

LAUNCHES likely in 3-4 weeks, six more may follow in two months; buoyant markets, liquidity driving fundraising plans

IPO Rush: 6 Cos Seek to Raise Over ₹10k cr

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Mumbai: It's pouring IPOs this monsoon season in Mumbai.

Half-a-dozen companies — Sona BLW Precision Forgings, Shyam Metalics, India Pesticides, KIMS Hospital, Clean Science & Technology, and Dodla Dairy — will hit the primary market in the next four weeks to raise collectively ₹10,500 crore in initial share sales, while another six firms are finalising plans to raise funds in the next two months.

The ₹5,550-crore issue of Blackstone-backed Sona BLW Precision Forging will open for subscription on June 14 at a price band of ₹285-291 per share. The auto component maker's public issue comprises fresh issue of equity shares of up to ₹300 crore and offer-for-sale of up to ₹5,250 crore by the Blackstone Group.

Steel manufacturing company Shyam Metalics and Energy also has announced the launch of its ₹909 crore

Calling for Subscriptions

IPOs within Next Month

Company	Tentative Size (₹ Cr)
Sona BLW Precision	5,550
Clean Science and Tech	1,500
KIMS Hospitals	800
Dodla Dairy	800
Shyam Metalics	900
India Pesticides	800

DRHPs Filed with Sebi

Company	Tentative Size (₹ Cr)
Zomato	8,250
Aadhar Housing Fin	7,300
Nuvoco Vistas Corp	5,000
Go Airlines (India)	3,600
Chemplast Sanmar	3,500
Aptus Value Housing	3,000

Source: primedatabase.com



IPO, which will open on June 14. The price band for the issue has been fixed at ₹303-306 per share. The public issue comprises a fresh issue of up to ₹657 crore, and an offer for sale up to ₹252 crore by promoters.

Apart from these two companies, KIMS Hospitals, Dodla Dairy and India Pesticides are planning to raise ₹800 crore each through IPOs in

the next two to three weeks, while Clean Science & Technology is likely to launch its maiden ₹1,500-crore IPO in the first week of July.

"This year could be a record year in terms of fundraising through IPOs," said V Jayashankar, head of equity, Kotak Investment Banking. "The buoyant secondary markets and excess liquidity that

institutional investors are sitting on have made more companies rush to raise funds through the primary market."

Since March this year, eight companies including Seven Iceland Shipping, Dodla Dairy, Arohan Financial Services, KIMS Hospitals, India Pesticides, Rolex Rings, Glenmark Life Sciences, and Ut-

karsh Small Finance Bank received Sebi approvals to float IPOs.

Another 25 companies have filed their draft red herring prospectuses (DRHP) with the market regulator to raise more than ₹50,000 crore. Foodtech platform Zomato filed its DRHP for ₹8,250 crore. Aadhar Housing Finance is planning a ₹7,000-crore IPO while Nuvoco Vistas Corporation filed DRHP to raise around ₹5,000 crore.

"There is enough investor appetite for IPOs provided they are priced well," said Ajay Saraf, executive director at ICICI Securities. "The success of a recent IPO and its returns will prompt investors to put more money into the primary market."

So far in 2021, 17 companies have raised ₹17,500 crore through IPOs. The last IPO was from Microtech Developers, which raised ₹2500 crore in early April. But in the last two months, not a single IPO was launched except an InvIT from Power-Grid Infrastructure, raising about ₹7,735 crore.