# Tata Steel (TATSTE)

CMP: ₹ 525 Target: ₹ 625 (19 %)

Target Period: 12 months

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Tata Steel's Q2FY21 consolidated performance was better than our estimates on all fronts. For Q2FY21, sales volume for Indian operations were at 5.05 MT (up 72% QoQ, 22% YoY) while sales volume from European operations were at 2.27 MT (down 1% YoY, up 15% QoQ). Consolidated topline came in at ₹ 37154 crore (up 7% YoY, 53% QoQ), higher than our estimate of ₹ 34768 crore. Consolidated EBITDA was at ₹ 6111 crore while adjusted EBITDA was at ₹ 5425 crore, (our estimate: ₹ 4495 crore). Standalone operations reported EBITDA/tonne of ₹ 12861/tonne (our estimate: ₹ 12000/tonne) while European operations reported negative EBITDA/tonne of US\$27/tonne (our estimate of negative EBITDA/tonne of US\$35/tonne). PAT from continuing operations was at ₹ 1635 crore.

## Discussion starts for potential sale of Netherland plant...

The company has initiated the process to separate Tata Steel Netherlands, Tata Steel UK and will pursue separate strategic paths for the Netherlands, UK business in future. Tata Steel has entered into negotiation with SSAB, the Swedish company, to sell its Netherland facility including limuiden steelworks (time frame of six to nine months to complete, if the potential transaction happens). The company is committed to deploying proceeds of any strategic restructuring towards additional deleveraging of the balances sheet. Tata Steel will continue to own and operate the UK business. The company has continued its discussion with the UK Government on potential measures to safeguard the long-term future of Tata Steel UK and is also reviewing all options to make the business self-sustaining without need for any funding support from Tata Steel India in future.

## Healthy outlook for H2FY21....

For the Indian operation, on the back of a series of price hikes, coupled with improvement in product-mix, the blended realisation for Q3FY21 is likely to be sequentially higher by ₹ 4000-5000/tonne QoQ (as compared to Q2FY21). Furthermore, coking coal prices for Indian operations are expected to be lower by US\$5-10/tonne QoQ. European operations EBITDA/tonne is also likely to improve in H2FY21 on the back of increase in gross spreads. For European operations, average gross spreads in Q2FY21 were at €170/tonne, which is expected to increase to  $\sim$ €200/tonne in Q3FY21 (spot gross spreads at Europe is  $\sim$ €225/tonne).

## Valuation & Outlook

On the back of increase in realisations, we expect a healthy H2FY21 for the company. We model consolidated EBITDA margin of 12.9% for FY21E and 15.6% for FY22E (H1FY21 consolidated EBITDA margin was 10.8%). The debt repayment drive also augurs well. We value the stock on SoTP basis and arrive at a target price of ₹ 625. We upgrade the stock from HOLD to **BUY** recommendation.



Particulars	
Particular	Amount
Market Capitalization (₹ Crore)	60,418
Total Debt (FY20) (₹ Crore)	113,289
Cash & Cash Eq. (FY20) (₹ Crore)	8,055
EV (₹ Crore)	165,652
52 week H/L (₹)	530 / 251
Equity capital	₹ 1145 Cr.
Face value	₹ 10

### **Key Highlights**

- On the balance-sheet front majority of FCF earned by the company in H1FY21 was primarily utilised to reduce debt.
   During H1FY21, the company generated FCF of ₹ 8510 crore (₹ 7832 crore in Q2FY21). Net debt reduction in H1FY21 was ₹ 8285 crore (₹ 8197 crore in Q2FY21)
- Upgrade the stock to BUY with revised target price of ₹ 625

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Key Financial Summary					
(₹ Crore)	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21E	FY22E
Net Sales	131,700	157,669	139,817	143,122	168,151
EBITDA	21,891	29,383	17,463	18,436	26,757
Adj PAT	8,164	8,995	4,737	2,106	6,651
EPS (₹)	71.3	78.6	41.4	18.4	58.1
EV/EBITDA (x)	6.9	5.1	9.6	8.7	5.6
RoCE (%)	12.3	13.8	4.8	5.0	8.7
RoE (%)	17.7	13.0	6.4	2.8	7.7

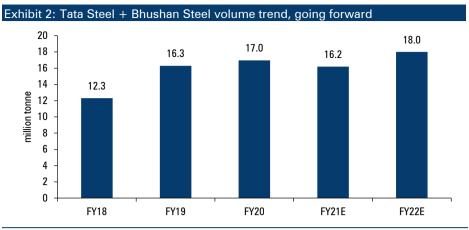
	Q2FY21	Q2FY21E	Q2FY20	YoY (%)	Q1FY21	QoQ (%)	Comments
Revenue	37154	34678	34579	7%	24,289	53%	Consolidated topline was higher than our estimate
Other Income	222	200	184	21%	193	15%	
Employee Expense	4248	4250	4605	-8%	4,546	-7%	
Raw Material Expense	15324	14483	14848	3%	10,401	47%	
Other operating Expenses	11471	11450	11307	1%	8,837	30%	
EBITDA	6111	4495	3820	60%	506	1109%	EBITDA was higher than our estimates
EBITDA Margin (%)	16.4	13.0	11.0	540 bps	2.1	1437 bps	
Depreciation	2261	2250	2127	6%	2,111	7%	
Interest	1940	1950	1871	4%	1,998	-3%	
Exceptional Item and Share of associates	117	0	-11	PL	73	59%	
PBT	2248	495	-7	PL	-3,338	LP	
Tax Outgo	613	370	-4050	LP	1,272	-52%	
PAT from continued operations	1635	125	4043	-60%	-4,609	LP	PAT came in higher than our estimates
Key Metrics							
TSI Steel Sales (MT) (Standalone operations)	3.6	3.6	3.0	20%	2.1	71%	Standalone sales came in line with our estimate
TSE Steel Sales (MT)	2.3	2.3	2.3	0%	2.0	14%	
Adjusted TSI EBITDA/tonne (₹/tonne)	12861	12000	11200	15%	5920	117%	EBITDA/tonne came in higher than ou estimates
TSE EBITDA/tonne (US\$/tonne)	-27.0	-35.0	10.0	PL	-57.0	-53%	

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research, Adjusted EBITDA came in at ₹1038 crore.

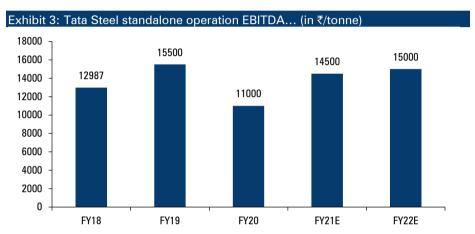
## Conference Call Highlights

- For the Indian operation, on the back of a series of price hikes coupled with improvement in product-mix, the blended realisation for Q3FY21 is likely to be sequentially higher by ₹4000-5000/tonne compared to Q2FY21
- For Q3FY21, coking coal prices for Indian operations are expected to be sequentially lower by US\$5-10/tonne compared to Q2FY21
- During H1FY21, the company generated FCF of ₹ 8510 crore (₹ 7832 crore in Q2FY21). The net debt reduction during H1FY21 was ₹ 8285 crore (₹ 8197 crore in Q2FY21)
- Tata Steel is also reorganising its India footprint and folding listed and unlisted subsidiaries into four clusters to drive scale, synergies and simplification and to create value for all stakeholders. The business clusters are long products, downstream, mining and utilities & infrastructure
- The boards of Tata Steel Long Products, Tata Metaliks and Indian Steel and Wire Products approved the merger of Tata Metaliks and Indian Steel and Wire Products into Tata Steel Long products. The proposed consolidation will create synergies and position the company towards future growth in the long products segment. This process is expected to be completed in the next six to nine months, subject to necessary regulatory approvals
- With respect to the European operations, during the quarter the company made provision of £58 million for purchase of carbon credits (gain of £78 million in Q1FY21)
- For the European operations average gross spreads during Q2FY21 were at €170/tonne, which is expected to increase to ~€200/tonne (spot gross spreads are ~US\$225/tonne)
- During Q2FY21, consolidated capex was at ~₹ 1500 crore while for H1FY21, capex was at ~₹ 3200 crore. The management is expected to take a call on KPO-Phase 2 capex at the end of Q3FY21
- On a consolidated basis, the company is committed to deleveraging its balance-sheet. The target is US\$1 billion annually

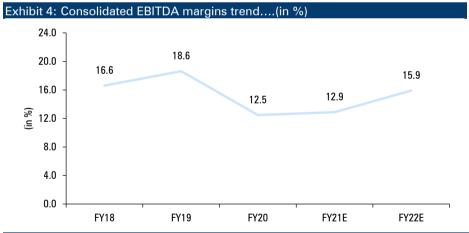
## Financial story in charts



Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research



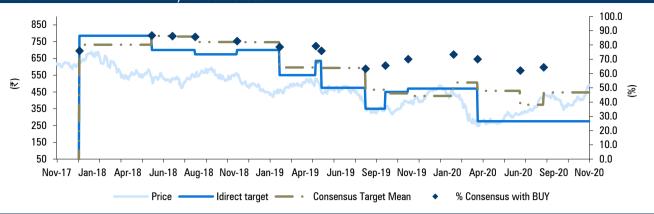
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Exhibit!	5: Valuation								
	Total Op. Income	Growth	EPS	Growth	PE	EV/EBIDTA	P/ BV	RoNW	RoCE
	(₹ Crore)	% YoY	(₹)	% YoY	(x)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)
FY18	131,700	17.3	71.3	69.1	7.4	6.9	1.3	17.7	12.3
FY19	157,669	19.7	78.6	10.2	6.7	5.1	0.9	13.0	13.8
FY20	139,817	(11.3)	41.4	(47.3)	12.7	9.6	0.8	6.4	4.8
FY21E	143,122	2.4	18.4	(55.5)	28.5	8.7	0.8	2.8	5.0
FY22E	168,151	17.5	58.1	215.8	9.0	5.6	0.7	7.7	8.7

### Exhibit 6: Recommendation History vs. Consensus



Source: Bloomberg, Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhib	oit 7: Top 10 Shareholders				
Rank	Name	Latest Filing	% O/S	Position (m)	Change (m)
1	TATA SONS LTD	30-06-2020	35.2	396.5	0.0
2	LIFE INSURANCE CORP	30-06-2020	11.0	123.5	0.0
3	HDFC ASSET MANAGEMEN	30-06-2020	5.2	58.4	0.0
4	ICICI PRUDENTIAL ASS	31-10-2020	1.9	20.9	-1.8
5	SBI FUNDS MANAGEMENT	31-10-2020	1.7	19.1	-0.7
6	UTI ASSET MANAGEMENT	30-09-2020	1.2	13.5	0.4
7	RELIANCE CAPITAL TRU	30-06-2020	1.2	13.0	-0.7
8	ICICI PRUDENTIAL LIF	30-06-2020	1.1	12.7	0.0
9	NORGES BANK	31-12-2019	1.0	11.6	0.0
10	VANGUARD GROUP	31-10-2020	0.9	10.1	0.1

Source: Bloomberg, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 8: Shareholding Pattern	า		
(in %)	Mar-20	Jun-20	Sep-20
Promoter	34.4	34.4	34.4
Others	65.6	65.6	65.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



## Financial summary

Exhibit 9:Profit and loss statement											
FY19	FY20	FY21E	FY22E								
157669	139817	143122	168151								
19	-11	-23	16								
128286	122354	124687	141395								
29383	17463	18436	26757								
34	-41	6	45								
7342	8441	8797	9735								
7660	7533	7708	8124								
1421	1843	996	1202								
15802	3332	2927	10099								
104	-3564	0	0								
6718	-2568	863	3487								
9187	2337	2064	6613								
-48	-75	-12	220								
-89	-1164	43	38								
9098	1172	2106	6651								
8995	4737	2106	6651								
10.2	-47.3	-55.5	215.8								
78.6	41.4	18.4	58.1								
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Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 10: Cash flow statement											
(Year-end March)	FY19	FY20	FY21E	FY22E							
Profit after Tax	9098	1172	2106	6651							
Add: Depreciation	7342	8441	8797	9735							
(Inc)/dec in Current Assets	-10455	-141	23021	-19521							
Inc/(dec) in CL and Prov.	10456	-7756	-24822	18774							
Others	1416	-2425	3000	3000							
CF from operating activitie	17856	-708	12102	18640							
(Inc)/dec in Investments	12161	-547	0	200							
(Inc)/dec in Fixed Assets	-37808	-10347	-5917	-9617							
Others	-7502	-867	43	38							
CF from investing activitie	-33150	-11761	-5874	-9379							
Issue/(Buy back) of Equity	0	0	0	0							
Inc/(dec) in loan funds	2471	22145	2500	-7000							
Dividend paid & dividend tax	-1340	-1340	-1145	-1145							
Inc/(dec) in Share Cap	15091	-4182	1777	4000							
Others	330	570	256	0							
CF from financing activitie	16552	17193	3389	-4145							
Net Cash flow	1259	4724	9616	5116							
Opening Cash	2073	3331	8055	17671							
Closing Cash	3331	8055	17671	22787							

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 11:Balance she	et			₹ crore
(Year-end March)	FY19	FY20	FY21E	FY22E
Liabilities				
Equity Share Capital	1145	1145	1145	1145
Hybrid Perpetual securitie	2275	2275	2275	2275
Reserve and Surplus	65505	70156	73093	82599
Total Shareholders fu	68925	73576	76513	86019
Total Debt	91145	113289	115789	108789
Deferred Tax Liability	12460	9261	9261	9261
Minority Interest & Others	10821	11816	14859	17897
Total Liabilities	183350	207943	216422	221967
Assets				
Gross Block	229689	248131	254548	264665
Less: Impairment	0	0	0	0
Less: Acc Depreciation	108559	117000	125796	135532
Net Block	121130	131131	128751	129133
CWIP	17957	18862	18362	17862
Investments	5738	6285	6285	6085
Inventory	31656	31069	15979	21335
Debtors	11811	7885	7231	8424
Loans and Advances	29343	35663	29385	40807
Other Current Assets	7810	6144	5144	6694
Cash	3331	8055	17671	22787
Total Current Assets	83952	88816	75411	100048
Current Liabilities	48983	40813	14990	35364
Provisions	1249	1664	2664	1064
Current Liabilities & Prov	50232	42476	17654	36428
Net Current Assets	33720	46340	57757	63620
others	4806	5325	5267	5267
<b>Application of Funds</b>	183350	207943	216422	221967

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 12: Key ratios				₹ crore
(Year-end March)	FY19	FY20	FY21E	FY22E
Per share data (₹)				
Adj EPS	78.6	41.4	18.4	58.1
Cash EPS	142.7	115.1	95.2	143.1
BV	602.0	642.6	668.3	751.3
Adj BV (adj for Goodwill)	567.1	607.2	633.4	716.4
DPS	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Cash Per Share	29.1	70.4	154.3	199.0
Operating Ratios (%)				
EBITDA Margin	18.6	12.5	12.9	15.9
PBT / Total Operating income	10.0	2.4	2.0	6.0
Adj PAT Margin	5.7	3.4	1.5	4.0
Inventory days	180	199	175	195
Debtor days	29	26	25	25
Creditor days	249	288	300	285
Return Ratios (%)				
Adj RoE	13.0	6.4	2.8	7.7
Adj RoCE	13.8	4.8	5.0	8.7
Adj RolC	14.1	5.0	5.5	9.9
Valuation Ratios (x)				
P/E	6.7	12.7	28.5	9.0
EV / EBITDA	5.1	9.6	8.7	5.6
EV / Net Sales	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.0
Market Cap / Sales	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4
Price to Book Value	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7
Price to Adj Book Value	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7
Solvency Ratios				
Debt/EBITDA	3.0	6.0	5.3	3.2
Debt / Equity	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.0
Current Ratio	1.7	2.1	4.3	2.7
Quick Ratio	1.0	1.4	3.4	2.2

Exhibit 13:	chibit 13: ICICI Direct coverage universe (Metals and Mining)																		
	CMP	TP	l	M Cap	EP	S (₹)		P	/E (x)	E	V/EBIT	DA (x)		RO	CE(%)		R	OE(%)	
	(₹)	(₹) ∣	Rating	(₹ Cr)	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY20	FY21E	FY22E
Coal India	128	130	Hold	79517	27.1	22.2	22.6	4.5	5.5	5.4	2.4	4.0	4.2	55.5	40.2	39.7	51.9	39.0	36.5
Hindalco	213	240	Buy	47861	18.2	25.3	34.4	11.3	8.1	6.0	5.8	6.0	5.0	7.8	7.7	9.2	6.9	9.0	10.9
Hind Zinc	223	230	Hold	94351	16.1	17.1	21.1	13.8	13.1	10.6	8.2	7.8	5.8	20.8	25.5	27.4	16.9	23.5	24.1
JSW Steel	347	330	Hold	83913	19.5	21.3	33.5	16.4	15.0	9.6	11.2	8.7	6.3	7.2	9.7	13.1	12.7	12.2	16.2
NMDC	97	100	Hold	29593	11.8	11.6	9.0	8.3	8.4	10.8	4.9	5.4	5.9	20.3	14.3	9.9	13.1	11.3	8.3
Ratnamani	1522	1475	Buy	7112	65.8	53.1	73.8	19.2	23.8	17.2	13.7	16.6	11.7	22.2	16.1	21.8	18.0	13.1	15.7
Graphite Ind.	179	200	Hold	3611	2.0	1.0	21.0	80.8	231.3	8.7	NA	NA	3.2	-2.6	-5.4	6.0	1.0	0.3	8.7
Tata Steel	520	625	Buy	60269	41.4	18.4	58.1	12.6	28.3	9.0	9.6	8.7	5.5	4.8	5.0	8.7	6.4	2.8	7.7
Vedanta	107	100	Hold	38436	10.7	17.9	19.9	9.1	5.5	4.9	3.5	3.2	2.6	10.8	13.6	14.9	7.3	11.5	12.1

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