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# **Transport Corporation of India**

Rating: ◀▶ | Target price: ▲ | EPS: ▲

### **ONE YEAR OUTLOOK**

### Business & Earnings

- Maintain our positive stance on TRPC as it is expected to benefit from 1) recovery in automotive demand and scale up of new contracts (especially ecommerce) driving 3PL growth (TCI Supply Chain (SCS)), 2) thrust in demand for coastal shipping, 3) shift in focus towards multimodal transportation for cost-efficient logistics and 4) increasing contribution of less than truckload (LTL) to freight operations driving margins.
- Seaways segment reported a revenue growth of 21% 2Y CAGR in 1Q aided by healthy demand for coastal cargo movement. EBITDA margins at 35% expanded 160bps QoQ due to return cargo availability at Myanmar. We expect addition of new ship (higher capacity and better operating efficiencies) towards end of FY22E coupled with sustained demand and pricing to drive revenue/EBITDA CAGR of 29%/35% (F21-23E).
- In a COVID second wave impacted 1QFY22, SCS segment revenue grew 5% 2Y CAGR as operations revamped by Jun-21. Expect 1) strong automotive demand (~80% of SCS revenues in FY21), 2) addition of new clientele, 3) multimodal opportunities (3 trains to carry finished automotive) and 4) cold chain opportunities, to drive revenue/EBITDA CAGR of 24% and 26%, respectively through FY21-23E.
- Expect freight division to benefit from 1) higher LTL contribution (40% by FY25 from 33% in FY21), 2) shift from unorganised sector, and 3) growth in multimodal logistics (71% revenue growth by TCI-Concor for FY21). Expect revenue and EBITDA CAGR (FY21-23E) of 14%/22% respectively.

### Valuation Multiples

Valuing based on SOTP (page 2) to arrive at TP of Rs.500 (FY23). Despite capex (~Rs. 4bn through FY22-23) towards addition of ship, infrastructure and technology, RoCEs likely to improve from 12% to 17% in FY23.

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|---------|-----------------------|-------------|-------|------|------|---------------|---------|
|         | NET SALES<br>(Rs. mn) | EBITDA<br>% | ΡΑΤ   | EPS  | P/E  | EV/<br>EBITDA | ROE (%) |
| FY20    | 25,134                | 9.3%        | 1,257 | 16.4 | 27.2 | 16.2          | 14%     |
| FY21    | 24,520                | 10.1%       | 1,452 | 19.0 | 23.5 | 14.8          | 14%     |
| FY22E   | 30,035                | 10.5%       | 1,980 | 25.9 | 17.2 | 11.7          | 17%     |
| FY23E   | 35,613                | 11.8%       | 2,758 | 36.0 | 12.4 | 8.6           | 20%     |

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### Business & Earnings

Expect TRPC to benefit from 1) shift in volumes from unorganised sector to organised. and 2) traction in multimodal logistics (TRPC is one of the few players with presence across value chain), which would drive revenue and EBITDA CAGR of 15%/22% respectively through FY21-25E.

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Rs. 446

**Target Price** 

Rs. 500

Rating **BUY** 

- TRPC's established infrastructure, long-standing customer relationships and experienced management team (vintage of ~six decades) are expected to aid its position as a preferred 3PL partner. Furthermore, presence across multimodal logistics value chain (JV with Concor for rail transportation and fleet of ships for waterway transportation) allows TRPC to provide efficient end-to-end logistics solutions. Robust demand for multimodal logistics is expected to drive coastal shipping volume growth benefiting Seaways division. Expect addition of new ship every 12-15 months to cater to incremental demand. However, increasing competition may dilute realization and profitability (CONCOR expected to restart coastal shipping operations towards end of FY22E and other logistics service providers evaluate opportunities).
- Expect freight segment to benefit from higher contribution from LTL services. Freight segment's share of overall revenues to reduce from 47% in FY21 to ~39% by FY25E.

### Valuation Multiples

Improving operating cashflows, combined with reducing debt, are expected to drive RoCE (12% in FY21 to ~18% in FY25E). Based on FY25E estimates, we see a potential upside of 51% (incl. dividends).

|                    |                 | FY22E  |        | FY23E          |        |        |  |
|--------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|----------------|--------|--------|--|
|                    | Old             | New    | Change | Old            | New    | Change |  |
| Sales              | 29,521          | 30,035 | 2%     | 33,684         | 35,613 | 6%     |  |
| EBITDA %           | 10.4%           | 10.5%  | 13 bps | 11.2%          | 11.8%  | 58 bps |  |
| PAT                | 1,794           | 1,980  | 10%    | 2,348          | 2,758  | 17%    |  |
| EPS                | 23.4            | 25.9   | 10%    | 30.7           | 36.0   | 17%    |  |
| Implied Target P/E | Before Results: |        | 14x    | After Results: |        | 14x    |  |

### **OUTLOOK REVIEW 10FY22** 5 August 2021

| Industry       | LOGISTICS          |
|----------------|--------------------|
| Key Stock Data |                    |
| Bloomberg      | TRPC IN            |
| Shares o/s     | 77mn               |
| Market Cap     | Rs. 34bn (\$0.5bn) |
| 52-wk High-Low | Rs. 510-168        |
| 3m ADV         | Rs. 177mn (\$2mn)  |
| Index          | BSE SMALLCAP       |
| F&O            | No                 |
|                |                    |

### Latest Shareholding (%)

|              | Dec 20 | Mar 21 | Jun 21 |
|--------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Promoters    | 66.8   | 66.7   | 66.7   |
| Institutions | 14.0   | 13.9   | 14.8   |
| Public       | 19.2   | 19.4   | 18.5   |
| Pledge       |        |        |        |

### Stock Performance (%)

|        | 1m  | 3m   | 12m   |
|--------|-----|------|-------|
| TRPC   | 8.7 | 61.9 | 158.8 |
| Sensex | 2.8 | 11.7 | 44.4  |

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### **Quarterly Financial Statement**

| Rs. mn\Period          | 1QFY22 | 1QFY21 | yoy Growth | 4QFY21 | qoq Growth | FY20   | FY21   | Yoy Growth |
|------------------------|--------|--------|------------|--------|------------|--------|--------|------------|
| Revenue                | 6,108  | 3,280  | 86.2%      | 7,966  | -23.3%     | 25,134 | 24,520 | -2.4%      |
| perating expense       | 4,835  | 2,587  | 86.9%      | 6,416  | -24.6%     | 20,270 | 19,738 | -2.6%      |
| mp. cost               | 391    | 289    | 35.4%      | 425    | -8.0%      | 1,524  | 1,402  | -8.0%      |
| Other expenses         | 171    | 126    | 36.1%      | 271    | -36.7%     | 1,005  | 902    | -10.3%     |
| otal Expenditure       | 5,397  | 3,001  | 79.8%      | 7,111  | -24.1%     | 22,799 | 22,042 | -3.3%      |
| BITDA                  | 711    | 279    | 155.2%     | 856    | -16.9%     | 2,335  | 2,479  | 6.2%       |
| 1argin %               | 11.6%  | 8.5%   | 315 bps    | 10.7%  | 90 bps     | 9.3%   | 10.1%  | 82 bp:     |
| &A                     | 234    | 195    | 19.6%      | 268    | -12.8%     | 777    | 881    | 13.5%      |
| ВІТ                    | 477    | 83     | 473.0%     | 588    | -18.8%     | 1,558  | 1,598  | 2.5%       |
| Other income           | 107    | 89     | 20.0%      | 105    | 1.3%       | 283    | 352    | 24.3%      |
| Net Interest exp (inc) | 41     | 70     | -41.4%     | 56     | -27.1%     | 324    | 248    | -23.5%     |
| РВТ                    | 543    | 103    | 429.0%     | 637    | -14.7%     | 1,419  | 1,562  | 10.19      |
| Fax provision          | 59     | 4      | 1348.8%    | 73     | -19.1%     | 155    | 214    | 38.7%      |
| Fax rate %             | 10.9%  | 4.0%   |            | 11.5%  |            | 10.2%  | 12.6%  |            |
| PAT (Reported)         | 484    | 99     | 390.8%     | 529    | -8.5%      | 1,264  | 1,348  | 6.6%       |
| PAT (Adjusted)         | 484    | 99     | 390.8%     | 555    | -12.8%     | 1,257  | 1,452  | 15.6%      |
| djusted PAT Margin %   | 7.9%   | 3.0%   | 492 bps    | 7.0%   | 96 bps     | 5.0%   | 5.9%   | 92 bp:     |
| hares Outstanding      | 77     | 77     |            | 77     |            | 77     | 77     |            |
| EPS (Reported)         | 6.3    | 1.3    | 390.8%     | 6.9    | -8.5%      | 17.8   | 17.6   | -1.19      |
| EPS (Adjusted)         | 6.3    | 1.3    | 390.8%     | 7.2    | -12.8%     | 16.4   | 19.0   | 15.6%      |

\*Adjusted for exceptional loss of Rs. 35mn in 4QFY21, Rs. 140mn in FY21 and Rs, 99mn in FY20

| SOTP                   | Rs./Share | Value (Rs. mn) | Basis  |
|------------------------|-----------|----------------|--|
| TCI Freight            |           | 3,500          | 5x FY23e EV/EBITDA                           |
| TCI SCS                |           | 19,027         | 12x FY23e EV/EBITDA                          |
| TCI Seaways            |           | 14,701         | 7x FY23e EV/EBITDA                           |
| Others                 |           | 46             | 2x FY23e EV/EBITDA                           |
| Net Cash(Net Debt)     |           | -1,898         |  |
| Value from TCI         | 464       | 35,376         | 92.9% of Total                               |
| Value from JV          | 35        | 2,710          | 7.1% of Total; Adjusted for hold co discount |
| No. Of Shares O/s (mn) |           | 77             |  |
| Target Price           | 500       | 38,086         |  |

 Supply Chain segment reported revenues at Rs. 2.15bn, were down 5% 2Y CAGR and 27% QoQ.
 EBIT margins at 5.4%, were down 150bps sequentially.

- Seaways segment revenues at Rs.
   1.2bn, were up 21% 2Y CAGR and down 12% QoQ. EBIT margins at 25.5% expanded 200bps YoY.
- Freight segment reported revenues of Rs. 2.88bn, down 2% 2Y CAGR and 26% QoQ. The segment's EBIT margins at 3.6%, were down 50bps sequentially.
- The company incurred a capex of Rs. 30mn during the quarter.

Source: Company data, Spark Capital Research



# **Financial Summary**

**Abridged Financial Statements** 

| Abridged Financial Statements          |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Rs. mn                                 | FY16   | FY17   | FY18   | FY19   | FY20   | FY21   | FY22e  | FY23e  | FY24e  | FY25e  |
| Profit & Loss                          |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Revenue                                | 22,578 | 18,042 | 21,778 | 25,583 | 25,134 | 24,520 | 30,035 | 35,613 | 38,753 | 43,620 |
| Gross profit                           | 4,742  | 3,502  | 4,288  | 4,888  | 4,864  | 4,782  | 5,868  | 7,123  | 7,828  | 8,898  |
| EBITDA                                 | 1,823  | 1,575  | 2,083  | 2,442  | 2,335  | 2,479  | 3,160  | 4,195  | 4,594  | 5,485  |
| Depreciation                           | 539    | 578    | 673    | 752    | 777    | 881    | 1,003  | 1,137  | 1,258  | 1,370  |
| EBIT                                   | 1,284  | 996    | 1,410  | 1,690  | 1,558  | 1,598  | 2,157  | 3,058  | 3,335  | 4,114  |
| Other Income                           | 122    | 177    | 245    | 269    | 283    | 352    | 361    | 375    | 429    | 527    |
| Interest expense                       | 282    | 286    | 299    | 356    | 324    | 248    | 174    | 168    | 135    | 103    |
| Exceptional items                      | 0      | 0      | 40     | 0      | 99     | 140    | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |
| PBT                                    | 1,124  | 888    | 1,316  | 1,603  | 1,419  | 1,562  | 2,344  | 3,266  | 3,629  | 4,539  |
| Reported PAT (after minority interest) | 851    | 703    | 1,037  | 1,276  | 1,264  | 1,348  | 1,980  | 2,758  | 3,066  | 3,834  |
| Adj PAT                                | 850    | 703    | 1,037  | 1,276  | 1,257  | 1,452  | 1,980  | 2,758  | 3,066  | 3,834  |
| EPS (Rs.)                              | 11.2   | 9.2    | 13.5   | 16.7   | 16.4   | 19.0   | 25.9   | 36.0   | 40.0   | 50.1   |
| Balance Sheet                          |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Net Worth                              | 4,917  | 5,809  | 6,769  | 8,370  | 9,500  | 10,804 | 12,630 | 15,236 | 18,148 | 21,829 |
| Deferred Tax                           | 320    | 392    | 443    | 390    | 263    | 263    | 263    | 263    | 263    | 263    |
| Total debt                             | 3,394  | 4,066  | 4,238  | 4,496  | 4,083  | 2,735  | 3,035  | 2,535  | 2,035  | 1,535  |
| Other liabilities and provisions       | 819    | 318    | 535    | 1,290  | 1,263  | 1,375  | 1,484  | 1,744  | 1,890  | 2,117  |
| Total Networth and liabilities         | 9,449  | 10,584 | 11,985 | 14,546 | 15,109 | 15,177 | 17,413 | 19,778 | 22,337 | 25,744 |
| Gross Fixed assets                     | 8,021  | 8,761  | 10,345 | 11,917 | 13,159 | 14,305 | 16,555 | 18,425 | 20,295 | 21,865 |
| Net fixed assets                       | 5,169  | 5,325  | 6,236  | 7,055  | 7,521  | 7,786  | 9,033  | 9,766  | 10,378 | 10,577 |
| Capital work-in-progress               | 123    | 568    | 563    | 40     | 216    | 52     | 52     | 52     | 52     | 52     |
| Intangible Assets                      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |
| Investments                            | 231    | 298    | 313    | 938    | 888    | 858    | 858    | 858    | 858    | 858    |
| Cash and bank balances                 | 124    | 184    | 130    | 122    | 178    | 308    | 330    | 635    | 1,836  | 3,887  |
| Loans & advances and other assets      | 1,192  | 1,601  | 1,604  | 2,221  | 2,324  | 2,223  | 2,469  | 2,927  | 3,185  | 3,585  |
| Net working capital                    | 2,609  | 2,608  | 3,139  | 4,170  | 3,982  | 3,951  | 4,672  | 5,539  | 6,028  | 6,785  |
| Total assets                           | 9,449  | 10,584 | 11,985 | 14,546 | 15,109 | 15,177 | 17,413 | 19,778 | 22,337 | 25,744 |
| Capital Employed                       | 8,630  | 10,266 | 11,450 | 13,256 | 13,846 | 13,802 | 15,929 | 18,034 | 20,447 | 23,628 |
| Invested Capital (CE - cash - CWIP)    | 8,383  | 9,514  | 10,757 | 13,094 | 13,452 | 13,442 | 15,547 | 17,347 | 18,558 | 19,689 |
| Net debt                               | 3,270  | 3,882  | 4,109  | 4,375  | 3,905  | 2,427  | 2,706  | 1,900  | 199    | -2,352 |
| Cash Flows                             |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Cash flows from Operations (Pre-tax)   | 2,567  | 1,115  | 2,119  | 2,060  | 2,748  | 2,976  | 2,489  | 3,336  | 4,287  | 4,979  |
| Cash flows from Operations (post-tax)  | 2,330  | 883    | 1,768  | 1,729  | 2,353  | 3,043  | 2,125  | 2,829  | 3,724  | 4,274  |
| Сарех                                  | 1,750  | 1,156  | 1,590  | 1,078  | 1,304  | 1,442  | 2,250  | 1,870  | 1,870  | 1,570  |
| Free cashflows                         | 580    | -273   | 177    | 651    | 1,049  | 1,602  | -125   | 959    | 1,854  | 2,704  |
| Free cashflows (post interest costs)   | 298    | -560   | -122   | 295    | 726    | 1,354  | -299   | 792    | 1,719  | 2,601  |
| Cash flows from Investing              | -988   | -1,174 | -1,538 | -1,481 | -1,346 | -959   | -2,250 | -1,870 | -1,870 | -1,570 |
| Cash flows from Financing              | -1,383 | 370    | 316    | -255   | -964   | -1,941 | 147    | -653   | -653   | -653   |
| Total cash & liquid investments        | 124    | 184    | 130    | 122    | 178    | 308    | 330    | 635    | 1,836  | 3,887  |
|  |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |

Source: Company data, Spark Capital Research



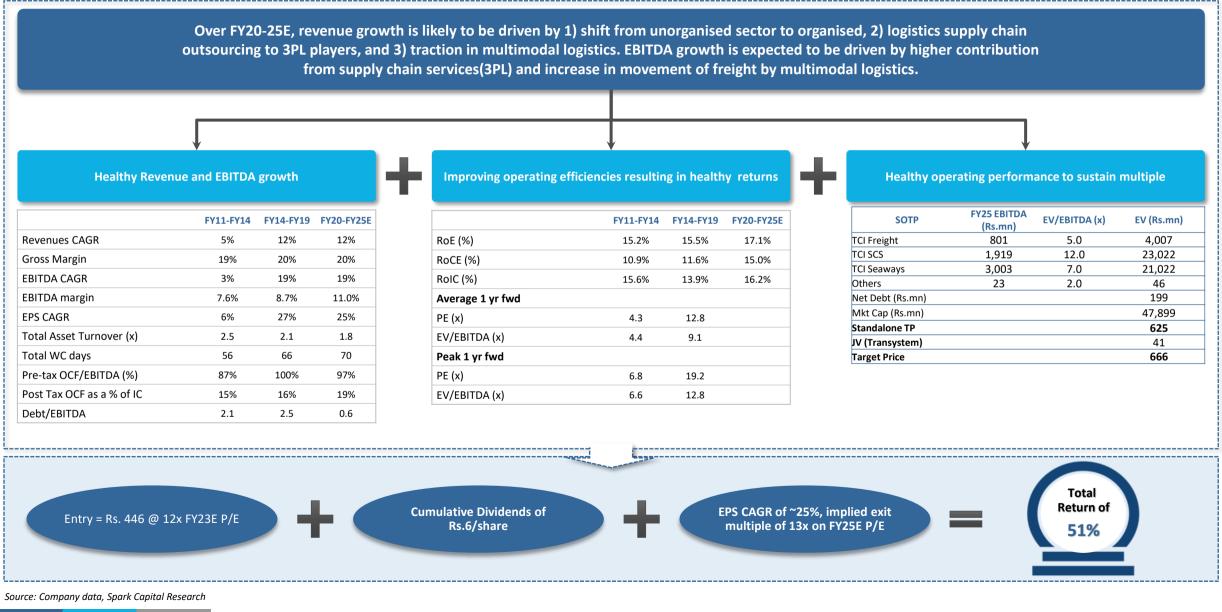
# **Financial Summary**

|                                 | FY16   | FY17   | FY18   | FY19   | FY20   | FY21   | FY22e  | FY23e  | FY24e  | FY25e  |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Key variables (sector-specific) |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Freight Revenues (Rs. Mn)       | 8,400  | 9,223  | 10,311 | 12,096 | 12,478 | 11,508 | 13,789 | 14,892 | 15,935 | 17,050 |
| Supply Chain Revenues (Rs. Mn)  | 6,249  | 7,374  | 9,126  | 10,189 | 9,250  | 9,376  | 11,815 | 14,414 | 15,856 | 17,441 |
| Seaways Revenues (Rs. Mn)       | 1,407  | 1,639  | 2,564  | 3,593  | 3,677  | 3,953  | 4,688  | 6,563  | 7,219  | 9,385  |
| Growth ratios                   |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Revenue                         | 2.8%   | 12.9%  | 20.7%  | 17.5%  | -1.8%  | -2.4%  | 22.5%  | 18.6%  | 8.8%   | 12.6%  |
| EBITDA                          | 7.0%   | 17.7%  | 32.3%  | 17.2%  | -4.4%  | 6.2%   | 27.5%  | 32.8%  | 9.5%   | 19.4%  |
| Adj PAT                         | 12.0%  | 18.0%  | 47.6%  | 23.0%  | -1.0%  | 6.6%   | 46.9%  | 39.3%  | 11.1%  | 25.1%  |
| Margin ratios                   |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Gross                           | 21.0%  | 19.4%  | 19.7%  | 19.1%  | 19.4%  | 19.5%  | 19.5%  | 20.0%  | 20.2%  | 20.4%  |
| EBITDA                          | 8.1%   | 8.7%   | 9.6%   | 9.5%   | 9.3%   | 10.1%  | 10.5%  | 11.8%  | 11.9%  | 12.6%  |
| Adj PAT                         | 3.8%   | 3.9%   | 4.8%   | 5.0%   | 5.0%   | 5.9%   | 6.6%   | 7.7%   | 7.9%   | 8.8%   |
| Performance ratios              |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Pre-tax OCF/EBITDA              | 140.8% | 70.8%  | 101.7% | 84.3%  | 117.7% | 120.1% | 78.8%  | 79.5%  | 93.3%  | 90.8%  |
| OCF/IC (%)                      | 27.8%  | 9.3%   | 16.4%  | 13.2%  | 17.5%  | 22.6%  | 13.7%  | 16.3%  | 20.1%  | 21.7%  |
| RoE (%)                         | 16.2%  | 13.1%  | 16.5%  | 16.9%  | 14.1%  | 14.3%  | 16.9%  | 19.8%  | 18.4%  | 19.2%  |
| RoCE (%)                        | 12.1%  | 9.8%   | 12.0%  | 12.6%  | 12.1%  | 12.2%  | 14.3%  | 17.1%  | 16.5%  | 17.8%  |
| RoCE (Pre-tax)                  | 16.0%  | 12.4%  | 15.2%  | 15.9%  | 13.6%  | 14.1%  | 16.9%  | 20.2%  | 19.6%  | 21.1%  |
| RoIC (Pre-tax)                  | 15.0%  | 11.1%  | 13.9%  | 14.2%  | 11.7%  | 11.9%  | 14.9%  | 18.6%  | 18.6%  | 21.5%  |
| Fixed asset turnover (x)        | 2.9    | 2.2    | 2.3    | 2.3    | 2.0    | 1.8    | 1.9    | 2.0    | 2.0    | 2.1    |
| Total asset turnover (x)        | 2.3    | 1.8    | 1.9    | 1.9    | 1.7    | 1.6    | 1.8    | 1.9    | 1.8    | 1.8    |
| Financial stability ratios      |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Net Debt to Equity (x)          | 0.7    | 0.7    | 0.6    | 0.5    | 0.4    | 0.2    | 0.2    | 0.1    | 0.0    | (0.1)  |
| Net Debt to EBITDA (x)          | 1.8    | 2.5    | 2.0    | 1.8    | 1.7    | 1.0    | 0.9    | 0.5    | 0.0    | (0.4)  |
| Interest cover (x)              | 8.3    | 3.1    | 5.9    | 4.9    | 7.3    | 12.3   | 12.2   | 16.9   | 27.6   | 41.7   |
| Cash conversion days            | 42     | 53     | 53     | 59     | 58     | 59     | 57     | 57     | 57     | 57     |
| Working capital days            | 48     | 79     | 71     | 73     | 73     | 71     | 69     | 69     | 69     | 69     |
| Valuation metrics               |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Fully Diluted Shares (mn)       | 76.1   | 76.1   | 76.6   | 76.6   | 76.6   | 76.6   | 76.6   | 76.6   | 76.6   | 76.6   |
| Market cap (Rs.mn)              |        |        | 34,154 |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| P/E (x)                         | 39.9   | 48.3   | 32.9   | 26.8   | 27.2   | 23.5   | 17.2   | 12.4   | 11.1   | 8.9    |
| P/OCF(x)                        | 14.7   | 38.7   | 19.3   | 19.8   | 14.5   | 11.2   | 16.1   | 12.1   | 9.2    | 8.0    |
| EV (Rs.mn) (ex-CWIP)            | 37,300 | 37,467 | 37,699 | 38,488 | 37,842 | 36,581 | 36,859 | 36,053 | 34,353 | 31,802 |
| EV/ EBITDA (x)                  | 20.5   | 23.8   | 18.1   | 15.8   | 16.2   | 14.8   | 11.7   | 8.6    | 7.5    | 5.8    |
| EV/ OCF(x)                      | 16.0   | 42.4   | 21.3   | 22.3   | 16.1   | 12.0   | 17.3   | 12.7   | 9.2    | 7.4    |
| FCF Yield                       |        |        | 0.5%   | 1.9%   | 3.1%   | 4.7%   | -0.4%  | 2.8%   | 5.4%   | 7.9%   |
| Price to BV (x)                 | 6.9    | 5.9    | 5.0    | 4.1    | 3.6    | 3.2    | 2.7    | 2.2    | 1.9    | 1.6    |
| Dividend pay-out (%)            | 13.4%  | 12.0%  | 11.8%  | 10.8%  | 12.2%  | 6.4%   | 7.7%   | 5.6%   | 5.0%   | 4.0%   |
| Dividend yield (%)              |        |        | 0.4%   | 0.4%   | 0.4%   | 0.3%   | 0.4%   | 0.4%   | 0.4%   | 0.4%   |

Source: Company data, Spark Capital Research



## **Crystal Ball Gazing**





### **Spark Recommendation History**



Stock expected to provide positive returns of >15% over a 1-year horizon

Stock expected to provide returns of <5% – -10% over a 1-year horizon

Stock expected to fall >10% over a 1-year horizon

Stock expected to provide positive returns of >5% – <15% over a 1-year horizon

| Buy |
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