and employment guidance, among others, at higher price points compared with our regular classes.
- Expanding course offerings in existing verticals and offering new courses in high-demand subject areas
 - In May 2019 CDEL decided to acquire an additional 9% equity interest in Beijing Ruida for a total consideration of RMB38.3 million (\$5.6 million), bringing the Company's total equity interest in Beijing Ruida to 60%. The transaction is expected to close in the third quarter of fiscal 2019.
- > Further enhancing our educational delivery capabilities through innovation
 - The 2QFY19 daily active users in accounting, healthcare and engineering and construction verticals increased by 41.9%, 10.9% and 43.6% respectively year-over-year.
 - Offered 68 mobile applications with cumulative downloads of 54.0 million as of March 31, 2019.



Financial Highlights

Select Income Statement Items (Unaudited) – 2Q FY2019

Income Statement Summary (US\$ in Thousands, except per ADS data)

| | 2Q FY18 | 2Q FY19 | YoY Change% | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------|--|
| Net revenues: | | | _ | |
| Online education services | 23,396 27,878 | | 19.2% | |
| Books and reference materials | 1,391 5,401 | | 288.3% | |
| Others including in-person training | 4,961 5,482 | | 10.5% | |
| Total net revenues | 29,748 | 38,761 | 30.3% | |
| Cost of sales | (18,680) | (23,279) | 24.6% | |
| Gross profit | 11,068 | 15,482 | 39.9% | |
| Gross margin | 37.2% | 39.9% | | |
| Operating expenses: | | | | |
| Selling expenses | (8,341) | (13,801) | 65.5% | |
| General and administrative expenses | (5,766) | (6,581) | 14.1% | |
| Total operating expenses | (14,107) | (20,382) | 44.5% | |
| Operating loss | (2,911) (4,058) | | 39.4% | |
| Income tax benefit | 1,431 | 1,335 | -6.7% | |
| Net loss attributable to CDEL | (3,265) | (3,875) | 18.7% | |
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Selected Cash Flow Items (Unaudited) – 2Q FY2019

2QFY19 Net Operating Cash Inflow Increased by 128.8% Year-over-Year

| (US\$ in Millions) | 2Q FY18 | 2Q FY19 |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Net Operating Cash Inflow (Outflow) | 7.2 | 16.5 |

The operating cash inflow in 2QFY19 was due to:

- -- The increase in deferred revenue generated from our professional education services segment
- -- The operating cash inflow was partially offset by the increase in accounts receivable, prepayments and other current assets, and the decrease in accrued expenses and other liabilities, income tax payable, deferred tax liabilities, and amount due to a related party.



Selected Balance Sheet Items (Unaudited) – 2Q FY2019

(US\$ in Millions)

| Assets | Sept 30, 2018 | Mar 31, 2019 | Change % |
|--|---------------|--------------|----------|
| Cash and Cash Equivalents, Term Deposits and Restricted Cash | 99.6 | 130.1 | 30.5% |
| Receivables | 7.3 | 6.5 | -10.6% |
| Inventories | 2.8 | 4.3 | 56.0% |
| Net PP&E | 28.0 | 40.4 | 44.3% |
| Other Assets | 191.3 | 199.3 | 4.2% |
| Total | 328.9 | 380.6 | 15.7% |
| Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity | Sept 30, 2018 | Mar 31, 2019 | Change % |
| Accrued Expenses and Other Liabilities | 64.1 | 89.7 | 39.9% |
| Deferred Revenues, current portion | 78.2 | 103.0 | 31.8% |
| Refundable Fees | 13.8 | 3.3 | -76.3% |
| Borrowings | 63.0 | 58.2 | -7.6% |
| Total Shareholder's Equity | 109.8 | 126.4 | 15.1% |
| Total | 328.9 | 380.6 | 15.7% |



Business Outlook

Third Quarter and Fiscal Year 2019 Guidance

3QFY19 net revenue expected range: US\$61.6 million to \$64.0 million, 30% - 35% year-over-year increase

FY19 net revenue expected range:
US\$210.0 million to \$218.3 million, 26% - 31% year-over-year
increase