

Result Update

July 16, 2018

Infosys (INFTEC)

₹ 1355

In-line performance...

- US\$ revenues grew 0.9% QoQ to \$2,831 million, largely in line with our 1.7% growth and \$2,853 million estimate. Constant currency (CC) revenues grew 2.3% QoQ vs. our estimate of 2.5% QoQ. Rupee revenues grew 5.8% QoQ to ₹ 19,128 crore, largely in line with our ₹ 19,118.9 crore estimates
- At 23.7%, EBIT margins declined 100 bps QoQ in line with our 23.8% and 90 bps decline estimate
- Reported PAT of ₹ 3,612 was below our ₹ 3,728 crore estimate mainly due to write off of ₹ 270 crore for Panaya acquisition.
- The board has recommended a bonus issue of equity shares in the ratio of 1:1

Retail leads quarter growth, BFSI expected to recover in Q2FY19...

Infosys' constant currency revenues grew 2.3% QoQ mainly driven by business segments of retail, energy & utilities and manufacturing that grew 6.4%, 5.3% and 2.5% QoQ in CC terms, respectively, in the quarter. BFSI failed to witness any recovery at the start of the new fiscal as it degrew 0.2% QoQ in the quarter. The management alluded that weakness in BFSI pertains to softness in certain top clients. However, it expects the vertical to get back on recovery path in Q2FY19E. On the positive side, large deal TCV witnessed strong growth of 70% YoY and 23.3% QoQ to US\$1,116 million. Of this, 40% was from financial services. For FY19E, Infosys has retained its revenue guidance in the range of 6-8% in constant currency terms. It translates into US\$ revenue growth of 7-9% based on March 31, 2018 rates. Overall, we expect Infosys' \$ revenues to grow at 7.5% CAGR to US\$12.6 billion in FY18-20E.

Margins in line with expectations, guidance band retained for FY19E...

Infosys' EBIT margins declined 100 bps QoQ to 23.7% owing to wage hike (-100 bps), investments &SG&A (-140 bps) countered by currency benefit (+100 bps) and utilisation & onsite-offshore mix (+40 bps). Wage hike has been given to 85% of employees with the impact in this quarter while for the rest, it would be taken in Q2FY19E. On the margin outlook front, the company has retained EBIT margin band of 22-24% for FY19E. The management indicated that the unchanged margin guidance for FY19E despite rupee movement is on the back of increased focus on digital led growth, additional investments in the US, revitalising sales team and repurposing of talent. We fine tune our estimates and factor in EBIT margin of 24% each in FY19E, FY20E.

Digital pace up to 28.4% of revenues, growth of 27% YoY...

From this quarter, the management has reorganised its revenues by offerings with a split into digital and core, which are further classified into services and products & platforms component. Digital contribution to overall revenues were at 28.4% (vs. 23.9% in Q1FY18) to \$803 million and grew 6.6% QoQ and 26.9% YoY.

High attrition rates & leadership challenges to watch out, maintain HOLD...

Infosys reported Q1FY19 earnings with the operating performance largely in line with our expectations. Better momentum in deal win and digital momentum are also encouraging. However, higher attrition and exit at the senior level needs to be closely monitored for consistency in revenue growth. Hence, we maintain our **HOLD** rating on the stock with revised target price of ₹ 1410 (18x FY20E EPS).

Rating matrix		
Rating	:	Hold
Target	:	₹ 1410
Target Period	:	12 months
Potential Upside	:	4%

What's Changed?	
Target	Changed from ₹ 1180 to ₹ 1410
EPS FY19E	Changed from ₹ 67.5 to ₹ 71.2
EPS FY20E	Changed from ₹ 73.7 to ₹ 78.4
Rating	Unchanged

Quarterly Performance									
	Q1FY19	Q1FY18	YoY (%)	Q4FY18	QoQ (%)				
Revenue	19,128	17,078	12.0	18,083	5.8				
EBIT	4,537	4,111	10.4	4,472	1.5				
EBIT (%)	23.7	24.1	10.4	24.7	1.5				
PAT	3,612	3,483	3.7	3,690	(2.1)				

Key Financials				
₹ Crore	FY17	FY18	FY19E	FY20E
Net Sales	68,485	70,522	79,476	86,625
EBITDA	18,605	19,010	21,061	22,956
Net Profit	14,353	14,597	15,481	17,058
EPS (₹)	62.8	64.7	71.2	78.4

Valuation summary								
	FY17	FY18	FY19E	FY20E				
P/E	21.6	21.0	19.0	17.3				
Target P/E	22.5	21.8	19.8	18.0				
EV / EBITDA	15.1	14.9	13.3	12.0				
P/BV	4.5	4.7	4.2	3.8				
RoNW (%)	20.8	22.5	21.8	22.1				
RoCE (%)	28.8	30.9	30.4	30.9				

Stock data	
Particular	Amount
Market Capitalization (₹ Crore)	309,688.5
Total Debt	-
Cash and Investments (FY17)	29,007.0
EV (₹ Crore)	280,681.5
52 week H/L	1384 / 862
Equity capital	1,144.0
Face value	₹5

Price performance (%)								
	1M	3M	6M	12M				
TCS	5.9	23.0	42.3	58.3				
Infosys	3.1	13.0	26.9	35.2				
Wipro	0.9	(5.4)	(12.8)	2.8				
HCL Tech	7.2	(2.0)	9.9	15.9				

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Variance analysis							
	Q1FY19	Q1FY19E	Q1FY18	YoY (%)	Q4FY18	QoQ (%)	Comments
Revenue	19,128	19,119	17,078	12.0	18,083	5.8	Constant currency (cc) revenues grew 2.3% QoQ vs our estimate of 2.5% QoQ
Employee expenses	11,810	11,902	10,450	13.0	11,096	6.4	
Gross Profit	7,318	7,217	6,628	10.4	6,987	4.7	
Gross margin (%)	38.3	37.8	38.8	-55 bps	38.6	-38 bps	
Selling & marketing costs	1,005	994	888	13.2	947	6.1	
G&A expenses	1,298	1,204	1,179	10.1	1,110	16.9	
EBITDA	5,015	5,019	4,561	10.0	4,930	1.7	
EBITDA Margin (%)	26.2	26.3	26.7	-49 bps	27.3	-104 bps	
Depreciation	478	478	450	6.3	458	4.4	
EBIT	4,537	4,541	4,111	10.4	4,472	1.5	
EBIT Margin (%)	23.7	23.8	24.1	-35 bps	24.7	-101 bps	EBIT margin came in-line with our expectation
Other income	726	566	814	-10.8	534	36.0	
PBT	5,263	5,107	4,925	6.9	5,006	5.1	
Tax paid	1,381	1,379	1,371	0.7	1,316	4.9	
							Reported PAT was below our estimate mainly on account of reduction in the favalue of disposal group held for sale amounting to ₹ 270 crore in respect of
PAT	3,612	3,728	3,483	3.7	3,690	-2.1	Panaya
Key Metrics							
Closing employees	209,905	203,000	198,553	5.7	204,107	2.8	
LTM attrition-standalone (%)	20.6	16.5	16.9	370 bps	16.6	400 bps	
Utilisation - IT Services (%)	85.7	84.5	84.0	170 bps	84.7	100 bps	Utilisation increased 100 bps QoQ
Average \$/₹	67.6	67.0	64.5	4.8	64.5	4.8	

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Change in estimates						
		FY19E			FY20E	
(₹ Crore)	Old	New	% Change	Old	New	% Change Comments
Revenue	76,916	79,476	3.3	84,203	86,625	2.9
EBIT	18,075	19,074	5.5	19,956	20,790	4.2
EBIT Margin (%)	23.5	24.0	45 bps	23.7	24.0	25 bps We fine tune our margin estimates
PAT	14,681	15,481	5.5	16,039	17,058	6.4
EPS (₹)	67.5	71.2	5.4	73.7	78.4	6.4

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Assumptions						
		Current	Current	Earlier	Current	Earlier
	FY17	FY18	FY19E	FY19E	FY20E	FY20E
Closing employees	200,364	204,107	207,367	208,490	212,114	217,216
Utilisation - IT Services (%)	68.3	70.8	74.0	75.0	78.2	79.1
Average \$/₹	67.1	64.5	68.3	65.0	68.5	65.0

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research



Conference Call Highlights

- a. Revenue guidance- For FY19E, Infosys has retained its revenue guidance to be in the range of 6-8% in constant currency terms. It translates into US\$ revenue growth of 7-9% based on March 31, 2018 rates. The company has completed the acquisition of WongDoody company on May 30, 2018. The acquisition would consolidate in FY19E but would not materially impact revenues
- b. Margin Outlook: In terms of operating profit (EBIT) guidance also, the company has retained the EBIT margin range at 22-24%. The management indicated that unchanged margin guidance for FY19E despite rupee movement is on the back of increased focus on digital led growth, additional investments in US, revitalising sales team and repurposing of talent
- c. Bonus issue- The board has approved and recommended a bonus issue of one equity share for every equity share held i.e. in the ratio of 1:1. The management said the issue of bonus shares was done on account of 25th year of the company's public listing in India and to further increase the liquidity of its shares
- d. Sale of subsidiaries of Skava, Panaya- In Q4FY18, the company announced the sale of its subsidiaries Skava and Panaya based on the strategic review of its portfolio of businesses. During this quarter, on remeasurement, including consideration of progress in negotiations on offers from prospective buyers for Panaya, the company has recorded a reduction in the fair value of disposal group held for sale amounting to \$39 million (₹ 270 crore) with respect to Panaya. This transaction has impacted profitability
- e. TCV: Infosys signed eight new deals with seven in the US and one in Europe. Among verticals, financial services constituted two, energy & utilities- three and retail-three. Large deal TCV witnessed strong growth of 70% YoY and 23.3% QoQ to US\$1,116 million. Out of the total TCV, 40% was from financial services
- f. Employee update: Employee count was at 209,905 with net addition of 5,798 employees in the quarter. Attrition (consolidated) and attrition (standalone) both witnessed a sharp increase of 350 bps and 400 bps QoQ to 23% and 20.6%, respectively, wherein they were multi-quarter highs. The management said the spike in attrition was mainly on account of seasonality and expects it to come down in coming quarters. As per media sources, leadership attrition with recent exits of head of manufacturing and lifesciences &healthcare division and many more is a concern. On the other hand, utilisation (ex-trainees) increased 100 bps sequentially to 85.7%, which was one of the factors to partly offset the margin headwinds



India continue to decline sequentially. Growth was led by North America and RoW

Management expects recovery in BFSI from Q2

Attrition was at a multi-quarter high while utilisation increased 100 bps QoQ to 85.7% acting as a lever for margin

Company Analysis

Exhibit 2: Geography wise split up						
	Q4FY17	Q1FY18	Q2FY18	Q3FY18	Q4FY18	Q1FY19
Revenue by geography (%)						
North America	62.3	61.1	60.6	60.4	59.4	60.0
Europe	22.1	22.4	23.2	24.4	24.8	24.3
India	3.2	3.6	3.3	3.0	2.8	2.6
ROW	12.4	12.9	12.9	12.2	13.0	13.1
Growth QoQ (%)						
North America	1.2	1.2	2.1	0.7	0.1	1.9
Europe	0.3	4.6	6.6	6.2	3.5	-1.1
India	-5.2	16.1	-5.7	-8.2	-5.0	-6.3
ROW	0.7	7.4	2.9	-4.5	8.5	1.7

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 3: Vertical-wise split up							
	%contribution to revenues Q1FY19	CC Growth QoQ (%)	US\$ growth QoQ (%)				
Revenue by verticals (%)							
Financial Services	31.8	-0.2	-1.5				
Retail	16.6	6.4	5.0				
Communication	12.7	1.3	-0.6				
Energy, Utilities, Resources & Services	12.4	5.3	4.3				
Manufacturing	9.6	2.5	1.0				
Hi Tech	7.4	1.7	1.6				
Life Sciences	6.6	0.5	-0.9				
Others	2.9	4.0	1.3				

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 4: Client & human resource matrix												
	Q4FY17	Q1FY18	Q2FY18	Q3FY18	Q4FY18	Q1FY19						
Client metrics												
5 Million \$ clients	598	606	620	630	634	627						
25 Million \$ clients	189	190	186	198	198	200						
50 Million \$ clients	56	56	55	56	57	56						
100 Million \$ clients	19	18	19	20	20	24						
Headcount, Utilization & Attrition												
Total Employees	200364	198553	198440	201691	204107	209905						
Utilization (Excluding trainees)	82.0	84.0	84.7	84.9	84.7	85.7						

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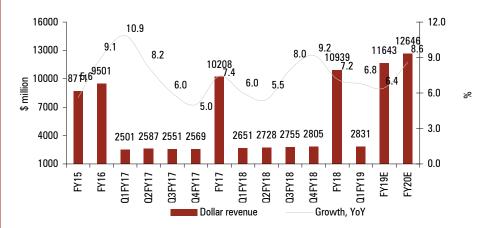
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LTM Attrition (Standalone)



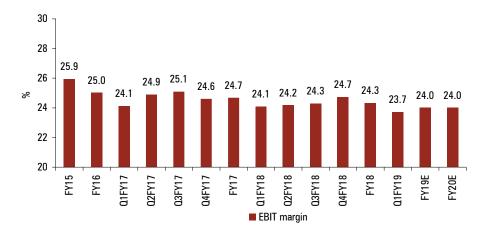
Financial story in charts

Exhibit 5: Dollar revenues may grow at 7.5% CAGR in FY18-20E



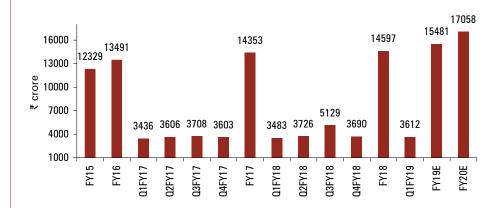
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Exhibit 6: Change in margin estimates for FY19E, FY20E



Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 7: PAT trend



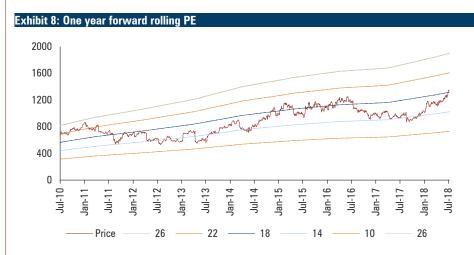
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Outlook and valuation

Infosys reported Q1FY19 earnings with operating performance largely inline with our expectations. Giving the outlook for FY19E, the company has retained its revenue guidance in the range of 6-8% in constant currency terms and EBIT margin guidance range of 22-24%. The highlight for Q1FY19 was a large deal win and improvement in digital revenues. Large deal TCV saw strong growth of 70% YoY and 23.3% QoQ to \$US1,116 million. Digital (28.4% of revenues) grew 6.6% QoQ, 26.7% YoY.

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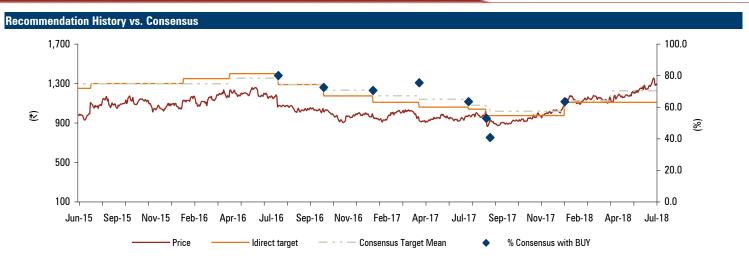


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Exhibit 9: V	aluation							
	Sales	Growth	EPS	Growth	PE	EV/EBITDA	RoNW	RoCE
	(₹ cr)	(%)	(₹)	(%)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)
FY16	62,441	17.1	59.0	9.4	23.0	16.1	21.8	30.2
FY17	68,485	9.7	62.8	6.4	21.6	15.1	20.8	28.8
FY18	70,522	3.0	64.7	3.0	21.0	14.9	22.5	30.9
FY19E	79,476	12.7	71.2	10.1	19.0	13.3	21.8	30.4
FY20E	86,625	9.0	78.4	10.2	17.3	12.0	22.1	30.9

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research





Source: Bloomberg, Company, ICICI Direct Research

Key events	
Date	Event
Jul-17	Infosys executive vice-president Ritika Suri resigns from the company. Ms Suri was in charge of getting large deals and merger & acquisitions and was one of the people CEO Vishal Sikka brought with him from previous organisation SAP
Jul-17	Infosys products and platforms unit EdgeVerve top executive Anirban Dey resigns from the company. The EdgeVerve business, which includes its core banking platform Finacle accounted for 5.4% of Infosys's revenue for the quarter ended June 2017
Aug-17	The Infosys board approves the proposal for buyback of 11.30 crore shares (\sim 4.9% of its paid-up capital) at ₹ 1,150 per share aggregating to ₹ 13,000 crore, through the tender offer route
Sep-17	Infosys would hire 6,000 engineers annually over the next year or two. In FY17, the company saw a net addition of 6,320 and expects to maintain similar kind of additions over the next year or two. Infosys starts ramping up its hiring process in the US and European markets to tap increasing opportunities from these geographies and mitigate the impact of visa related issues
Sep-17	Infosys Senior Vice-President and head of design and research Sanjay Rajagopalan resigns from his post. Rajagopalan was among the executives whom Sikka had brought in from SAP and joined Infosys in 2014
Oct-17	Infosys selected by KONE, a leading player in the global elevator and escalator industry. Infosys would support its IT transformation and also establish its first design and innovation centre in Helsinki, consolidate its presence in the market as well as strengthen its position in the Nordics region. No financial details of the deal were disclosed.
Nov-17	Infosys and the leading global HR Solutions provider 'Adecco Group', are in together to transform the staffing industry by bringing together the power of data, domain, technology and speed to create a brand new business in the world of staffing.
Jan-18	Infosys has been selected by Proximus, the largest telecommunications company in Belgium, to implement Excite — a business transformation program. Infosys has been entrusted with the joint overall responsibility and ownership of the Greenfield Excite program, aimed at simplifying and remodeling the company's portfolio of products for the professional services market and digitizing business transactions.

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

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Rank	Name	Latest Filing Date	% 0/S	Position (m)	Change (m)
1	Life Insurance Corporation of India	31-Mar-18	6.9%	149.5	-11.4
2	HDFC Asset Management Co., Ltd.	31-Mar-18	2.8%	60.7	-2.5
3	The Vanguard Group, Inc.	31-Mar-18	2.5%	53.9	-1.1
4	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, N.A.	30-Jun-18	2.4%	51.3	-2.9
5	ICICI Prudential Asset Management Co. Ltd.	31-Mar-18	1.9%	40.3	2.7
6	SBI Funds Management Pvt. Ltd.	31-Mar-18	1.4%	30.7	1.1
7	Murty (Rohan)	31-Mar-18	1.4%	30.4	0.0
8	ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Ltd.	31-Mar-18	1.3%	28.2	-2.4
9	GIC Private Limited	31-Mar-18	1.3%	27.6	4.0
10	Invest AD	31-Mar-18	1.2%	26.1	2.3
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Shareholding	Pattern		
(in %)	Dec-17	Mar-18	Jun-18
Promoter	12.90	12.90	12.90
Public	86.61	86.61	86.61
Others	0.49	0.49	0.49
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00

Source: Reuters, ICICI Direct Research

Recent Activity					
Buys			Sells		
Investor name	Value	Shares	Investor name	Value	Shares
Manchanda (Gaurav)	154.2m	8.6m	Gopalakrishnan (Sudha)	-828.3m	-47.7m
Manchanda (Milan Shibulal)	138.8m	7.7m	Shibulal (Shruti)	-221.6m	-12.3m
Norges Bank Investment Management (NBIM)	102.1m	6.3m	Life Insurance Corporation of India	-198.4m	-11.4m
GIC Private Limited	70.1m	4.0m	Shibulal (S D)	-142.9m	-7.9m
Shibulai (Bhairavi Madhusudhan)	71.5m	4.0m	BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	-80.0m	-4.4m

Source: Reuters, ICICI Direct Research



ICICI Direct coverage universe (IT)

	CMP			М Сар		EPS (₹)			P/E (x)		EV/	EBITDA	(x)	l	RoCE (%	5)		RoE(%)	
Sector / Company	(₹)	TP(₹)	Rating	(₹ Cr)	FY18P	FY19E	FY20E I	FY18P	FY19E	FY20E	FY18P	FY19E	FY20E I	FY18P	FY19E	FY20E	FY18P	FY19E	FY20E
Cyient (INFENT)	700	760	Hold	7,881	36.0	39.3	47.6	19.4	17.8	14.7	12.8	9.8	9.0	21.4	20.2	21.5	17.3	17.0	18.1
Eclerx (ECLSER)	1,293	1,180	Hold	5,330	72.9	72.2	84.4	17.7	17.9	15.3	12.2	11.9	9.8	23.2	22.1	23.9	19.3	17.0	18.4
Firstsource (FIRSOU)	70	87	Buy	4,911	4.8	5.1	6.2	14.7	13.7	11.3	11.6	10.0	8.2	12.7	14.7	16.0	13.9	13.6	15.1
HCL Tech (HCLTEC)	960	1,000	Hold	135,523	62.6	64.9	71.5	15.3	14.8	13.4	11.2	9.5	8.2	27.3	26.7	26.4	23.8	21.7	21.2
Infosys (INFTEC)	1,292	1,180	Hold	295,290	71.0	67.5	73.7	18.2	19.1	17.5	14.2	13.3	11.9	30.9	29.2	29.5	24.7	20.9	21.1
KPIT Tech (KPISYS)	274	275	Hold	5,452	12.9	16.0	18.3	21.3	17.1	15.0	13.9	11.0	9.4	15.9	18.3	18.9	14.2	15.6	15.4
Mindtree (MINCON)	992	840	Hold	16,658	34.3	39.9	46.6	28.9	24.9	21.3	21.5	15.7	13.0	24.9	26.3	26.9	20.8	20.6	20.7
NIIT Technologies (NIITEC)	1,080	1,075	Hold	3,870	45.6	52.9	63.2	23.7	20.4	17.1	5.9	4.6	3.5	18.4	19.0	19.6	15.1	15.4	16.1
Persistent (PSYS)	834	825	Buy	6,671	40.5	43.7	50.9	20.6	19.1	16.4	12.8	11.1	9.1	19.9	19.1	19.9	15.2	14.7	15.3
TCS (TCS)	1,930	2,060	Hold	368,630	67.4	80.6	89.4	14.3	23.9	21.5	10.0	8.2	7.0	37.6	43.9	39.8	29.6	34.2	30.9
Tech Mahindra (TECMAH)	645	735	Hold	63,384	42.7	42.2	49.0	15.1	15.3	13.2	12.0	9.5	7.6	21.9	20.0	20.1	20.0	17.3	17.0
Wipro (WIPRO)	262	315	Buy	129,349	16.9	17.5	20.9	15.5	15.0	12.5	10.8	10.3	8.4	16.9	15.0	15.9	16.6	14.3	15.0

^{*}Table is not updated due to technical reasons; Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research



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