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Moderate growth with good dividend yield

CMP Rs 213 as of (February 2, 2023) **Target Price** Rs 250 (=)

Rating **Upside BUY** (■) 15.5 %

Result highlights

Power Grid Corporation

- Power Grid (Standalone) reported 10% YoY PAT growth for the quarter, though PAT has been flattish for the last 4 quarters, as not much commissioning has happened in the last three quarters.
- Capex/commissioning during 3QFY23 stood at Rs12.3bn/Rs11.9bn at the standalone level and at Rs22bn/Rs20.6bn for the consolidated entity. On a YoY basis, 9MFY23 commissioning at the consolidated level stood at ~Rs52bn as against Rs185bn in 9MFY22.
- Earnings growth for the company is expected to considerably moderate for FY24/FY25, owing to commissioning of ~Rs100bn each in FY23 and FY24 at consolidated level. Over the medium term, Power Grid is expected to register ~5% EPS CAGR, with dividend yield of ~7%. Power Grid remains as a low risk, moderate-return profile utility, in our view.
- FY23 capex and commissioning expectation: Capex/commissioning at the consolidated level is estimated at Rs88bn/Rs100bn, respectively, in FY23. The company is expected to clock a similar amount of capex and commissioning in FY24, unless it wins new projects.
- Work at hand: PWGR has Rs476bn of Transmission projects at hand. These consists of Rs76bn/Rs270bn/Rs130bn for ongoing projects/new projects/TBCB projects, respectively. Management indicated that projects worth Rs230bn are in the 'bidding' stage, while projects worth Rs340bn have been approved and would thus be put to bid.
- CTUIL rolling plan for Transmission: The present rolling plan of Central Transmission Utility of India (CTUIL) envisages investments of Rs1.25trn in transmission during FY23-FY27, with the addition of over 200,000MVA and 31,000ckm. Under the regulated tariff mechanism (RTM), PWGR has also been given the Rs270bn 5GW Leh-Kaithal Transmission corridor, which will be completed by FY27.
- Power Grid is a low-risk, moderate-return profile utility: Over the years, the present capex has tapered, on the back of huge investment in the Transmission sector in India. Investment in the sector is mainly towards connecting the RE projects to the developed Transmission system. Given that a large portion of its earnings still comes from the regulated part, the downside risk to earnings is minimal.
- Valuation and outlook: We maintain BUY on the stock, with Dec-24 TP of Rs250/share. Over the past 5 years, the average P/B for the stock has been ~1.7x, with RoE of 17-18%. At CMP of Rs213/share, the stock trades at ~1.7x. The stock provides dividend yield of ~7% presently. Risks include delay in commissioning of under-construction projects and deferral in bidding of new projects.

Financial Snapshot (Standalone)

FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
3,76,657	3,99,281	4,23,855	4,23,206	4,17,903
3,34,548	3,43,991	3,85,621	3,83,718	3,77,128
88.8	86.2	91.0	90.7	90.2
1,30,144	1,33,343	1,49,374	1,55,688	1,59,420
24.9	19.1	21.4	22.3	22.9
20.4	(23.2)	12.0	4.2	2.4
19.4	18.3	18.9	18.3	17.4
8.7	11.3	10.1	9.7	9.5
7.5	8.2	7.1	6.9	6.8
1.6	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.6
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Change in Estimates EPS Chg FY23E/FY24E (%) 11/10 Target Price change (%) (0)Target Period (Months) 12 Previous Reco BUY **Emkay vs Consensus**

EPS Estimates

Stock Details

	FY23E	FY24E
Emkay	21.4	22.3
Consensus	20.5	21.5
Mean Consensus TP	(12M)	Rs 245

Bloomberg Code	PWGR IN
Face Value (Rs)	10
Shares outstanding (mn)	6,975
52 Week H/L	248 / 186
M Cap (Rs bn/USD bn)	1,507 / 18.39
Daily Avg Volume (nos.)	92,31,783

Shareholding Pattern Dec '22						
Promoters	51.3%					
Fils	32.8%					
DIIs	12.7%					

24.5

3.2%

Daily Avg Turnover (USD mn)

Price Performance									
(%)	1M	3M	6M	12M					
Absolute	1	(8)	(1)	1					
Rel. to Nifty	4	(5)	(3)	1					

Relative price trend

Public and Others



Source: Bloomberg

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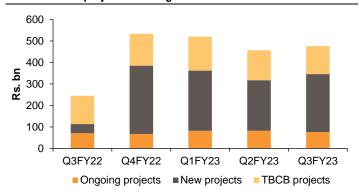
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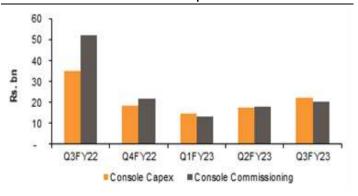
Story in Charts

Exhibit 1: New projects are a big chunk of the total work in hand



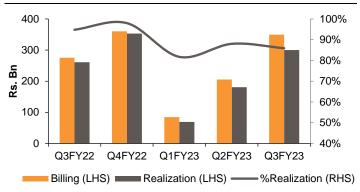
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Exhibit 2: In line to achieve Rs88bn capex for FY23



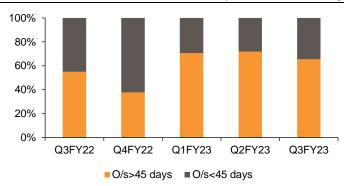
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Exhibit 3: % Realization has been lower on a YoY basis



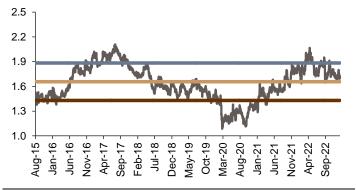
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Exhibit 4: Receivable o/s of more than 45 days has been increasing



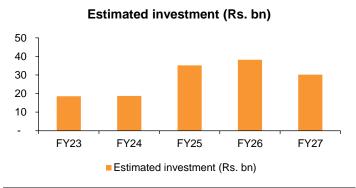
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Exhibit 5: P/B trend - Average PER of 1.7x



Source: Company, Emkay Research

Exhibit 6: Estimated investment by ISTS up till FY27



Source: Company, Emkay Research

Exhibit 7: Change in Estimates

Y/E, Mar (Rs mn)	FY23E			FY24E			FY25E			
	Earlier	Revised	Change	Earlier	Revised	Change	Earlier	Revised	Change	
Revenue	4,04,910	4,23,855	5%	4,05,454	4,23,206	4%	4,01,349	4,17,903	4%	
EBITDA	3,53,622	3,85,621	9%	3,52,910	3,83,718	9%	3,47,516	3,77,128	9%	
EBITDAM (%)	87.3%	91.0%	-365 bps	87.0%	90.7%	-363 bps	86.6%	90.2%	-366 bps	
APAT	1,34,970	1,49,374	11%	1,40,907	1,55,688	10%	1,45,678	1,59,420	9%	
EPS (Rs)	19.3	21.4	11%	20.2	22.3	10%	20.9	22.9	9%	

Source: Emkay Research

Exhibit 8: Quarterly Results

(Rs mn)	Q3 FY22	Q4 FY22	Q1 FY23	Q2 FY23	Q3 FY23	YoY (%)	QoQ (%)	YTDFY22	YTDFY23	YoY (%)
Revenue	1,00,010	1,02,212	1,04,461	1,06,557	1,07,464	7.45%	0.85%	2,97,069	3,18,482	7.2
Expenditure	(13,127)	(13,453)	(16,444)	(16,976)	(13,669)	4.13%	-19.48%	-36,611	-47,088	28.6
as % of sales	-13.1%	-13.2%	-15.7%	-15.9%	-12.7%			-12.3%	-14.8%	
Employee Cost	(6,111)	(5,675)	(5,606)	(6,585)	(6,118)	0.12%	-7.10%	-16,672	-18,308	9.8
as % of sales	-6.1%	-5.6%	-5.4%	-6.2%	-5.7%			-5.6%	-5.7%	
Other expenditure	(7,016)	(7,778)	(10,838)	(10,391)	(7,551)	7.62%	-27.32%	-19,939	-28,780	44.3
as % of sales	-7.0%	-7.6%	-10.4%	-9.8%	-7.0%			-6.7%	-9.0%	
EBITDA	86,883	88,759	88,017	89,582	93,795	7.96%	4.70%	2,60,458	2,71,393	4.2
Depreciation	(31,930)	(31,875)	(32,026)	(32,193)	(33,041)	3.48%	2.64%	-93,631	-97,260	3.9
EBIT	54,954	56,884	55,991	57,389	60,754	10.55%	5.86%	1,66,827	1,74,134	4.4
Other Income	6,356	7,207	5,708	5,347	7,261	14.24%	35.79%	16,871	18,316	8.6
Interest	(18,517)	(21,027)	(19,818)	(22,058)	(30,367)	64.00%	37.67%	-61,083	-72,243	18.3
Net movement in Regulatory Account	(674)	(6,352)	800	(341)	2,339					
PBT	42,119	36,713	42,682	40,337	39,987	-5.06%	-0.87%	1,23,740	1,23,005	-0.6
Total Tax	8,624	(594)	5,023	3,827	2,969	-65.57%	-22.41%	27,705	11,819	-57.3
Adjusted PAT	33,494	37,307	37,659	36,510	37,017	10.52%	1.39%	96,035	1,11,186	15.8
Extra ordinary items	-	5,899	-	-	-			31,696	0	
Reported PAT	33,494	43,206	37,659	36,510	37,017	10.52%	1.39%	1,27,731	1,11,186	-13.0
Adjusted EPS	4.8	5.3	5.4	5.2	5.3	10.52%	1.39%	15	16	5.1

(%)						(bps)	(bps)			(bps)
EBITDA margin	86.87	86.84	84.26	84.07	87.28	41	321	87.7	85.2	-246
EBIT margin	54.9	55.7	53.6	53.9	56.5	159	268	56.2	54.7	-148
EBT margin	42.1	35.9	40.9	37.9	37.2	-490	-65	41.7	38.6	-303
APAT margin	33.5	36.5	36.1	34.3	34.4	96	18	32.3	34.9	258
Effective Tax rate	20.5	-1.6	11.8	9.5	7.4	-1,305	-206	22.4	9.6	-1,278

Source: Company, Emkay Research

Key Financials (Standalone)

Income Statement

Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Revenue	3,76,657	3,99,281	4,23,855	4,23,206	4,17,903
Expenditure	42,109	55,290	38,233	39,488	40,775
EBITDA	3,34,548	3,43,991	3,85,621	3,83,718	3,77,128
Depreciation	1,17,117	1,25,506	1,32,229	1,34,534	1,34,534
EBIT	2,17,431	2,18,485	2,53,393	2,49,184	2,42,594
Other Income	28,615	24,078	25,065	31,343	37,069
Interest expenses	85,010	82,109	91,741	85,917	80,387
PBT	1,61,036	1,60,453	1,86,717	1,94,610	1,99,276
Tax	30,891	27,111	37,343	38,922	39,855
Extraordinary Items	(10,786)	37,595	0	0	0
Minority Int./Income from Assoc.	0	0	0	0	0
Reported Net Income	1,19,358	1,70,938	1,49,374	1,55,688	1,59,420
Adjusted PAT	1,30,144	1,33,343	1,49,374	1,55,688	1,59,420

Balance Sheet

Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Equity share capital	52,316	69,755	69,755	69,755	69,755
Reserves & surplus	6,43,473	6,91,761	7,51,511	8,13,786	8,77,554
Net worth	6,95,788	7,61,516	8,21,265	8,83,541	9,47,309
Minority Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Loan Funds	14,30,515	13,46,653	12,74,514	11,80,248	11,16,527
Net deferred tax liability	1,19,419	1,14,248	1,14,248	1,14,248	1,14,248
Total Liabilities	22,45,722	22,22,416	22,10,027	21,78,037	21,78,084
Net block	17,53,921	17,81,756	17,00,376	16,09,908	14,75,374
Investment	45,262	74,735	88,522	1,10,914	1,34,174
Current Assets	5,48,907	5,32,964	6,06,934	6,27,740	7,05,161
Cash & bank balance	52,735	29,710	52,092	22,715	49,282
Other Current Assets	2,50,979	1,66,539	1,69,804	1,73,135	1,76,532
Current liabilities & Provision	2,97,597	2,56,360	2,64,741	2,66,990	2,68,146
Net current assets	2,51,310	2,76,603	3,42,193	3,60,750	4,37,014
Misc. exp	0	0	0	0	0
Total Assets	22,45,722	22,22,416	22,10,027	21,78,037	21,78,083

Cash Flow

Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
PBT (Ex-Other income) (NI+Dep)	1,32,421	1,36,375	1,61,652	1,63,267	1,62,207
Other Non-Cash items	0	0	0	0	0
Chg in working cap	(48,905)	(53,490)	(43,208)	(47,934)	(49,697)
Operating Cashflow	2,75,323	2,46,402	3,03,491	2,96,504	2,88,307
Capital expenditure	(64,813)	(97,819)	(90,463)	(1,11,595)	(85,056)
Free Cash Flow	2,10,511	1,48,583	2,13,028	1,84,909	2,03,251
Investments	(7,625)	(29,473)	(13,787)	(22,392)	(23,260)
Other Investing Cash Flow	(33,394)	1,25,100	50,000	50,000	50,000
Investing Cashflow	(77,217)	21,885	(29,184)	(52,644)	(21,248)
Equity Capital Raised	0	17,439	0	0	0
Loans Taken / (Repaid)	(49,282)	(83,862)	(72,139)	(94,266)	(63,721)
Dividend paid (incl tax)	(68,220)	(1,08,120)	(89,624)	(93,413)	(95,652)
Other Financing Cash Flow	3,196	(34,660)	1,579	358	(732)
Financing Cashflow	(1,99,316)	(2,91,312)	(2,51,925)	(2,73,237)	(2,40,492)
Net chg in cash	(1,210)	(23,025)	22,381	(29,377)	26,567
Opening cash position	53,945	52,735	29,710	52,092	22,715
Closing cash position	52,735	29,710	52,092	22,715	49,282

Source: Company, Emkay Research

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Profitability (%)	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
EBITDA Margin	88.8	86.2	91.0	90.7	90.2
EBIT Margin	57.7	54.7	59.8	58.9	58.1
Effective Tax Rate	19.2	16.9	20.0	20.0	20.0
Net Margin	34.6	33.4	35.2	36.8	38.1
ROCE	11.0	10.9	12.6	12.8	12.8
ROE	19.4	18.3	18.9	18.3	17.4
RoIC	11.5	11.0	12.6	12.7	12.7

Per Share Data (Rs)	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
EPS	24.9	19.1	21.4	22.3	22.9
CEPS	47.3	37.1	40.4	41.6	42.1
BVPS	133.0	109.2	117.7	126.7	135.8
DPS	13.0	15.5	12.8	13.4	13.7

Valuations (x)	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
PER	8.7	11.3	10.1	9.7	9.5
P/CEPS	4.6	5.8	5.4	5.2	5.1
P/BV	1.6	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.6
EV / Sales	6.7	7.1	6.4	6.3	6.2
EV / EBITDA	7.5	8.2	7.1	6.9	6.8
Dividend Yield (%)	6.0	7.2	5.9	6.2	6.3

Gearing Ratio (x)	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Net Debt/ Equity	2.0	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.1
Net Debt/EBIDTA	4.1	3.8	3.2	3.0	2.8
Working Cap Cycle (days)	192.4	225.7	249.8	291.5	338.6

Growth (%)	FY21	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Revenue	4.1	6.0	6.2	(0.2)	(1.3)
EBITDA	1.1	2.8	12.1	(0.5)	(1.7)
EBIT	(1.2)	0.5	16.0	(1.7)	(2.6)
PAT	10.4	43.2	(12.6)	4.2	2.4

Quarterly (Rs mn)	Q3FY22	Q4FY22	Q1FY23	Q2FY23	Q3FY23
Revenue	1,00,010	1,02,212	1,04,461	1,06,557	1,06,011
EBITDA	86,209	82,408	88,817	89,241	89,373
EBITDA Margin (%)	86.2	80.6	85.0	83.7	84.3
PAT	33,494	43,206	37,659	36,510	34,139
EPS (Rs)	4.8	6.2	5.4	5.2	4.9

Source: Company, Emkay Research

Shareholding Pattern (%)	Dec-21	Mar-22	Jun-22	Sep-22	Dec-22
Promoters	51.3	51.3	51.3	51.3	51.3
FIIs	28.2	29.4	30.3	31.7	32.8
DIIs	8.4	16.0	15.2	13.8	12.7
Public and Others	12.1	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.1

Source: Capitaline

RECOMMENDATION HISTORY (Rs/share)

Date	Closing Price	TP	Period	Rating	Analyst
04-Jan-23	211	250	12m	Buy	Abhineet Anand
06-Dec-22	224	250	12m	Buy	Abhineet Anand
27-Sep-22	205	250	12m	Buy	Abhineet Anand
11-Sep-22	223	250	12m	Buy	Abhineet Anand
30-Jun-22	212	250	12m	Buy	Abhineet Anand

Source: Company, Emkay Research

RECOMMENDATION HISTORY (Rs/share)



Source: Bloomberg, Company, Emkay Research

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