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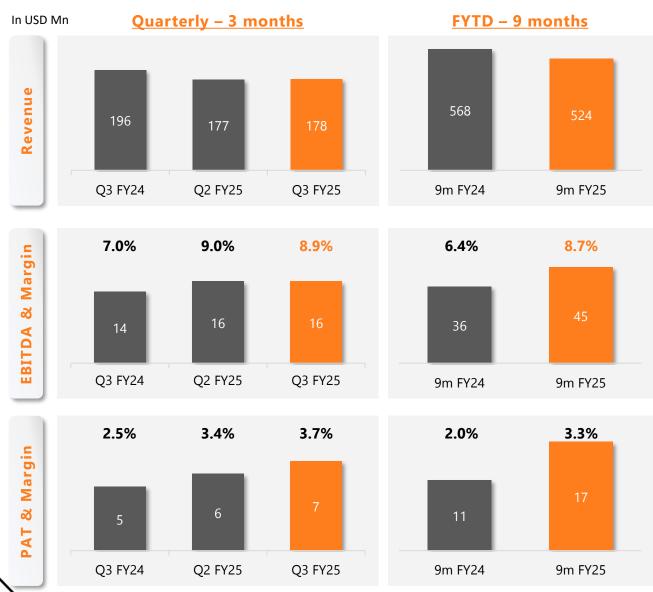
## Q3 & 9m FY25 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS





## Financial Highlights – Q3 & 9m FY25

### **Highest ever quarterly PAT**



#### **Revenue:**

- Revenue lower in Q3FY25 compared to same period last year due to subdued order book
- Continued focus on strategic high-value customers
- Pipeline continues to remain strong; order book at US\$ 465 million
- Increase in opportunities with large enterprises as a result of renewed GTM enhancing consideration and win-rate. Positive impact already seen in Q4 FY25 and expected to strengthen from Q1 FY26
- Pipeline conversion and improved win-rate expected to positively impact the revenues beginning Q2 FY26 onwards

#### **EBITDA & EBITDA Margin:**

- Operating margins increased during the 9m FY25 to 8.7% compared to 6.4% in 9mFY24
- 9m margin up by 230 bps; Sharp focus on quality of revenue
- Q3 FY25 EBITDA at USD 16 million; up 15% YoY
- 9m FY25 EBITDA at USD 45 million; up 25% YoY

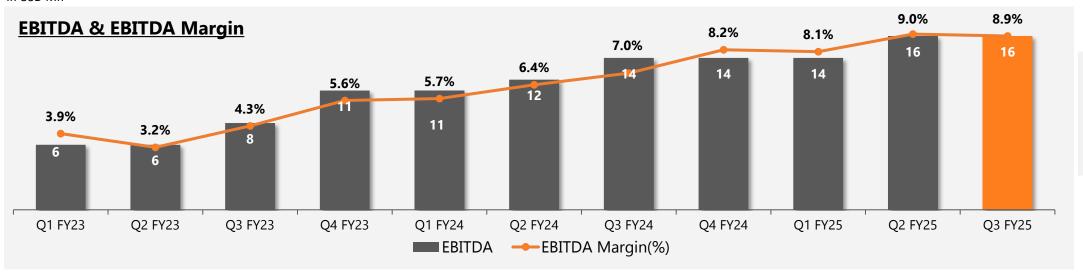
#### **Profit After Tax (PAT) and PAT Margin:**

- Highest ever quarterly PAT at USD 7 million in Q3 FY25; up 37% YoY and 10% OoO
- 9m FY25 PAT at USD 17 million; up 49% YoY
- PAT margins improved to 3.7% in Q3 FY25

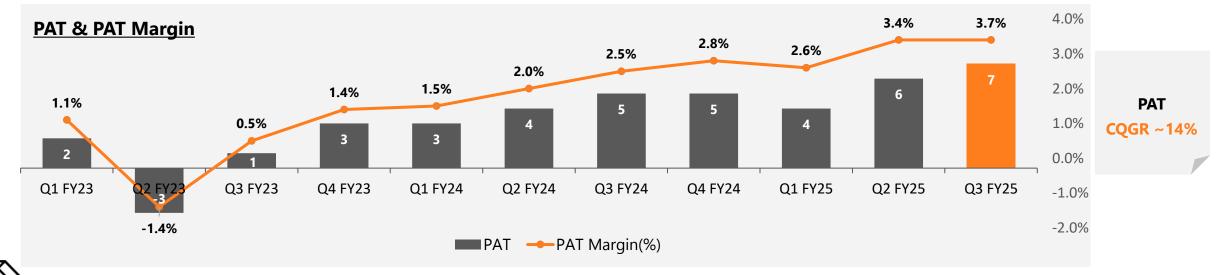
## **Consistent Growth in Profitability**

Margin continued to rise in FY25, ahead of guidance; targeting double digit margins by FY27 end

In USD Mn

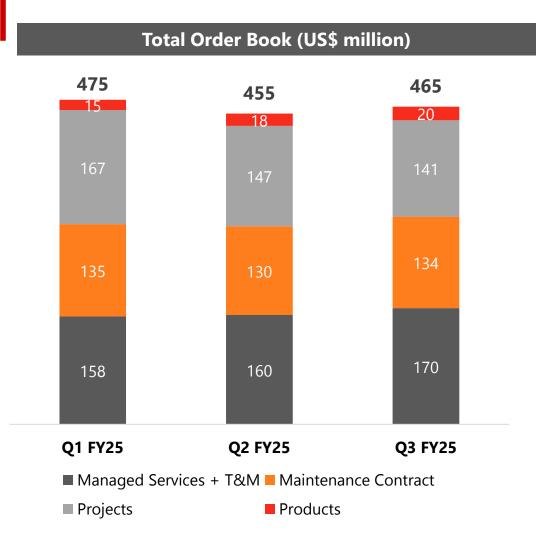






## **Healthy Total Order Book**

Deal pipeline remains strong; focusing on higher conversion



#### **Order Book and Pipeline's Future Outlook**

- Company's pipeline for digital infrastructure, across industry verticals including hyperscalers, continues to grow, positioning Black Box for sustained growth and market leadership
- Demand for digital infrastructure across industry verticals expected to remain robust driven by the need for better end-user experience
- Recent AI developments, with a possibility of significant lower usage cost, will drive higher and quicker adoption of AI by businesses globally, boosting demand for digital infrastructure
- Q3 order book at US\$ 465 million. Additionally, in Q4, company has already received orders worth US\$80 million across verticals including;
  - One of the world's largest **hyperscaler** allocated three large sites in the **United States** for building their digital infrastructure. Additionally, company won orders worth USD 30 million from this long-term customer.
  - Won a cybersecurity order of around USD 12 million from a large municipal corporation, a large network integration project from a global telecom operator and an airport order amounting to around USD 5 million.



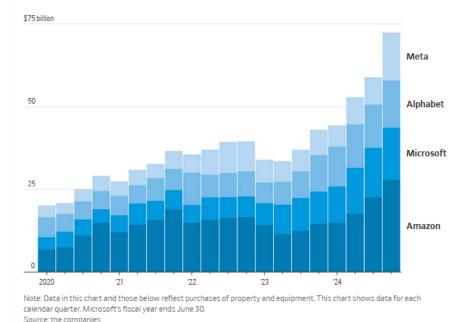
## Recent developments in AI has accelerated hyperscalers' investment

Reconfirms confidence on our Journey of reaching \$2Bn in revenue by FY29

## Tech Giants Double Down on Their Massive AI Spending

Amazon, Google, Microsoft and Meta pour billions into artificial intelligence, undeterred by DeepSeek's rise

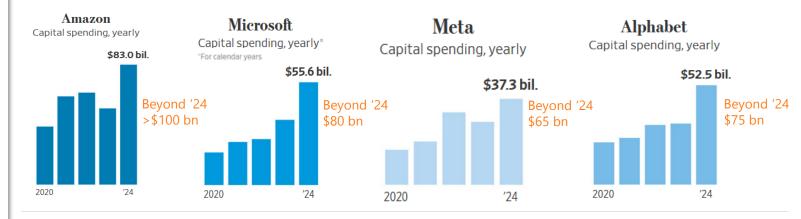




**Source:** The Wall Street Journal (Link)



- Tech giants have projected tens of billions of dollars in increased investment this year for AI
- Recent quarterly earnings commentary indicates race for AI is gaining momentum despite anxiety over impact of DeepSeek
- 55% increase in capex spends by the hyperscalers, compared to last year, on data centers and models



5<sup>th</sup> Feb 2025 Interview: OpenAI CEO Sam Altman on DeepSeek's rise, India's AI opportunity



L-R, IT minister Ashwini Vaishnaw and OpenAI CEO Sam Altman

Source: FT

India has emerged as the second-largest market for **OpenAI**, its chief executive **Sam Altman** said on Wednesday, adding that the ChatGPT developer tripled the number of its users in the country over the past year.

Has DeepSeek and the market's reaction to it reset expectations around the need for computing power (compute) for LLMs and foundational models?

I don't think so. There are two different trends at play. One is as we continue to push the boundaries of frontier models, the same exponential curve that we've been seeing for a long time continues. In fact, if anything, I think we know how to do better with more compute now than we did a year ago. And the economic returns on increasing intelligence will be exponential.

Where do you stand on the Jevons paradox?

I agree people will just use way more AI. There's an old Bill Gates (Microsoft cofounder) quote about how one couldn't imagine a computer ever needing more than 64K of memory. I understand what that's like because I understand now why people say you never need more intelligence than GPT-5.

I am confident that someday that will seem as silly as the 64K comment. We'll just use, as we drive the cost of this down, the value of it up, we'll just use so, so much more. So that's part of why we want to do Stargate. And therefore, the investments needed will not be lower. They'll just be more AI per dollar.

## **Management Commentary**



Commenting on the results and performance Mr. Sanjeev Verma, Whole-time Director, Black Box said,

"The recent advancements and ongoing developments in AI is expected to boost demand for AI tools by businesses across the globe. We believe it will lead to an increased demand for digital infrastructure to enhance user experience. Consequently, the hyperscalers have committed large capex towards AI infrastructure and data center which reconfirms our confidence in our growth aspirations of reaching US\$2 billion in revenue by FY29."



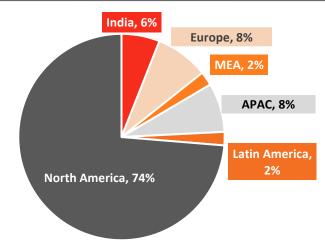
Mr. Deepak Kumar Bansal, Executive Director and Global Chief Financial Officer of Black Box, said,

"Our relentless focus on improving operating performance allowed us to achieve highest ever quarterly PAT. The company has, over the last few years, consistently generated strong ROE and ROCE, and remains committed to generating positive cash flows and better returns for the shareholders. Better efficiencies and productivity helped us in achieving stronger than estimated margins."

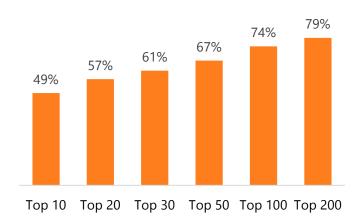


### Well Diversified Global Business Model – 9m FY25

#### **Revenue by Geography**

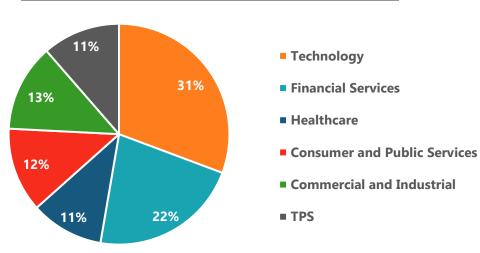


#### **Client Concentration % - Revenue**

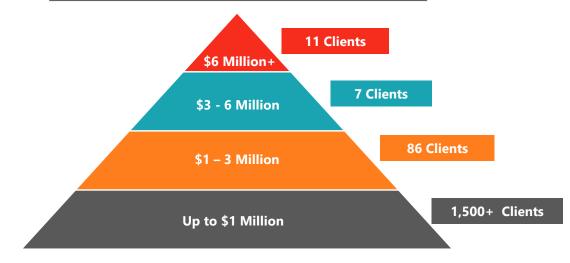


Top 10 clients' tenure continues to remain above 20 years\*

#### **Revenue by Industry**



#### **Client-wise Contracts – 9mFY25 Revenue**



## Consolidated P&L – Q3 & 9m FY25

Particulars (in USD Million)	Q3 FY25	Q3 FY24	YoY	Q2 FY25	QoQ	9m FY25	9m FY24	YoY
Revenue from Operations	178	196	-9%	177	0%	524	568	-8%
Gross Profit	53	50	5%	53	-1%	158	152	4%
Gross Profit Margin	29.8%	25.7%		30.2%		30.3%	26.7%	
Gain on foreign currency transaction (net)	-1	0		0		-1	1	
Total Other Expenses	36	37		38		112	116	
EBITDA	16	14	15%	16	-1%	45	36	25%
EBITDA Margin	8.9%	7.0%		9.0%		8.7%	6.4%	
Other Income	0	1		0		0	2	
Gain/(Loss) on cashflow hedges	0	-0		-0		-0	-0	
Depreciation (as per IND AS 116)	4	3		3		10	10	
Depreciation (as per business)^	2	2		2		6	5	
EBIT	12	11		13		36	28	
EBIT Margin	6.9%	5.8%		7.2%		6.8%	5.0%	
Finance Cost (as per IND AS 116)	4	4		4		12	12	
Finance Cost (as per business)^	3	4		3		10	10	
Exceptional Item Gain/(Loss)	-2	-1		-2		-6	-4	
Profit before Tax	7	6	15%	6	8%	18	13	41%
PBT Margin	3.9%	3.1%		3.6%		3.5%	2.3%	
Tax	0	1		0		1	2	
PAT	7	5	37%	6	10%	17	11	49%
PAT Margin	3.7%	2.5%		3.4%		3.3%	2.0%	

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## MEDIUM TERM TARGETS





## **FY25 Revised Guidance and FY26 Target**

FY25 EBITDA margin revised upwards; FY26 EBITDA and PAT margin expected to be higher

Particulars (in USD Mn)	Actual FY24	Actual 9m FY25	Earlier FY25E	Revised FY25E	FY26E
REVENUE	744	524	781 – 817	701 – 710	799 – 829
EBITDA	51	45	62 – 66	62 – 63	72 – 76
EBITDA Margin	6.8%	8.7%	8.0% - 8.1%	8.9%	9.0% - 9.2%
PAT	16	17	26 – 30	24 – 25	31 – 34
PAT Margin	2.2%	3.3%	3.3% - 3.6%	3.5%	3.9% - 4.1%

Estimated EBITDA growth in FY25, YoY: 23%-25% Estimated PAT growth in FY25, YoY: 49%-53%

#### **FY25 Guidance Revision and FY26 Guidance**

#### **Revenue:**

- Revenue is impacted in FY25 predominantly due to subdued order book as a result of delayed decision making with some of our large customers coupled with company's strategy to exit the tail customers
- Improved order bookings in Q4 FY25 along with robust order pipeline in large digital infrastructure projects such as data centers, airports, and healthcare customers.
- Win-rate on the large enterprise opportunities and highvalue opportunities expected to strengthen from Q1FY26.
   Pipeline conversion and improved win-rate to positively impact the revenues beginning Q2FY26 onwards

#### **EBITDA:**

- Expect to achieve the EBITDA guidance in FY25 despite lower revenue
- EBITDA Margins revised upwards having surpassed company's estimates due to better efficiencies, improved productivity and quality of revenue

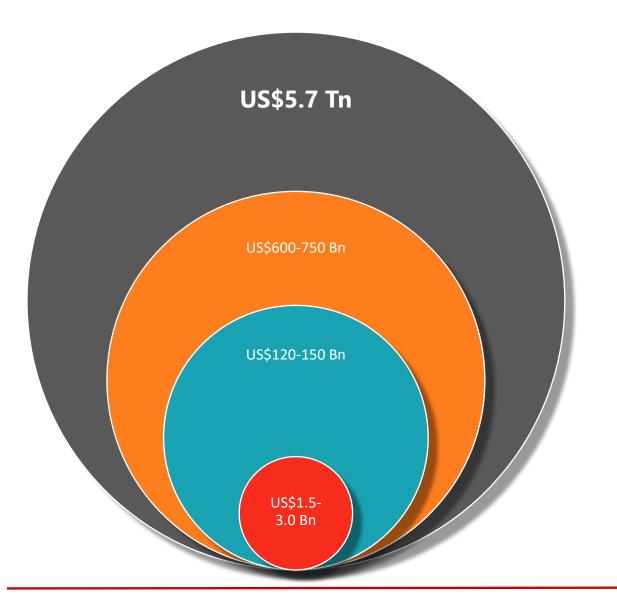
#### PAT:

 PAT guidance for FY25 revised due to higher exceptional items than anticipated at the beginning of the year



## **Industry Size**

**Targeting up to 2.0% market share of the industry** 



**US\$ 5.7 Tn** (9.3% YoY growth)

Gartner worldwide IT spending forecast 2025\*

~12%-15%

IT infrastructure spend within total IT spend

~20%

Total Addressable Market (TAM)

Black Box's right-to-win based on its products & services portfolio

1.5%-2.0%

Black Box' targeted market share of TAM over medium to long term



Source: Gartner

## **Strategic Initiatives & Focus Towards Revenue Growth**



Renewed the Go-To-Market (GTM) structure



Focus on industry verticals and horizontal solution as GTM strategy





Significant strengthening of leadership & sales teams



Deeper engagement with top 300 largest customers



Focus on increasing the number of large value contracts



## Renewed Go-To-Market Operating Model (Q1 FY25 onwards)

Focused on 'industry verticals' for vertical specific and customised offerings

Vertical	<b>→</b>	Financial Services	Techno	ology	Healt	Consumer & Services			lic Commercia Industria	
Horizontal	<b>†</b>	Existing Accounts New Accounts	Existing Accounts	New Accounts	Existing Accounts	New Accounts	Existing Accounts	New Accounts	Existing Accounts	New Accounts
Connectivity Infrastructure		Revenue	Streams		Business	s Enablers		Serv	ce Deliver	y
Data Center		Proje	ects		Mar	keting		Project	Managem	ent
Modern Workplace		Managed	Services		Sales O	perations			a Center of ccellence	
Enterprise Network	king	Maintenance				rement anagemen	t	Rem	al / Horizor Delivery ote Service	
Cybersecurity									Delivery	



## Renewed Go-To-Market Supported With Scalable Account Planning ...

... to aide business growth and foster strong customer relationship



Performed 'account planning' exercise for a strategic approach designed to increase sales, achieve higher business growth and build long-term sustainable & scalable customer relationship

- Deeper focus on verticals
- Focus on further penetration among top 300 customers and high potential accounts
- Participate in getting higher value contracts with large IT spenders, but currently not in the top 300





Hiring 'Vertical Heads and Senior Leaders' across the newly established verticals to provide sector specific solutions and be able to cross-sell to customers; also to improve customer engagement for repeat business and higher value contracts



Verticalised focus to help **identify new market opportunities** within specific industries; fulfil emerging trends or unmet customer demands



Increasing multi-geography focus with existing customers; ensures deeper engagement and allows higher wallet share



Increases competitive advantage with the ability to participate in large-value projects

## ESG Roadmap: 2024 To 2029 And Beyond

#### **Responsibility as a Global Corporate Citizen**

## **Aligning to Regulatory and Customer Framework**



#### DATA AGGREGATION

- Data Review and Stake Holders Consultations
- Assess current initiatives
- Expand ESG Committee & Scope



## **BUILDING THE FOUNDATION**

- ESG Awareness Policy
- Materiality Assessment
- Team Formation & KPIs
- Data & Internal processes



#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

- Execute ESG Roadmap
- GHG Inventory (Scope 1, 2 & 3)
- Set Decarbonisation target
- Prepare BRSR Reporting



## DISCLOSURES & RATINGS

- BRSR Reporting
- GRI Targets
- · SBTi Targets
- CDP Ratings
- EcoVadis Ratings

2024

#### **Preparation & Planning**

- ESG Awareness, Materiality Assessment
- Data Review, Stakeholder Consultations
- Expand ESG Committee, Develop Policy & Roadmap
- Disclosures and Ratings -GRI, BRSR, SBTi, CDP, EcoVadis

#### **Building the Foundation**

- ESG Awareness, Make amendments
- Team Formation, KPI Setting, Data & Process Setup

2025

2026

## Implementations & Audits

- Execute ESG Roadmap, achieve Decarbonization Targets
- Conduct GHG Inventory (Scope 1, 2 & 3) Audits

## Sustainability Reporting, & Submission

- GHG emission and management reporting SBTi
- Supply Chain Integration

2027

2028

#### **Continuous Improvement**

- Continuously monitor and improve ESG performance
- Position the company as an industry leader in ESG practices

Long-term Sustainability

- Assessment of longterm ESG goals
- Creating a strong ESG ecosystem within the organization

2029



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## HISTORICAL FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS





### **Consolidated P&L Statement**

Successful turnaround of Black Box Ltd# after its acquisition and merger in FY20

Particulars (in USD Million)	FY19	FY20*	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
	212			424		
Revenue from Operations	219	591	553	636	744	744
Gross Profit	59	180	177	183	194	203
Gross Profit Margin	26.8%	30.4%	32.0%	28.9%	26.1%	27.3%
Gain on foreign currency transaction (net)	0	0	0	0	-0	0
Total Other Expenses	53	141	136	153	162	153
EBITDA	6	39	42	31	32	51
EBITDA Margin	2.5%	6.6%	7.5%	4.8%	4.3%	6.8%
Other Income	1	1	1	1	3	2
Gain/(Loss) on cashflow hedges	0	0	0	0	2	0
Depreciation (as per IND AS 116)	2	11	11	12	13	14
Depreciation (as per business)^	2	5	4	6	5	7
EBIT	5	29	32	20	24	40
EBIT Margin	2.1%	4.9%	5.7%	3.1%	3.2%	5.3%
Finance Cost (as per IND AS 116)	5	16	12	9	13	17
Finance Cost (as per business)^	5	15	10	7	11	14
Loss / (gain) on fair value of financial liability	0	-4	-5	0	0	0
Gain on settlement of financial liability	0	-3	0	2	0	0
Loss on fair valuation of deferred purchase consideration	0	0	0	0	-1	0
Share of net profit / (loss) of associate accounted for using the equity method	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exceptional Item Gain/(Loss)	-9	-15	-4	-3	-6	-5
Profit before Tax	-9	-9	11	10	3	19
PBT Margin	-4.3%	-1.5%	2.1%	1.6%	0.5%	2.5%
Tax	-0	1	2	2	1	2
PAT	-9	-9	9	9	3	16
PAT Margin	-4.3%	-1.6%	1.7%	1.4%	0.4%	2.2%



Our financial results are published in INR in India, for comparison purpose all the financial figures has been converted to same exchange rate i.e., 1 USD = INR 84.47

## **Consolidated Balance Sheet**

## **Asset-light with low leverage**

Particulars (in USD Million)	Mar-19	Mar-20*	Mar-21	Mar-22	Mar-23	Mar-24
Non-Current Assets						
Property, Plant And Equipment	18	19	19	23	19	14
Right Of Use Asset	0	14	17	23	31	34
Goodwill	24	28	32	36	37	40
Other Intangible Assets	5	5	5	6	7	7
Investment accounted for using the equity method	0	0	0	0	4	4
Financial Assets	1	3	3	3	2	4
Tax Assets (net)	11	11	8	7	7	5
Other Non-Current Assets	3	10	4	3	8	6
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>	63	90	89	100	116	114
Current Assets						
Inventories	18	16	18	27	43	29
Trade Receivables	102	43	28	44	50	46
Cash And Cash Equivalents	31	44	49	37	25	26
Financial Assets	12	48	63	66	80	60
Contract assets	0	0	0	5	13	29
Other Current Assets	62	33	26	34	29	24
Sub-Total - Current Assets	225	183	184	214	240	215
Total - Assets	288	273	273	314	355	329

Particulars (in USD Million)	Mar-19	Mar-20*	Mar-21	Mar-22	Mar-23	Mar-24
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES						
Equity						
Equity Share Capital	4	4	4	4	4	4
Other Equity	-1	-24	21	27	31	53
Total Equity	2	-21	24	31	35	57
Non-Current Liabilities						
Borrowing	69	2	14	27	36	43
Lease Liabilities	0	8	11	14	26	32
Other Financial Liabilities	0	19	10	1	1	1
Contract liabilities	0	0	0	6	6	6
Other Non Current Liabilities	6	8	3	0	0	0
Provisions	14	23	9	8	9	6
Sub-Total - Non-Current Liabilities	89	59	48	56	78	88
Current Liabilities						
Borrowing	24	29	7	5	6	4
Trade Payables	65	65	61	119	137	83
Lease Liabilities	0	8	7	11	6	6
Other Financial Liabilities	33	67	44	21	11	19
Contract liabilities	0	0	0	56	60	59
Other Current Liabilities	58	56	67	6	14	4
Provisions	16	10	15	9	8	9
Sub-Total - Current Liabilities	196	235	201	227	242	184
Total - Equity And Liabilities	288	273	273	314	355	329

## **Summary of Consolidated Cash Flows**

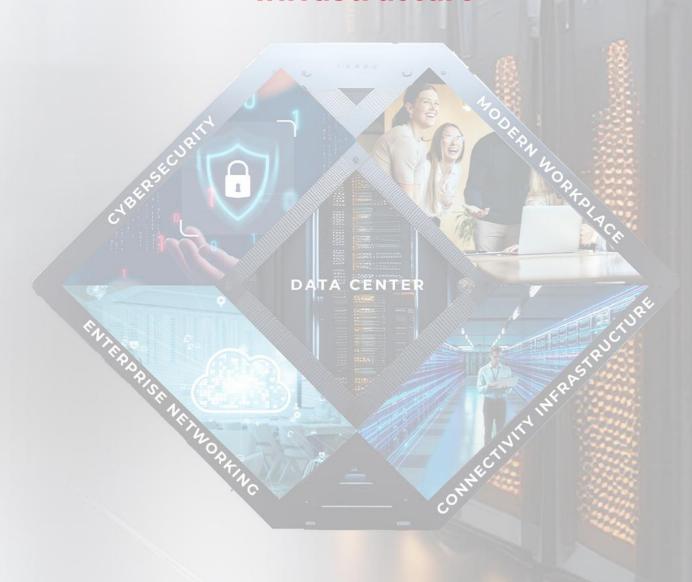
### Low capex business model

Particulars (in USD Million)	FY19	FY20*	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
Operating profit before working capital changes	(4)	41	48	27	35	50
Changes in working capital	(2)	97	(18)	(13)	(33)	(37)
Cash generated from operations	(5)	138	251	14	2	13
Direct taxes paid (net of refund)	(3)	(3)	6	(3)	0	3
Net Cash from Operating Activities (A)	(9)	135	257	11	2	16
Net Cash from Investing Activities (B)	(42)	(39)	(4)	(8)	2	0
Net Cash from Financing Activities (C)	74	-76	(33)	(5)	(7)	(18)
Net Change in cash and cash equivalents	24	19	(1)	(2)	(3)	(3)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year**	1	24	37	42	36	24
Unrealised loss on foreign currency cash and cash equivalents	-	(6)	6	-4	-9	4
Cash and cash equivalents transferred pursuant to acquisition of subsidairy	-	-	-	-	-	1
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year**	24	37	42	36	24	25



## Propelling Digital Infrastructure

# ABOUT THE COMPANY





## **Corporate Overview**

#### A global digital infrastructure services provider

Black Box is a global digital infrastructure integrator delivering network and system integration services and solutions, support services, and technology products to businesses in the United States, Europe, India, Asia Pacific, the Middle East, and Latin America and has around 3,600 professionals globally.

Black Box has strong service offerings in network integration, digital connectivity infrastructure, data center build-out, modern workplace, and cybersecurity for businesses across various industries including financial services, technology, healthcare, retail, public services like airports; manufacturing, and other sectors.



35 +Presence in Countries



**30**+ Global Technology **Partnerships** 



5,000+ **Active Client Locations** Serviced On-Site



Delivery & Support Centers **Across 6 Continents** 

**75** 



~3,600 **Global Representatives** 



3,100 Certifications



120 +

Fortune 500 Clients



1,500+

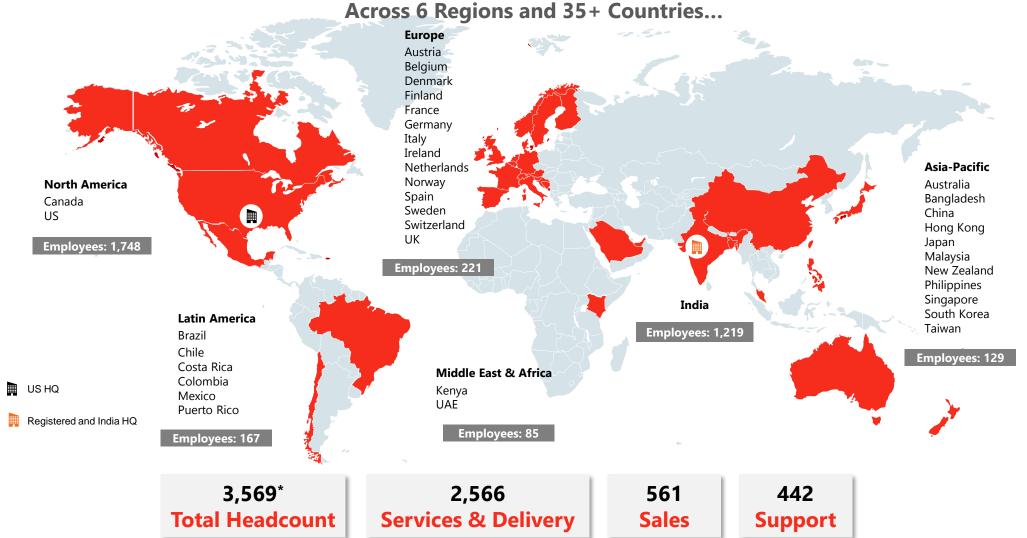
**Global Customers** 



## **Global Footprint**

Large presence to service the global players

Seamlessly transforming technology across enterprises economically, uniformly, and with scale at a global level





## **Portfolio Offering**



## **Global Solutions Integration**



Connectivity Infrastructure
Data Center
Enterprise Networking
Modern Workplace
Cybersecurity



## **Technology Product Solutions**

#### 12%

Audio Video
Internet of Things
Support Services
Professional Services



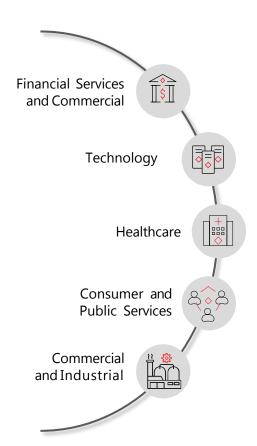
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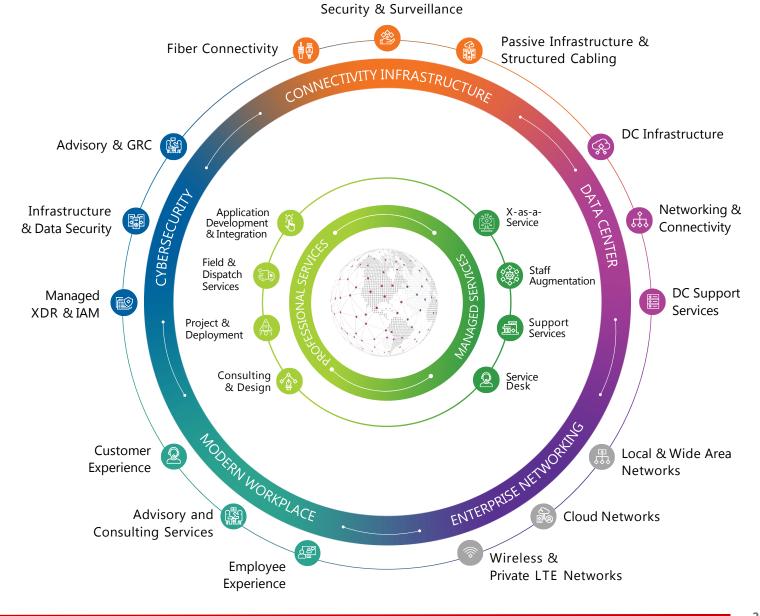
#### 2%

Training
Consulting
Design services



## **Global Solutions Integration**

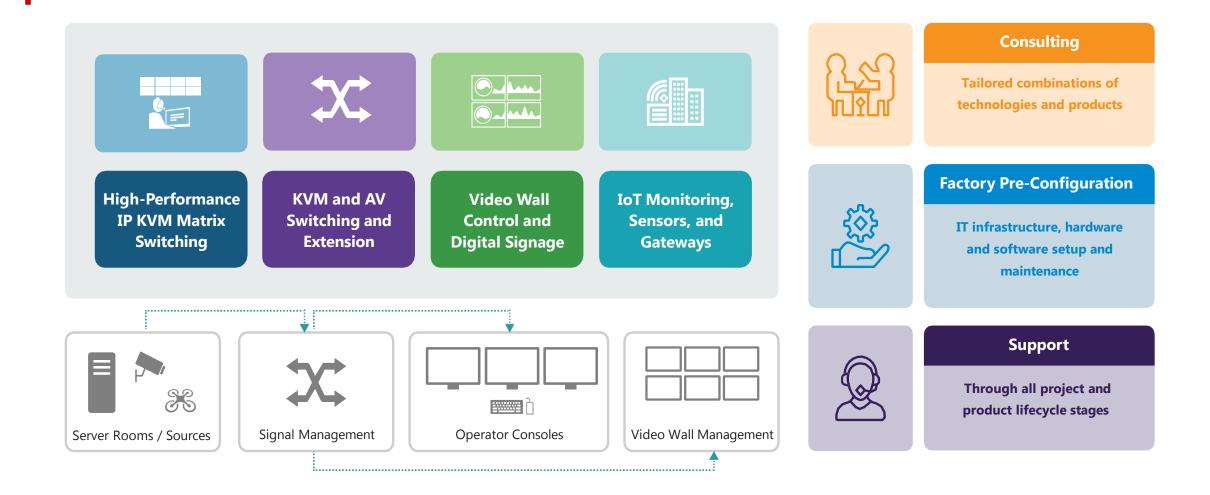




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## **Technology Product Solutions**





#### **Few Customers**

**Associated with many of the global marquee and fortune 500 companies** 

























































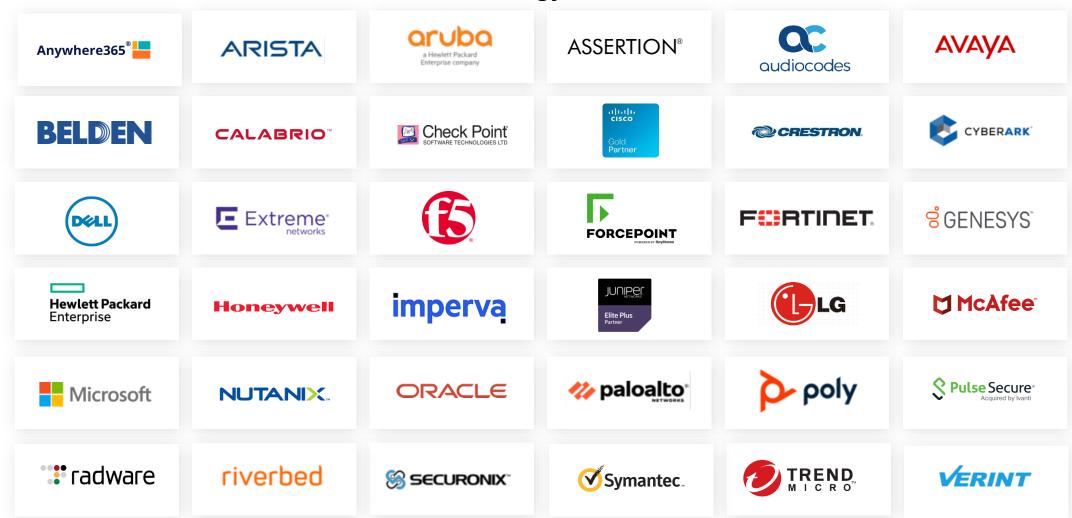






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