

HPCL

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Bloomberg	HPCL IN
Equity Shares (m)	1,452
M.Cap.(INRb)/(USDb)	299.4 / 3.6
52-Week Range (INR)	355 / 200
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12M Avg Val (INR M)	1185

Financials & Valuations (INR b)

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Y/E March	FY22	FY23E	FY24E			
Sales	3,499.1	4,243.7	4,027.1			
EBITDA	102.4	-65.0	128.4			
Adj. PAT	72.9	-75.4	69.2			
Adj. EPS (INR)	47.9	-49.5	45.4			
EPS Gr. (%)	-31.6	PL	LP			
BV/Sh.(INR)	271.6	222.2	253.9			
Ratios						
Net D:E	1.1	1.9	1.6			
RoE (%)	18.4	-20.0	19.1			
RoCE (%)	8.3	-7.1	7.1			
Payout (%)	27.9	0.0	30.1			
Valuations						
P/E (x)	4.4	-4.3	4.6			
P/BV (x)	0.8	0.9	0.8			
EV/EBITDA (x)	7.5	-14.9	7.4			
Div. Yield (%)	6.3	0.0	6.5			
FCF Yield (%)	11.8	-53.6	21.5			

Shareholding pattern (%)

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As On	Sep-22	Jun-22	Sep-21
Promoter	54.9	54.9	54.9
DII	18.0	16.4	15.9
FII	16.7	18.2	18.3
Others	10.4	10.5	10.9

FII Includes depository receipts

CMP: INR211 TP: INR216 (+2%) Neutral

Result above estimates; debt continues to remain a challenge

- HPCL reported a beat on both EBITDA and PAT in 2QFY23 mainly due to the one-time grant of ~INR56b given on account of LPG under-recoveries. GRM came in at USD8.4/bbl (est. GRM loss of USD3/bbl, 246% YoY, -50% QoQ). Refinery throughput was at 4.5mmt (est. 4.8mmt; +77% YoY, -7% QoQ). Singapore GRM of ~USD7.1/bbl in 2QFY23 has now fallen to USD2.5/bbl in 3QYTD, which would curtail refining margins further in the coming quarter.
- In the marketing segment, sales volumes were at 10.4mmt (est. 10.1mmt; +14% YoY, -3% QoQ). OMCs are estimated to be generating gross marketing margin of INR10.1 per liter on petrol and loss of INR5.6 per liter on diesel in 3QFY23YTD. HPCL has the highest leverage to marketing and would suffer the most losses in the marketing segment.
- The government recently approved a one-time grant of INR56.2b to compensate for the under-recoveries incurred on sale of domestic LPG during FY22 and current period, which has been duly recognized by the company in 2QFY23.
- We also highlight that HPCL is battling a three-headed monster: a) project execution risk, b) rising debt due to poor refining margin with delayed stabilization (INR707b in 2QFY23 v/s INR450b in end-FY22), and c) loss of marketing leverage in the longer term with capacity expansion at Vizag and the upcoming Rajasthan refinery.
- Owing to the beat in our estimates, we cut our EBITDA loss to INR65b (v/s loss of INR111b earlier) and Net loss to INR75b from net loss of INR111b in FY23. We expect consolidated net debt to surge ~1.6x to INR720b in FY24 from INR450b in FY22. We value the stock at 0.9x FY24E P/BV and recommend a Neutral rating with a TP of INR216.

Reported GRM above estimate; miss on refinery throughput

- HPCL's refining throughput was at 4.5mmt (our est. 4.8mmt, +77% YoY, -7% QoQ). Reported GRM stood at USD8.4/bbl (our est. GRM loss of USD3/bbl and GRM of USD16.7/bbl in 1QFY23).
- Marketing volumes were in line with our estimate of 10.4mmt (+14% YoY, -3% QoQ). While, marketing margins (inc. inv.) stood at INR0.6/lit (v/s loss of INR9.9/lit in 1QFY23 and +INR5.9/lit in 2QFY22).
- Resultant EBITDA loss was at INR8.9b (v/s est. EBITDA loss of INR105b). Net loss came in at INR21.7b (v/s our est. PAT loss of INR91b).
- For 1HFY23, EBITDA loss was at INR124b (v/s EBITDA of INR63b in 1HFY22), with Net loss also at INR124b (v/s PAT of INR37b in 1HFY22). This was primarily due to lower average marketing margin (inc. inv.) at -INR4.6/lit (v/s INR5.8/lit in 1HFY22), with marketing volumes up 18% YoY to 21.1mmt. Reported GRM stood at USD12.6/bbl in 1HFY23 (v/s USD2.9/bbl in 1HFY22), with refining throughput rising 85% YoY to 9.3mmt.
- Consolidated debt was at INR707b at end-2QFY23 v/s INR450b at end-FY22.

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Valuation and view

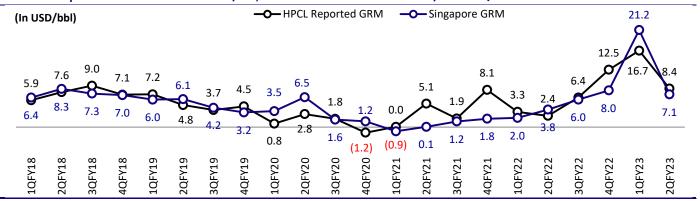
- We expect FY23 capex at ~INR137b and an estimated capex of INR610b in the next five years with the company's focus being on enhancing its refining and marketing infrastructure, foray into petrochemicals and expanding footprints in Alternate Energy.
- Completion of various ongoing projects will drive growth over the next 3-5 years, such as: Bhatinda refinery expansion, bottom up gradation unit at Vizag in 2HFY23, and Rajasthan (Barmer) refinery in FY24.
- Further, HPCL is working on the petchem projects such as setting up of a 4.6mmtpa petrochemical capacity by FY25 along with JVCs that will help it become the second-largest petrochemicals production facility in India.
- Despite the potential highlighted above, we maintain our Neutral rating on the stock because of the project execution risk at Vizag and rising debt levels. We value HPCL at 0.9x FY24E P/BV and arrive at a TP of INR216.

Standalone - Quarterly Earnings Model											(INR b)
Y/E March		FY	22	FY23E					FY22	FY23E	FY23
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3QE	4QE			2QE
Net Sales	724.4	830.6	966.0	975.7	1,144.5	1,084.2	1,079.2	933.5	3,496.8	4,241.4	953.8
YoY Change (%)	92.1	60.4	40.7	30.4	58.0	30.5	11.7	-4.3	50.1	21.3	14.8
EBITDA	32.6	30.1	18.7	21.9	-115.5	-8.9	30.3	28.4	103.3	-65.7	-105.3
Margins (%)	4.5	3.6	1.9	2.2	-10.1	-0.8	2.8	3.0	3.0	-1.5	-11.0
Depreciation	9.1	9.5	10.2	10.8	10.9	10.8	11.6	12.0	39.7	45.3	11.4
Forex loss	0.7	-1.1	-1.4	0.9	9.5	6.0	0.0	0.0	-1.0	15.5	7.0
Interest	2.5	1.5	2.4	3.3	3.3	5.9	3.0	-0.4	9.7	11.9	3.0
Other Income	3.7	3.4	4.1	16.0	3.4	2.8	5.3	9.2	27.2	20.6	5.2
PBT before EO expense	24.0	23.6	11.6	22.8	-135.8	-28.9	21.0	25.9	82.0	-117.8	-121.6
PBT	24.0	23.6	11.6	22.8	-135.8	-28.9	21.0	25.9	82.0	-117.8	-121.6
Rate (%)	25.1	18.5	25.1	21.4	24.9	24.9	25.2	25.2	22.2	24.8	25.2
Adj PAT	18.0	19.2	8.7	18.0	-102.0	-21.7	15.7	19.4	63.8	-88.6	-91.0
YoY Change (%)	-36.2	-22.4	-63.1	-40.5	PL	PL	80.7	8.1	-40.1	-238.8	PL
Key Assumptions											
Refining throughput (mmt)	2.5	2.5	4.2	4.7	4.8	4.5	5.5	7.2	14.0	22.0	4.8
Reported GRM (USD/bbl)	3.3	2.4	6.4	12.5	16.7	8.4	5.0	5.0	6.2	8.8	-3.0
Marketing sales volume incl exports (mmt)	8.8	9.1	10.5	10.7	10.7	10.4	10.3	9.7	39.1	10.3	10.1
Marketing GM incl inv (INR/litre)	5.8	5.9	3.0	2.7	-9.9	0.7	4.5	4.5	4.3	-0.1	-5.2

Y End: March 31	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Exchange Rate (INR/USD)	67.1	64.5	70.0	70.9	74.3	74.5	79.9	80.4
Brent Crude (USD/bbl)	48.6	57.6	70.1	61.2	44.4	80.5	100.0	90.0
Market Sales (MMT)	35	37	39	40	37	39	41	43
YoY (%)	3	6	5	2	(8)	7	5	4
GRM (USD/bbl)	6.2	7.4	5.0	1.0	3.9	7.2	8.2	5.0
Singapore GRM (USD/bbl)	5.8	7.3	4.9	3.2	0.5	5.0	10.1	6.0
Prem/(disc) (USD/bbl)	0	0	0	(2)	3	2	(1.9)	(1.0)
Total Refinery throughput (MMT)	17.8	18.3	18.4	17.2	16.4	14.0	22.0	24.0
YoY (%)	3%	3%	1%	-7%	-4%	-15%	57%	9%
Refining capacity utilization (%)	120%	116%	117%	109%	104%	88%	98%	98%
Blended marketing margin incld inventory (INR/lit)	4.0	3.6	4.3	4.0	6.3	4.3	(0.1)	4.5
Cons EPS	54.0	47.4	43.9	23.9	70.0	47.9	-49.5	45.4

Story in charts – 2QFY23

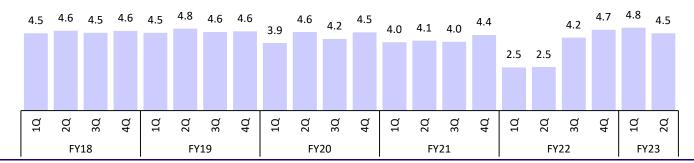
Exhibit 1: Reported GRM stood at USD8.4/bbl, while SG GRM stood at USD7.1/bbl in 2QFY23



Source: Company, MOFSL

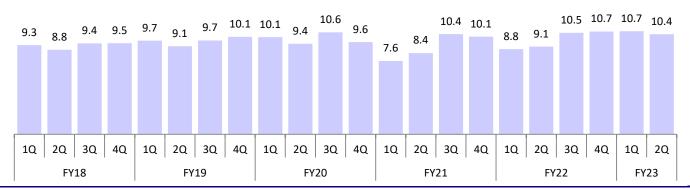
Exhibit 2: Throughput was at 4.5mmt in 2QFY23 (+77% YoY, -7% QoQ)

Refinery thr'put (mmt)



Source: Company, MOFSL

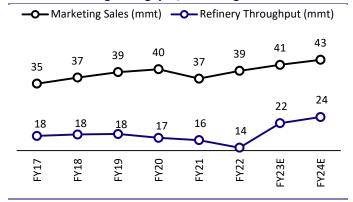
Exhibit 3: Marketing volume was +14% YoY, -3% QoQ to 10.4mmt



Source: Company, MOFSL

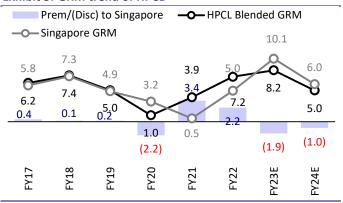
Story in charts

Exhibit 4: Refining throughput/marketing sales of HPCL



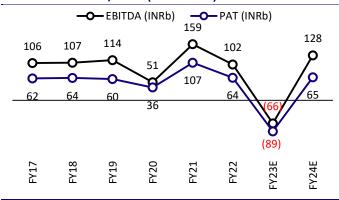
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Exhibit 5: GRM trend of HPCL



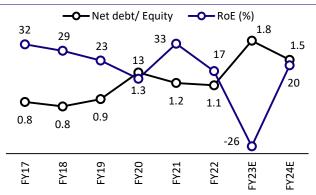
Source: Company, MOFSL

Exhibit 6: EBITDA v/s PAT (standalone)



Source: Company, MOFSL

Exhibit 7: Standalone ratios



Source: Company, MOFSL

Exhibit 8: HPCL – 1-year forward P/B trades at 17% discount to its long-term average of 1.3x



Source: Company, MOFSL

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Financials and valuations

Y/E March	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Total Income from Operations	1,874.9	2,195.1	2,754.9	2,690.9	2,332.5	3,499.1	4,243.7	4,027.1
Change (%)	5.4	17.1	25.5	-2.3	-13.3	50.0	21.3	-5.1
EBITDA	108.8	107.1	115.3	56.6	160.0	102.4	-65.0	128.4
Margin (%)	5.8	4.9	4.2	2.1	6.9	2.9	-1.5	3.2
Depreciation	27.8	28.3	30.9	33.7	36.3	40.0	47.0	50.1
EBIT	81.0	78.8	84.4	22.9	123.8	62.4	-112.1	78.3
Interest Charges (incld forex)	6.1	6.2	7.9	11.4	9.6	10.0	26.0	27.4
Other Income	13.8	15.3	14.5	16.8	26.4	24.4	20.5	24.6
PBT bef. JVs/associates EO	88.8	87.9	91.1	28.4	140.6	76.9	-117.6	75.6
EO Items	0.0	0.0	0.0	-10.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Minority Interest	23.2	13.2	9.3	-4.6	1.4	14.6	16.8	16.9
PBT after EO Exp.	112.0	101.1	100.4	13.7	142.0	91.4	-100.8	92.5
Tax Rate (%)	26.4	28.6	33.4	-92.0	24.9	20.2	25.2	25.2
Reported PAT	82.4	72.2	66.9	26.4	106.6	72.9	-75.4	69.2
Adjusted PAT	82.4	72.2	66.9	36.4	106.6	72.9	-75.4	69.2
Change (%)	76.2	-12.4	-7.3	-45.6	192.8	-31.6	-203.4	-191.8
Margin (%)	4.4	3.3	2.4	1.4	4.6	2.1	-1.8	1.7
Consolidated - Balance Sheet								(INR b)
Y/E March	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Equity Share Capital	10.2	15.2	15.2	15.2	14.5	14.2	14.2	14.2
Total Reserves	200.6	240.1	288.8	294.6	366.3	399.9	324.4	372.8
Net Worth	210.7	255.3	304.0	309.8	380.8	414.0	338.6	387.0
Total Loans	180.3	205.4	260.4	393.9	427.1	450.3	720.5	720.5
Deferred Tax Liabilities	61.5	68.0	74.0	54.9	54.6	59.6	59.6	59.6
Capital Employed	452.5	528.7	638.3	758.6	862.5	923.9	1,118.7	1,167.1
Net Fixed Assets	368.6	386.8	416.2	489.4	505.9	578.0	680.7	730.6
Capital WIP	18.7	40.1	95.2	171.7	253.4	289.1	276.4	263.4
Total Investments	117.7	128.8	143.0	144.0	150.9	188.7	188.7	188.7
Curr. Assets, Loans&Adv.	283.6	322.5	395.5	336.8	397.3	453.0	614.2	609.3
Inventory	186.3	186.1	204.4	193.3	287.6	355.1	430.7	408.7
Account Receivables	40.9	55.9	56.7	39.3	68.7	63.4	76.9	73.0
Cash and Bank Balance	1.4	12.9	2.2	2.2	5.7	2.6	74.7	95.7
Cash	1.1	1.2	2.0	2.0	4.8	2.3	74.4	95.4
Bank Balance	0.2	11.7	0.2	0.2	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.2
Loans and Advances	5.3	10.4	19.9	18.2	11.1	10.8	10.8	10.8
Others	49.7	57.1	112.3	83.8	24.1	21.1	21.1	21.1
Curr. Liability & Prov.	350.7	368.0	435.1	410.5	479.1	622.3	678.7	662.3
Account Payables	127.0	157.8	190.5	114.7	178.0	264.8	321.1	304.7
Other Current Liabilities	199.1	185.0	223.2	268.9	272.3	332.2	332.2	332.2
Provisions	24.5	25.2	21.4	26.9	28.8	25.4	25.4	25.4
Net Current Assets	-67.1	-45.5	-39.7	-73.7	-81.8	-169.3	-64.5	-53.0
Appl. of Funds	453	529	638	759	862	924	1,118.7	1,167.1

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Financials and valuations

Ratios								
Y/E March	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
Basic (INR)								
EPS	54.0	47.4	43.9	23.9	70.0	47.9	-49.5	45.4
Cash EPS	72.2	66.0	64.1	46.0	93.7	74.1	-18.6	78.3
BV/Share	138.2	167.5	199.5	203.3	249.8	271.6	222.2	253.9
DPS	22.8	16.2	15.2	9.3	21.7	13.3	0.0	13.7
Payout (%)	50.8	42.8	43.8	77.2	31.0	27.9	0.0	30.1
Valuation (x)								
P/E	3.9	4.5	4.8	8.8	3.0	4.4	-4.3	4.6
Cash P/E	2.9	3.2	3.3	4.6	2.2	2.8	-11.3	2.7
P/BV	1.5	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8
EV/Sales	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
EV/EBITDA	4.6	4.8	5.0	12.6	4.6	7.5	-14.9	7.4
Dividend Yield (%)	10.8	7.7	7.2	4.4	10.3	6.3	0.0	6.5
FCF per share	28.9	28.4	-17.8	-54.6	40.8	24.8	-112.9	45.4
Return Ratios (%)								
RoE	43.7	31.0	23.9	11.9	30.9	18.4	-20.0	19.1
RoCE	17.9	15.8	12.9	12.0	14.9	8.3	-7.1	7.1
RoIC	18.7	17.0	15.1	10.5	20.8	11.1	-16.4	9.8
Working Capital Ratios								3.0
Fixed Asset Turnover (x)	4.4	4.7	5.2	4.2	3.4	4.4	4.5	3.8
Asset Turnover (x)	4.1	4.2	4.3	3.5	2.7	3.8	3.8	3.5
Inventory (Days)	36	31	27	26	45	37	37	37
Debtor (Days)	8	9	8	5	11	7	7	7
Creditor (Days)	25	26	25	16	28	28	28	28
Leverage Ratio (x)		20		10		20		20
Current Ratio	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.9
Interest Cover Ratio	13.3	12.8	10.7	2.0	12.8	6.3	-4.3	2.9
Net Debt/Equity	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.9	1.6
Net Best/Equity	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5		1.1	1.5	1.0
Consolidated - Cash Flow Statement								(INR b)
Y/E March	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E
OP/(Loss) before Tax	112.0	101.1	100.4	13.7	142.0	91.4	-100.8	92.5
Depreciation	27.8	28.3	30.9	33.7	36.3	40.0	47.0	50.1
Interest expense	6.1	6.2	7.9	11.4	9.6	10.0	26.0	27.4
Interest income and dividend	-3.5	-4.0	-4.0	-4.0	-4.0	-4.0	0.0	0.0
Direct Taxes Paid	-21.8	-20.0	-20.8	-17.2	-31.9	-14.5	25.4	-23.3
MI and others	-24.6	-10.7	-4.5	9.7	-2.7	-20.3	0.0	0.0
(Inc)/Dec in WC	6.6	9.4	-24.3	7.4	28.9	55.5	-32.7	9.5
CF from Operations	102.5	110.4	85.5	54.7	178.3	158.1	-35.1	156.2
(Inc)/Dec in FA	-58.5	-67.0	-112.7	-137.9	-116.1	-120.3	-137.0	-87.0
Free Cash Flow	44.0	43.3	-27.1	-83.2	62.2	37.8	-172.1	69.2
Others	-2.8	3.7	9.3	5.6	7.0	9.0	0.0	0.0
CF from Investments	-60.4	-66.0	-110.7	-141.7	-122.8	-137.4	-137.0	-87.0
Inc/(Dec) in Debt	5.3	-11.2	51.0	114.6	2.9	39.2	270.2	0.0
Interest Paid	-5.9	-5.1	-8.5	-12.9	-16.0	-17.2	-26.0	-27.4
Dividend Paid	-41.8	-27.9	-16.5	-12.9	-10.0	-32.2	0.0	-27.4
CF from Fin. Activity	-41.6 - 42.4	-27.9 - 44.2	26.0	87.0	-14.8 - 52.8	-32.2 - 23.1	244.2	-20.8 - 48.2
Inc/Dec of Cash	-42.4					-23.1	72.1	
		0.1	0.8	0.1	2.8			21.0
Opening Balance	1.4	1.1	1.2	2.0	2.0	4.8	2.3	74.4
Closing Balance	1.1	1.2	2.0	2.0	4.8	2.3	74.4	95.4

Explanation of Investment Rating					
Investment Rating	Expected return (over 12-month)				
BUY	>=15%				
SELL	<-10%				
NEUTRAL	< - 10 % to 15%				
UNDER REVIEW	Rating may undergo a change				
NOT RATED	We have forward looking estimates for the stock but we refrain from assigning recommendation				

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