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Mahindra & Mahindra Financial

Estimate change
TP change
Rating change

CMP: INR299

Bloomberg	MMFS IN
Equity Shares (m)	1236
M.Cap.(INRb)/(USDb)	369.9 / 4.5
52-Week Range (INR)	346 / 176
1, 6, 12 Rel. Per (%)	-12/21/36
12M Avg Val (INR M)	1154

Financials & valuations (INR b)

Y/E March	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
NII	64.8	74.8	91.0
PPP	37.5	43.4	56.8
PAT	19.8	21.7	28.7
EPS (INR)	16.1	17.6	23.3
EPS Gr. (%)	101	10	32
BV/Sh.(INR)	133	144	159
Ratios			
NIM (%)	8.3	7.7	7.8
C/I ratio (%)	42.1	41.9	37.6
RoA (%)	2.3	2.1	2.3
RoE (%)	12.6	12.8	15.4
Payout (%)	37.3	37.5	35.0
Valuations			
P/E (x)	18.6	17.0	12.8
P/BV (x)	2.3	2.1	1.9
Div. Yield (%)	2.0	2.2	2.7

Shareholding pattern (%)

As On	Jun-23	Mar-23	Jun-22
Promoter	52.2	52.2	52.2
DII	27.0	25.2	18.0
FII	14.1	15.0	17.8
Others	6.8	7.7	12.1

FII Includes depository receipts

In the midst of transformation, yield moderation a concern
Stark NIM compression and elevated credit costs lead to a weak
quarter

TP: INR370 (+24%)

- Mahindra & Mahindra Financial (MMFS)'s 1QFY24 PAT grew 58% YoY to INR3.5b (23% miss). Net Total Income (reported NII) stood at INR16.7b (6% miss) and rose 7% YoY while PPoP at ~INR10b (5% miss) grew 6% YoY.
- Annualized credit costs of ~2.5% (PY: 3.9%) were higher than expectations and included ~INR3.3b in write-offs and ~INR2.0b in provisions.
- In 1QFY24, the yields (calc.) moderated ~45bp QoQ while CoF (calc.) rose ~20bp, leading to a margin contraction of ~50bp QoQ. This yield moderation, in our view, was primarily due to the rising proportion of PrimeX customers and stronger growth in Cars/Utility Vehicles.

 Management guided for a product-mix change and gradual re-pricing in incremental disbursements that should lead to a gradual expansion in yields.
- We estimate NIM to moderate to 7.7% in FY24 (PY: 8.3%) and then expand ~20bp YoY to 7.8% in FY25.
- MMFS has made a good progress towards its Mission 2025 targets across AUM growth, asset quality, and RoA. With process enhancements across sourcing, underwriting and collections, we expect asset quality improvement to sustain and now model lower credit costs of ~1.6%/1.7% in FY24/FY25.
- We cut our FY24E EPS by ~2% to factor in a higher NIM compression. We model an AUM and PAT CAGR of 19% and 20% over FY23-FY25E for an FY25 RoA and RoE of 2.3% and 15.4%, respectively.
- Prior to this quarter, MMFS had managed to reduce the volatilities in its asset quality and earnings performance by implementing a series of strategic initiatives designed to foster stability through streamlined operations and enhanced risk management. However, the company would need to get its act together to reduce the volatilities in its yields and credit costs to sustain investor confidence in its transformation journey. Retain BUY with a revised TP of INR370 (premised on 2.3x FY25E BVPS).
- **Key risks:** a) Margin compression because of slight change in customer mix and higher Cars/UVs in the product mix, b) higher exposure to rural India will keep it vulnerable to any uneven monsoon distribution and c) slowdown in vehicle demand due to macro challenges.

Key takeaways from the management commentary

- There is no drastic shift away from the earn-and-pay customer segment.
 Faster growth in pre-owned vehicles will offset any margin compression.
- Management guided that PrimeX segment will not be more than 10-12% of the customer mix. Compression in NIM from PrimeX customer base will be more than offset by lower opex and credit costs.
- It will take one more year for the PCR across different stages to decline further. Product/Customer mix change will also aid lower PCR.

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Valuation and View

- We remain hopeful that the company will demonstrate more predictability in its earnings performance. Strong liability franchise and deep moats in rural/semiurban customer segments position MMFS well to reap rewards of the hard work that is ongoing into evolving this franchise.
- MMFS currently trades at 1.9x FY25E P/BV. Risk-Reward is favorable for a PAT CAGR of ~20% over FY23-FY25E and FY25E RoA/RoE of 2.3%/15.4%. Maintain BUY with a revised TP of INR370 (based on 2.3x FY25E BVPS).

Quarterly Performance												(INR m)
Y/E March		FY2	23			FY2	4E	FY23 FY24E 1QFY24I			1QFY24E	v/s est
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	FYZ3	FY24E	1QFY24E	
Interest income	24,372	25,163	27,947	29,344	30,349	32,170	34,743	36,622	1,06,826	1,33,884	31,310	-3
Interest Expenses	9,320	10,688	12,419	13,340	14,505	15,592	16,606	17,194	45,767	63,896	14,540	0
NII	15,052	14,475	15,528	16,004	15,844	16,577	18,138	19,428	61,059	69,988	16,769	-6
YoY Growth (%)	34.2	0.3	1.1	11.1	5.3	14.5	16.8	21.4	10.2	14.6	11.4	
Other income	614	930	969	1,223	905	1,111	1,209	1,583	3,735	4,809	1,039	-13
Net Total Income	15,666	15,405	16,496	17,227	16,750	17,689	19,347	21,011	64,794	74,797	17,809	-6
YoY Growth (%)	34.0	2.2	3.6	13.7	6.9	14.8	17.3	22.0	12.0	15.4	13.7	
Operating Expenses	6,208	6,768	6,513	7,786	6,750	7,354	8,265	8,987	27,276	31,356	7,326	-8
Operating Profit	9,458	8,637	9,983	9,441	10,000	10,335	11,082	12,024	37,518	43,440	10,483	-5
YoY Growth (%)	26.3	-15.0	-6.0	5.1	5.7	19.7	11.0	27.4	0.7	15.8	10.8	
Provisions	6,453	1,985	1,551	4	5,264	3,908	3,047	2,030	9,992	14,249	4,234	24
Profit before Tax	3,005	6,652	8,431	9,437	4,735	6,427	8,035	9,995	27,526	29,192	6,249	-24
Tax Provisions	776	1,624	2,142	2,596	1,209	1,639	2,049	2,547	7,138	7,444	1,643	-26
Net Profit	2,229	4,483	6,290	6,841	3,527	4,788	5,986	7,447	19,843	21,748	4,605	-23
YoY Growth (%)	-114.6	-56.2	-29.6	13.9	58.2	6.8	-4.8	8.9	100.7	9.6	106.6	
Key Operating												
Parameters (%)												
Yield on loans (Cal)	15.8	15.2	15.6	15.4	14.9	15.0	15.4	15.5	15.3	15.2		
Cost of funds (Cal)	6.5	6.8	7.2	7.3	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.0	8.0		
Spreads (Cal)	9.3	8.4	8.5	8.0	7.4	7.3	7.7	7.9	8.3	7.2		
Credit Cost (Cal)	3.9	1.1	0.8	0.0	2.5	1.8	1.3	0.8	1.4	1.6		
Cost to Income Ratio	39.6	43.9	39.5	45.2	40.3	41.6	42.7	42.8	42.1	41.9		
Tax Rate	25.8	24.4	25.4	27.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.9	25.5		
Balance Sheet Parameters												
Loans (INR B)	631	696	734	795	832	882	918	967	795	967		
Change YoY (%)	11.9	21.6	26.0	31.4	31.9	26.8	25.0	21.7	31.5	21.7		
Borrowings (INR B)	591	673	709	749	790	836	880	921	749	921		
Change YoY (%)	6.3	20.4	24.3	34.3	33.7	24.2	24.0	22.9	34.3	22.9		
Loans/Borrowings (%)	106.8	103.3	103.5	106.0	105.4	105.5	104.3	105.0	106.0	105		
Debt/Equity (x)	3.8	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.5				4.6	5.2		
Asset Quality Parameters												
<u>(%)</u>												
GS 3 (INR B)	54.4	49.4	45.9	37.2	37.7				37.2	40.5		
Gross Stage 3 (% on	8.0	6.7	5.9	4.5	4.3				4.5	4.0		
Assets)	0.0	0.7		7.5	7.5				4.5	4.0		
NS 3 (INR B)	22.8	20.7	18.8	15.1	15.0				15.1	16.2		
Net Stage 3 (% on Assets)	3.5	2.9	2.6	1.9	1.8				1.9	1.7		
PCR (%)	58.1	58.2	59.0	59.5	60.1				59.5	60.0		
ECL (%)	6.8	5.7	5.0	4.0	4.0				4.7	3.9		
Return Ratios (%)												
ROAA	1.2	2.2	2.8	2.9	1.4				2.3	2.1		
ROAE	5.7	11.4	15.7	16.3	8.2				12.6	12.8		

E: MOFSL estimates

Demand in Vehicle Finance to sustain; newer businesses picking up

- MMFS' business assets at ~INR867b grew 28% YoY. Disbursements at ~INR122b jumped 28% YoY too in 1QFY24. MMFS is benefitting from the strong sectoral tailwinds and we expect the volume momentum to sustain in the rest of FY24.
- Newer businesses (SME, Personal and Consumer Loans) now contribute ~10% to the Loan Mix (Mar'22: ~7%).

Opex to remain elevated due to investments in technology

- Opex-to-average assets in 1QFY24 improved ~55bp QoQ to 2.8% (PQ: 3.3%).
- Management guided that opex ratio will continue to remain elevated at ~3.0% in FY24 because of various internal projects across people, process and technology. We model opex-to-average assets of 3.0%/2.8% in FY24/FY25E.

Asset quality continues to improve; write-offs will continue to taper-off

- GS3/NS3 improved 20bp/10bp QoQ to 4.3%/1.8%. Stage 2 increased ~40bp QoQ to 6.4%. This resulted in 30+dpd deteriorating ~30bp QoQ to 10.7%.
 Restructured pool declined to 2.1% (PQ: 2.6%) of business assets.
- Despite floods in Northern India, the company has not experienced any significant impact on collection efficiency. While there may be temporary delinquencies, the collections are expected to swiftly recover.
- Management expressed confidence in the continued improvement of GS3 provided there are no major disruptions that are reported in the subsequent quarters. Write-offs could continue at current levels of ~INR3b per quarter and should gradually taper off with further improvement in asset quality.



Highlights from the management commentary

Demand outlook

- Overall economic activity and projects are in full swing Excellent cash-flow position on the ground. Monsoon spread has been decent in all the relevant states. Support price will be good because of the elections around the corner.
- In the remainder of this year Good festival season followed by a good harvest can lead to MMFS repeating the healthy performance of the previous year.

PrimeX segment

This segment's margins are lower than the 'earn and pay' segment but it also has lower opex and credit costs. PrimeX will not be more than 10-12% of the customer mix. The compression in NIM will be more than offset by lower opex and credit costs.

Yields, CoF and margins

Management does not expect CoF to come down for it to generate better margins. Increase in borrowing costs is caused by maturing liabilities being replaced with higher-cost borrowings. Margin improvement or stability will come from better yields driven by a change in product mix.

- Yields will start moving upwards gradually (because of re-pricing and change in product mix) but it is unlikely that margins will increase to the guided levels of ~7.5% quickly.
- MMFS has passed on a marginal increase in lending rates in select products.
- Higher yielding book (like tractors) could have matured, which would have led to the decline in the yields.
- There is no drastic shift away from the earn-and-pay customer segment. Faster growth in pre-owned vehicles will offset any margin compression.

Asset quality

- MMFS did not see any blip in the collection efficiency in the Northern part of the country despite the floods. However, there could be temporary delinquencies but the collection efficiency will rebound quickly.
- MMFS now does write-off every quarter (v/s earlier practice of doing it every six months).
- GS3 will continue to improve from hereon; no major disruptions on the ground; it will not see large write-offs (vs. what was done in the past).
- No significant interest income reversals; Under Ind-AS, interest accrual keeps happening on a net basis
- Restructured pool stood at ~INR18b as of Jun'23.
- GNPA (under IRACP) has also remained range-bound. Restructured assets of ~INR4.64b have been cured and classified under Stage 1 (from Stage 2).
- It will take one more year for the PCR across different stages to come down. Product/Customer mix will also have a role to play here.
- Write-offs for the next three quarters should be at levels similar to the current quarter.

Operating expenses

 Opex stood at 2.8% (as a % of average assets) and management expects it to inch up closer to ~3.0% for FY24.

Others

- The company has not experienced any significant difference in the door-to-door maturities of the loan book.
- ~42% of the borrowings are at floating rate.
- Tier 1 has declined ~100bp QoQ, which is because of higher disbursements/loan growth.

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Key exhibits

Exhibit 1: On-book loans grew ~32% YoY

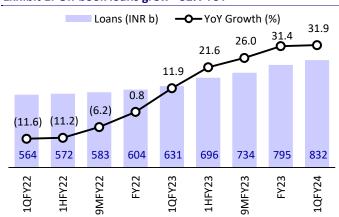
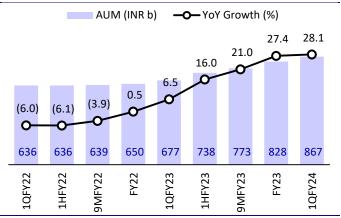


Exhibit 2: Business assets grew ~5% QoQ

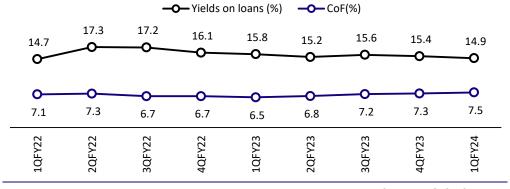


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Exhibit 3: CoF increased ~20bp sequentially

Spreads declined ~65bp QoQ



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Share of M&M tractors

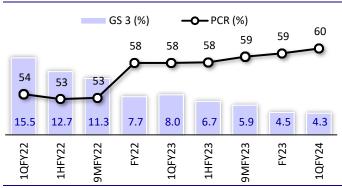
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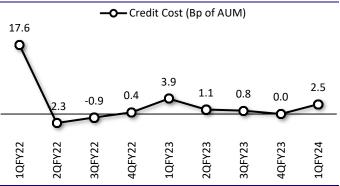
Ex	hibit 4:	ΑU	IM mix	(%)												
		M8	kM-Auto	o/U\	/ (%)			■ M&M Tractors (%)								
		PV,	Other l	UV 8	Tracto	ors,	SV (%)			■ CV	& C	E (%)				
		Use	ed Vehic	cles ((%)					■ SM	E &	Others	(%)			
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Source: MOFSL, Company

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Exhibit 5: GS3 improved to 4.3%, PCR increased ~100bp QoQ Exhibit 6: Annualized credit costs in 1QFY24 at 2.5%





Source: MOFSL, Company, GS 3% on total assets

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Valuation and View

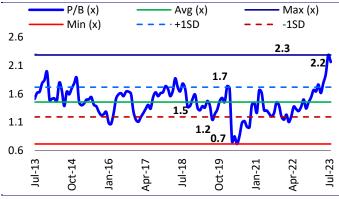
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Exhibit 7: We cut our FY24 EPS estimates by ~2% to factor in higher margin compression

INR B	Old	l Est	Nev	v Est	% C h	ange
	FY24	FY25	FY24	FY25	FY24	FY25
NII (incl. Sec. Inc)	76.0	92.3	72.7	88.4	-4.3	-4.3
Other Income	1.7	2.1	2.1	2.6	26.9	26.9
Total Income	77.6	94.4	74.8	91.0	-3.6	-3.6
Operating Expenses	32.7	36.0	31.4	34.2	-4.2	-5.0
Operating Profits	44.9	58.4	43.4	56.8	-3.3	-2.7
Provisions	15.2	20.6	14.2	18.3	-6.1	-11.3
PBT	29.7	37.8	29.2	38.5	-1.8	2.0
Tax	7.6	9.7	7.4	9.8	-2.6	1.2
PAT	22.1	28.1	21.7	28.7	-1.5	2.2
Loans	965	1,129	967	1,131	0.2	0.2
Borrowings	919	1,075	921	1,078	0.2	0.2
Margins	8.0	8.2	7.7	7.8		
Credit Cost	1.7	1.9	1.6	1.7		
RoA on AUM	2.1	2.3	2.1	2.3		
RoE	13.0	15.1	12.8	15.4		

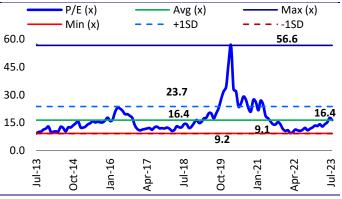
Source: MOFSL, Company

Exhibit 8: One-year forward P/B



Source: MOFSL, Company

Exhibit 9: One-year forward P/E



Source: MOFSL, Company

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Financials and valuations

Income Statement									INR m
Y/E March	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
Interest Income	60,127	65,842	86,146	99,417	1,02,670	94,756	1,06,826	1,33,884	1,63,688
Interest Expended	28,574	30,816	39,446	48,287	47,332	39,359	45,767	63,896	78,447
Net Interest Income	31,553	35,025	46,700	51,130	55,338	55,398	61,059	69,988	85,242
Change (%)	6.0	11.0	33.3	9.5	8.2	0.1	10.2	14.6	21.8
Other Operating Income	1,612	493	1,084	1,561	1,283	1,824	2,462	2,709	3,115
Other Income	636	517	869	1,473	1,277	609	1,273	2,100	2,625
Net Income	33,801	36,036	48,653	54,164	57,897	57,830	64,794	74,797	90,982
Change (%)	3.5	6.6	35.0	11.3	6.9	-0.1	12.0	15.4	21.6
Operating Expenses	14,509	14,336	18,476	20,182	16,325	20,577	27,276	31,356	34,196
Operating Profits	19,292	21,700	30,177	33,982	41,573	37,253	37,518	43,440	56,786
Change (%)	-7.6	12.5	39.1	12.6	22.3	-10.4	0.7	15.8	30.7
Provisions	13,091	5,681	6,352	20,545	37,348	23,683	9,992	14,249	18,253
PBT	6,201	16,019	23,824	13,438	4,224	13,570	27,526	29,192	38,533
Tax	2,198	5,907	8,254	4,374	873	3,682	7,138	7,444	9,826
Tax Rate (%)	35.5	36.9	34.6	32.5	20.7	27.1	25.9	25.5	25.5
PAT	4,002	10,111	15,571	9,064	3,352	9,888	19,843	21,748	28,707
Change (%)	-40.5	152.6	54.0	-41.8	-63.0	195.0	100.7	9.6	32.0
Proposed Dividend (Incl Tax)	1,610	2,938	4,779	0	986	4,439	7,402	8,155	10,048
Balance Sheet									INR m
Y/E March	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
Equity Share Capital	1,130	1,229	1,230	1,231	2,464	2,466	2,467	2,467	2,467
Reserves & Surplus (Ex OCI)	64,994	92,052	1,03,072	1,12,408	1,43,666	1,49,376	1,61,020	1,74,613	1,93,272
Net Worth	66,124	93,281	1,04,221	1,13,558	1,46,049	1,51,761	1,63,488	1,77,080	1,95,740
Other Comprehensive Income	0	0	81	81	81	81	81	81	81
Net Worth	66,124	93,281	1,04,302	1,13,639	1,46,130	1,51,842	1,63,568	1,77,161	1,95,821
Change (%)	8.6	41.1	11.8	9.0	28.6	3.9	7.7	8.3	10.5
Borrowings	3,52,656	4,00,932	5,28,469	5,94,623	5,85,767	5,58,139	7,49,459	9,21,037	10,77,602
Change (%)	19.7	13.7	31.8	12.5	-1.5	-4.7	34.3	22.9	17.0
Other liabilities	24,404	33,715	38,009	32,451	38,469	42,906	49,219	54,634	60,643
Total Liabilities	4,43,185	5,27,927	6,70,780	7,40,712	7,70,365	7,52,887	9,62,166	11,52,750	13,33,984
Investments	19,843	27,341	37,917	59,110	1,16,073	84,403	99,886	1,13,870	1,27,535
Change (%)	29.3	37.8	38.7	55.9	96.4	-27.3	18.3	14.0	12.0
Loans and Advances	4,06,000	4,85,470	6,12,496	6,49,935	5,99,474	6,04,446	7,94,547	9,67,088	11,31,482
Change (%)	12.1	19.6	26.2	6.1	-7.8	0.8	31.5	21.7	17.0

E: MOFSL Estimates

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4,43,185

15,116

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74,968

Other assets

Total Assets

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Financials and valuations

Ratios									(%)
Y/E March	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
Spreads Analysis (%)									
Yield on Portfolio	15.7	14.8	15.7	15.8	16.4	15.7	15.3	15.2	15.6
Cost of Borrowings	8.8	8.2	8.5	8.6	8.0	6.9	7.0	8.0	8.0
Interest Spread	6.8	6.6	7.2	7.2	8.4	8.9	8.3	7.2	7.6
Net Interest Margin	7.7	7.3	8.1	7.8	8.3	8.6	8.3	7.7	7.8
Profitability Ratios (%)									
Cost/Income	42.9	39.8	38.0	37.3	28.2	35.6	42.1	41.9	37.6
Empl. Cost/Op. Exps.	46.9	58.1	59.0	56.9	62.2	56.9	58.1	57.6	59.2
RoE	6.3	12.7	15.8	8.3	2.6	6.6	12.6	12.8	15.4
RoA	1.0	2.1	2.6	1.3	0.4	1.3	2.3	2.1	2.3
Asset Quality (%)									
GNPA	35,341	50,270	40,706	57,467	57,857	49,760	37,170	40,471	46,677
NNPA	7,968	33,109	32,907	39,665	24,339	20,860	15,070	16,188	18,204
GNPA %	8.0	9.8	6.4	8.4	9.0	7.7	4.5	4.0	4.0
NNPA %	2.0	6.6	5.3	6.0	4.1	3.5	1.9	1.7	1.6
PCR %	77.5	34.1	19.2	31.0	57.9	58.1	59.5	60.0	61.0
Total Provisions/loans %	8.9	6.7	3.4	4.9	7.4	7.5	4.7	3.9	3.9
Capitalisation (%)									
CAR	18.1	22.7	20.3	19.6	26.0	27.8	22.5	18.3	17.2
Tier I	13.6	17.0	15.5	15.4	22.2	24.3	19.9	16.7	15.9
Tier II	4.5	5.7	4.8	4.2	3.8	3.5	2.6	1.6	1.3
Average Leverage on Assets (x)	6.6	6.1	6.1	6.5	5.8	5.1	5.4	6.2	6.7
Valuation	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
Book Value (INR)	117	152	169	185	119	123	133	144	159
BV Growth (%)	8.5	29.7	11.7	8.9	-35.8	3.8	7.7	8.3	10.5
Price-BV (x)					2.5	2.4	2.3	2.1	1.9
Adjusted BV (INR)	107	114	132	136	104	110	123	134	148
Price-ABV (x)					2.9	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.0
OPS (INR)	34.1	35.3	49.1	55.2	33.7	30.2	30.4	35.2	46.0
OPS Growth (%)	-7.7	3.4	39.0	12.5	-38.9	-10.5	0.7	15.8	30.7
Price-OP (x)					8.9	9.9	9.8	8.5	6.5
EPS (INR)	7.1	16.5	25.3	14.7	2.7	8.0	16.1	17.6	23.3
EPS Growth (%)	-40.5	132.3	53.9	-41.8	-81.5	194.8	100.6	9.6	32.0
Price-Earnings (x)				20.3	109.9	37.3	18.6	17.0	12.8
Dividend	2.4	4.0	6.5	0.0	0.8	3.6	6.0	6.6	8.1
Dividend Yield (%)					0.3	1.2	2.0	2.2	2.7
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