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Dear Sirs,

#### Sub: Press release for the quarter and year ended 31st March 2025

We are enclosing a press release issued by the Company in connection with results for the quarter and year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

This is for your information and records.

Thank you,

For United Spirits Limited

Mital Sanghvi Company Secretary

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# United Spirits Limited

## Press Release

Audited financial results for the quarter and financial year ended 31 March 2025

(Consolidated & Standalone)

**Bengaluru, India - May 20, 2025:** United Spirits Ltd., one of the leading beverage alcohol companies in India, reported its audited consolidated & standalone results for the fourth quarter and financial year ended 31 March 2025.

#### Key Highlights for Q4FY25 & FY25: (Like-for-Like)

#### Consolidated

- Q4FY25 reported net sales value (NSV) at INR3,031 Cr. (+8.9%) and FY25 at INR12,069 Cr. (+6.6%)
- Q4FY25 underlying net sales value (NSV) at INR3,068 Cr. (+10.2%) and FY25 at INR12,106 Cr. (+6.9%)
- Q4FY25 EBITDA at INR460 Cr. (+37.7%) and FY25 at INR2,243 Cr. (+12.1%)

#### **Standalone**

- Q4FY25 reported NSV at INR2,946 Cr. (+10.5%) and FY25 at INR11,573 Cr. (+8.2%)
- Q4FY25 underlying NSV at INR2,983 Cr. (+11.9%) and FY25 at INR11,610 Cr. (+8.6%)
- Q4FY25 Prestige & Above NSV growth at 13.2% and FY25 at 9.9%
- Q4FY25 EBITDA at INR505 Cr. (+39.5%) and FY25 at INR2,058 Cr. (+20.5%)
- Q4FY25 EBITDA margin at 17.1% and FY25 at 17.8%

Mr. Praveen Someshwar, CEO & Managing Director, commenting on the FY25 performance, said:

"The challenging demand environment notwithstanding, we have delivered 13.2% NSV growth for P&A in Q4FY25 and 9.9% P&A growth for FY25, and a leveraged EBITDA growth that takes us to our medium-term guidance.

The Board of Directors have recommended a final dividend of INR8.0 per share for the fiscal year 2024-25, subject to Shareholder's approval.

Looking ahead, we remain focused on delivering sustained growth while creating long-term value for all our stakeholders in line with our ambition to be the best performing, most trusted and respected CPG company in India."

#### Q4FY25 performance highlights:

#### Consolidated

- Reported net sales value (NSV) was at INR3,031 Cr., up 8.9% versus same period prior year. Underlying growth was 10.2%. This was driven by the growth in the standalone business partly offset by lower number of Men's Indian Premier League (IPL) matches played by Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) in Jan-Mar quarter vs prior year same quarter.
- EBITDA was at INR460 Cr., a growth of 37.7% versus prior year in-line with strong leveraged growth in the standalone business.
- Profit after tax was at INR421 Cr.

#### Standalone

- Total reported NSV at INR2,946 Cr., up 10.5% YoY and underlying NSV at INR2,983 Cr. registered a growth of 11.9%. The growth was driven by continued resilience of our portfolio in a challenging consumer environment as well as due to a favourable base as business commenced in the state of Andhra Pradesh in Sep-24 after a gap of 5 years. Within the above, Prestige & Above segment grew 13.2%.
- NSV for the Popular segment grew 1.1%.
- Gross profit grew 13.4% and reported gross margin was at 44.5%, an expansion of 115 bps YoY. The expansion is led by headline pricing realisation flow-through, ongoing revenue growth management and cogs productivity initiatives, stable commodity basket partially offset by ENA inflation.
- A&P re-investment rate was 10.8% of net sales, reflecting consistent investment behind the trademarks.
- EBITDA at INR505 Cr., an increase of 39.5% YoY on the back of strong gross profit growth and continued discipline and productivity across the value chain. EBITDA margin was 17.1%, an expansion of 358 bps over prior year same quarter.
- Interest cost at INR22 Cr., was down 24.1%. The interest cost is on account of the customary nondebt related items.
- Profit after tax was INR451 Cr. with a net profit margin of 15.3%.

#### FY25 performance highlights:

#### Consolidated:

- Net sales value (NSV) at INR12,069 Cr., up 6.6% YoY, driven by growth in the standalone business.
- Underlying net sales value (NSV) at INR12,106, up 6.9% YoY.
- EBITDA was at INR2,243 Cr., growth of 12.1% YoY.
- Profit after tax was at INR1,582 Cr, up 12.4% YoY.

#### Standalone:

- Total NSV at INR11,573 Cr. increased 8.2% YoY, driven by re-entry in the market of Andhra Pradesh and resilient performance of our trademarks. Within the above, Prestige & Above segment grew 9.9%.
- NSV for the Popular segment was almost flat (+0.8% YoY).
- Gross profit increased by 11.5%, while gross margin at 44.7% was an expansion of 129 bps versus last year. The expansion is led by headline pricing realisation flow-through, ongoing revenue growth management and cogs productivity initiatives partially offset by ENA inflation.
- A&P re-investment rate was 9.7% of sales as we continue to invest behind the brands to build and maintain mental availability for the trademarks.
- EBITDA at INR2,058 Cr., an increase of 20.5% YoY. EBITDA margin at 17.8%, an expansion of 181 bps versus prior year. This was largely driven by gross margin expansion and productivity across the value chain.
- Interest cost at INR89 Cr., is up 17.1%. Interest cost is on account of customary non-debt related items
- Exceptional charge of INR65 Cr. is related to multi-year supply agility programme.
- Profit after tax was INR1,558 Cr. with a net profit margin of 13.5%, up 18.8% YoY.

#### **Key Financial Information (Standalone basis)**

In compliance with Schedule III of the Companies Act, 2013, the company has reported revenue from operations inclusive of excise duty.

| Key performance indicators as a % of net sales (Standalone) |        |        |        |        |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|   | Q4FY25 | Q4FY24 | FY25   | FY24   |
| Gross profit margin (%)                                     | 44.5   | 43.3   | 44.7   | 43.4   |
| Staff cost (%)  | (4.7)  | (5.0)  | (5.2)  | (5.1)  |
| Marketing spends (%)  | (10.8) | (12.2) | (9.7)  | (9.7)  |
| Other overheads (%)   | (11.9) | (12.5) | (12.0) | (12.6) |
| EBITDA growth (% YoY)                                       | 39.5   | 6.9    | 20.5   | 30.9   |
| EBITDA margin (%)   | 17.1   | 13.6   | 17.8   | 16.0   |
| EPS (INR)   | 6.2    | 5.3    | 21.4   | 18.0   |
| Pre-exceptional EPS (INR)                                   | 6.2    | 5.7    | 22.3   | 18.3   |

| <b>Summary Financial Information -</b> | For the period en | ided 31 March | 2025 (Standal | one)     |
|--|-------------------|---------------|---------------|----------|
| INR Crores.                            | Q4FY25            | Q4FY24        | FY25          | FY24     |
| Volume ('000 cases)                    | 16,669            | 15,595        | 63,937        | 61,443   |
| Gross revenue                          | 6,549             | 6,394         | 26,780        | 25,389   |
| Excise Duty                            | (3,603)           | (3,728)       | (15,207)      | (14,697) |
| Underlying net sales                   | 2,983             | 2,666         | 11,610        | 10,692   |
| Reported net sales                     | 2,946             | 2,666         | 11,573        | 10,692   |
| COGS                                   | (1,636)           | (1,511)       | (6,397)       | (6,048)  |
| Gross profit                           | 1,310             | 1,155         | 5,176         | 4,644    |
| Staff cost                             | (137)             | (134)         | (605)         | (543)    |
| Marketing spends                       | (317)             | (326)         | (1,128)       | (1,041)  |
| Other Overheads                        | (351)             | (333)         | (1,385)       | (1,352)  |
| EBITDA                                 | 505               | 362           | 2,058         | 1,708    |
| Other Income                           | 170               | 229           | 426           | 335      |
| Depreciation                           | (68)              | (71)          | (274)         | (264)    |
| EBIT                                   | 607               | 520           | 2,210         | 1,779    |
| Interest                               | (22)              | (29)          | (89)          | (76)     |
| PBT before exceptional items           | 585               | 491           | 2,121         | 1,703    |
| Exceptionals#                          | (0)               | (31)          | (65)          | (17)     |
| РВТ                                    | 585               | 460           | 2,056         | 1,686    |
| Tax                                    | (134)             | (76)          | (498)         | (374)    |
| PAT                                    | 451               | 384           | 1,558         | 1,312    |

<sup>#</sup>Exceptionals for FY25 relate to the multi-year supply agility program. Exceptionals for FY24 are primarily on account of two components: 1) income from the slump sale of the business undertaking associated with 32 brands in the 'Popular' segment, 2) Costs on account of the ongoing multi-year supply agility programme.

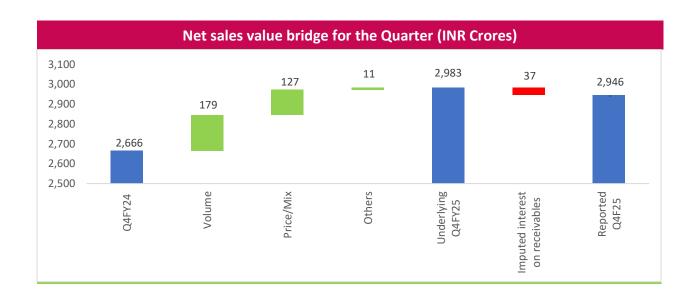
#### **Business Segment Review**

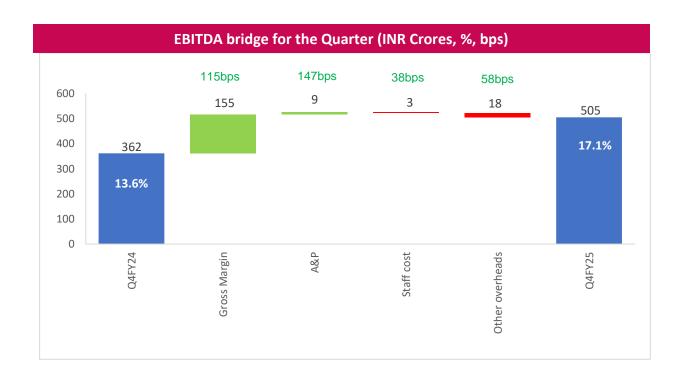
| For the financial year ended 31st March 2025 (Standalone) |         |         |          |                      |         |          |
|---|---------|---------|----------|----------------------|---------|----------|
|   | Volume  |         |          | Underlying Net Sales |         |          |
| Segment   | FY25    | FY24    | Movement | FY25                 | FY24    | Movement |
|   | '000 cs | '000 cs | %        | INR Cr.              | INR Cr. | %        |
| P&A   | 52,890  | 50,183  | 5.4      | 10,271               | 9,346   | 9.9      |
| Popular   | 11,047  | 11,260  | (1.9)    | 1,121                | 1,113   | 0.8      |
| Other   |         |         |          | 218                  | 234     | (6.7)    |
| TOTAL   | 63,937  | 61,443  | 4.1      | 11,610               | 10,692  | 8.6      |

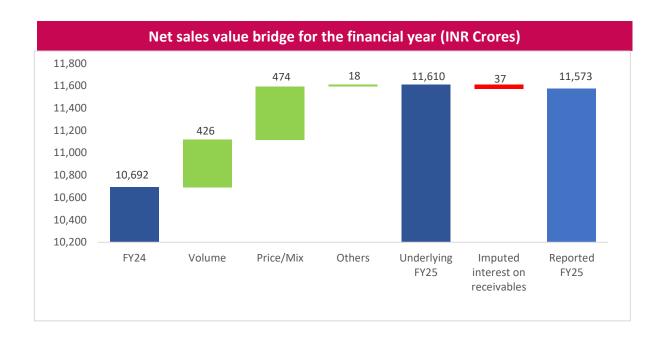
- The **Prestige & Above (P&A) segment** accounted for 88.5% of the underlying net sales during the financial year ended March 2025, up 1.1ppts over the prior year. P&A segment net sales increased 9.9% during the same period.
- The Popular segment accounted for 9.7% of the underlying net sales during the financial year ended March 2025, down 0.7ppt compared to the same period last year. The Popular segment net sales was up 0.8% during the same period.

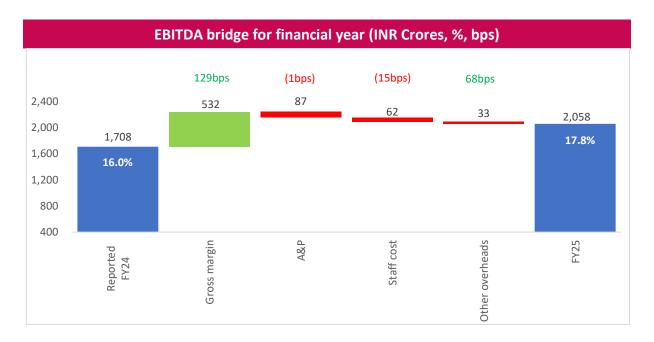
| For the quarter ended 31 March 2025 (Standalone) |         |         |                      |         |         |          |
|--|---------|---------|----------------------|---------|---------|----------|
| Volume   |         |         | Underlying Net Sales |         |         |          |
| Segment  | Q4FY25  | Q4FY24  | Movement             | Q4FY25  | Q4FY24  | Movement |
|  | '000 cs | '000 cs | %                    | INR Cr. | INR Cr. | %        |
| P&A  | 13,558  | 12,415  | 9.2                  | 2,616   | 2,310   | 13.2     |
| Popular  | 3,111   | 3,180   | (2.2)                | 312     | 309     | 1.1      |
| Other  |         |         |                      | 55      | 47      | 16.9     |
| TOTAL  | 16,669  | 15,595  | 6.9                  | 2,983   | 2,666   | 11.9     |

- The **Prestige & Above segment** accounted for 87.7% of net underlying sales during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2025. Prestige & Above segment net sales increased 13.2% during the same period.
- The **Popular segment** accounted for 10.5% of net sales during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2025. The Popular segment net sales registered a growth of 1.1% during the fourth quarter.









#### **Q&A CONFERENCE CALL**

Mr. Praveen Someshwar, Managing Director & CEO and Mr. Pradeep Jain, Executive Director & CFO will be hosting a Q&A conference call on **Friday, 23rd May 2025** at **4:30 pm IST**. Please use the link below to view the presentation and listen to the webcast or alternatively use the dial-in details for a listen-only option.

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#### **About Diageo India**

Diageo India is among India's leading beverage alcohol (alcobev) companies with an outstanding portfolio of premium brands. A subsidiary of Diageo Plc., it is listed in India on both the National Stock Exchange (NSE) and Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) as United Spirits Limited (USL).

Headquartered in Bengaluru, Diageo India has one of the largest manufacturing footprints in alcobev with 36 facilities across India. It manufactures, sells and distributes Johnnie Walker, Black Dog, Black & White, VAT 69, Antiquity, Signature, The Singleton, Royal Challenge, McDowell's No1, Smirnoff, Ketel One, Tanqueray, Captain Morgan and Godawan, an artisanal single malt whisky from India, bringing together global expertise and local pride to deliver innovative, world-class products and experiences to consumers. With a strong focus on driving a positive impact on society, Diageo India has been working on collective action to improve livelihoods, championing Grain to Glass sustainability, responsible consumption and nurturing the alcobev ecosystem, to contribute to India's growth agenda.

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