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Management Meet Update

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Change in Estimates

	Cur	rent	Pre	vious
	FY26E	FY27E	FY26E	FY27E
Rating	ACCUN	1ULATE	ACCUI	MULATE
Target Price	18	81	1	77
Sales (Rs.m)	2,563	2,786	2,563	2,798
% Chng.	-	(0.4)		
EBITDA (Rs.m)	349	437	349	445
% Chng.	-	(1.7)		
EPS (Rs.)	9.8	15.6	9.8	16.0
% Chng.	_	(2.7)		

Key Financials - Consolidated

Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Sales (Rs. bn)	2,185	2,563	2,786	2,926
EBITDA (Rs. bn)	253	349	437	470
Margin (%)	11.6	13.6	15.7	16.1
PAT (Rs. bn)	37	122	194	210
EPS (Rs.)	3.0	9.8	15.6	16.8
Gr. (%)	24.9	226.4	59.4	8.1
DPS (Rs.)	3.6	4.0	4.4	4.8
Yield (%)	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.9
RoE (%)	4.1	12.8	18.3	17.3
RoCE (%)	8.4	13.1	16.8	17.5
EV/Sales (x)	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.9
EV/EBITDA (x)	11.3	8.1	6.2	5.6
PE (x)	56.0	17.2	10.8	10.0
P/BV (x)	2.3	2.1	1.8	1.6

Key Data TISC.BO | TATA IN

52-W High / Low	Rs.174 / Rs.123
Sensex / Nifty	80,426 / 24,655
Market Cap	Rs.2,090bn/ \$ 23,556m
Shares Outstanding	12,484m
3M Avg. Daily Value	Rs.3957.23m

Shareholding Pattern (%)

Promoter's	33.19
Foreign	17.72
Domestic Institution	26.25
Public & Others	22.84
Promoter Pledge (Rs bn)	_

Stock Performance (%)

	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	8.0	7.4	1.1
Relative	8.5	3.2	7.9

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Tata Steel (TATA IN)

Rating: ACCUMULATE | CMP: Rs167 | TP: Rs181

Need to fast track capacity addition pace

Quick Pointers:

- The 0.75mtpa EAF at Ludhiana is on track to get commissioned by Q4FY26
- EC for NINL's 9.5mtpa expansion is in advanced stage, expect board approval post-clearance.

We met the management of Tata Steel to gain insights on company's expansion plans and current demand scenario. Tata aims to achieve its stated capacity target of 40mtpa over the next 5 years. KPO-II ramp up is on track with CRM and other finishing lines that would get commissioned in Q2FY26 and drive additional volumes for the next two years. EC for NINL's 9.5mtpa expansion is in advanced stages, and the management is expected to seek board approval once the EC is obtained. The 0.75mtpa EAF at Ludhiana is on track to get commissioned by Q4FY26. Similar two EAF projects will be undertaken on a fast-track basis once Ludhiana becomes operational and proves viable. The KPO site has sufficient land to commission an additional 8mtpa capacity which will be developed in phases.

We expect Tata to face capacity constraints post-FY28 if the pace of execution does not improve, particularly when robust domestic consumption rate continues. There remains an upside risk to our EBITDA/t assumptions, as the safeguard duty has effectively set a floor for domestic pricing, and improving demand would lead to higher prices in domestic parlance which is at ~6% discount to import parity prices. On the downside, demand uncertainty in developed markets and continued China supplies remains a risk for TSE performance. The stock currently trades at 6.2x/5.6x FY27/28E EBITDA. We maintain Accumulate rating with a revised target price of 181 (earlier 177), valuing the company at 6.5x EV/Sep'27E EBITDA (rolling forward from Mar'27).

- NINL expansion is the key amid demand upswing: Domestic demand is expected to see a significant improvement, supported by GST rationalisation, which is likely to drive growth in the Auto and Engineering segments in the near term. In addition, Gol's continued focus on infrastructure spending is anticipated to boost demand for long products. To capture this opportunity, Tata is fast-tracking the expansion of NINL over the next few years, aimed at strengthening its market share in the longs segment. On the global front, however, demand remains subdued amid an uncertain environment, largely due to the impact of US tariffs.
- China policy and safeguard duty to cushion domestic steel prices: Chinese exports to overseas markets remain elevated; however, the recently announced anti-involution policy could support global steel prices if implemented effectively by Chinese mills. For India, the safeguard duty-though recommended at a lower than expected ~12%- should still provide protection over the next three years for domestic producers. Domestic prices are likely to improve as demand strengthens with the receding monsoon.

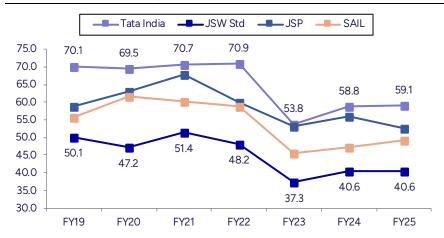
- TSUK breakeven on track, TSN cost transformation may see delays: With substrates sourced from TSI, TSN, and local markets, TSUK is on track to achieve breakeven by Q4FY26. The Rs115 bn cost transformation initiatives across three locations remain on schedule, and TSI's EBITDA is expected to surpass Rs15k/t over the next two years, assuming stable pricing. TSN redundancies, however, are still in the informal discussion phase, representing a potential risk of delays.
- Tata's downstream focus to drive margins: With the expected commissioning of KPO-II's 2.2mtpa CRM in Q2FY26, Tata's downstream capacity is set to reach ~12mtpa. Tiscon's double-digit volume growth, coupled with stable pricing (2.4mtpa in FY25), is expected to enhance Tata's Branded sales and Auto segment mix, supporting NSR expansion. Tata also plans to expand its tubes capacity from ~1.6mtpa to 4mtpa over the next few years, which should further strengthen its downstream portfolio. We factor in volumes of 23/24.8/25.9mtpa in FY26/27/28E, with EBITDA/t at Rs13.5k/15k/15k, reflecting potential margin improvement from the enhanced product mix and capacity expansion.
- Tata's iron ore self-sufficiency set to decline: With most of Tata's iron ore mines expected to be auctioned post-2030, iron ore costs are likely to rise, resulting in a significant decline in self-sufficiency as only a few mines remain. However, the ongoing cost transformation program is expected to mitigate these pressures over the long term. On the global front, iron ore prices are likely to remain subdued as Simandou supply ramps up from Nov'25, providing some relief to Indian steel producers.
- Net debt reduction amid moderate capex: Tata plans to reduce net debt by ~Rs100 bn over the next 18 months, supported by a relatively low capex profile in FY26. Over the next two years, capex is expected to total Rs140-150 bn, with the potential for an increase by FY28, reflecting planned growth and expansion initiatives.

Revenue YoY gr. (RHS) 56% 3500 60% 3000 50% 2500 40% 2000 30% 1500 20% 1000 10% 500 0% -10% FY21 FY22 FY23 FY24 FY25 FY26E FY27E FY28E

Exhibit 1: Revenue trend over FY21-28E with stable pricing assumptions

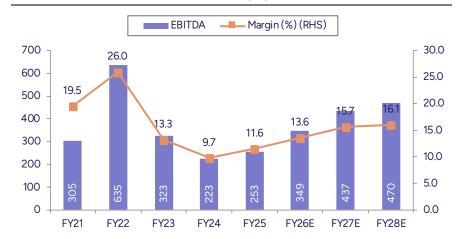
Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 2: Tata has highest gross margins aided by captive iron ore mines



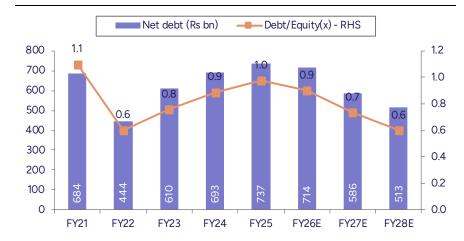
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Exhibit 3: Trend in EBITDA/t over FY19-25 (Rs)



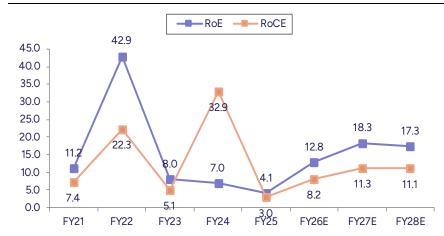
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Exhibit 4: Net debt to remain in check



Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 5: Return ratios to improve from lows from FY25



Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 6: Target price calculation

Figures in Rs bn	EV/EBITDA (Sep-27E)	EBITDA (Rs bn)	Value (Rs bn)
Indian operations	6.5	376	2,441
Other domestic	6.0	13	80
Tata steel Europe	6.0	58	347
SEAN operations	5.0	7	33
Total EV			2,902
Net debt			644
Equity value			2,257
Value per share			181

Source: PL

Exhibit 7: Benchmark HRC, ex-Mumbai (Rs/t)



Source: Industry, PL

Exhibit 9: Iron ore fines, CNF Rizhao, China (USD/t)



Source: Industry, PL

Exhibit 11: HRC FOB Rizhao, China (USD/t)



Source: Industry, PL

Exhibit 8: Coking coal FOB Australia (USD/t)



Source: Industry, PL

Exhibit 10: Spot spreads India came off on lower prices (Rs/t)



Source: Industry, PL

Exhibit 12: Chinese spreads have improved recently (USD/t)



Source: Industry, PL



Financials

Income Statement ((Rs bn))
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Income Statement (Rs bn)				
Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Net Revenues	2,185	2,563	2,786	2,926
YoY gr. (%)	(4.6)	17.3	8.7	5.0
Cost of Goods Sold	950	1,019	1,069	1,104
Gross Profit	1,235	1,544	1,717	1,823
Margin (%)	56.5	60.2	61.6	62.3
Employee Cost	249	275	292	306
Other Expenses	734	920	988	1,047
EBITDA	253	349	437	470
YoY gr. (%)	13.4	38.0	25.1	7.6
Margin (%)	11.6	13.6	15.7	16.1
Depreciation and Amortization	104	109	114	119
EBIT	149	240	323	351
Margin (%)	6.8	9.4	11.6	12.0
Net Interest	73	77	72	67
Other Income	15	12	14	-
Profit Before Tax	82	175	265	284
Margin (%)	3.8	6.8	9.5	9.7
Total Tax	52	57	73	81
Effective tax rate (%)	63.7	32.7	27.5	28.7
Profit after tax	30	118	192	203
Minority interest	(2)	(1)	-	(5)
Share Profit from Associate	2	2	2	3
Adjusted PAT	37	122	194	210
YoY gr. (%)	24.9	226.4	59.4	8.1
Margin (%)	1.7	4.8	7.0	7.2
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	(3)	(1)	-	-
Reported PAT	34	121	194	210
YoY gr. (%)	(177.1)	253.3	60.5	8.1
Margin (%)	1.6	4.7	7.0	7.2
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	34	121	194	210
Equity Shares O/s (bn)	12	12	12	12
EPS (Rs)	3.0	9.8	15.6	16.8

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs bn)

Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Non-Current Assets				
Gross Block	2,653	2,757	2,888	3,023
Tangibles	2,653	2,757	2,888	3,023
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Acc: Dep / Amortization	1,204	1,313	1,426	1,545
Tangibles	1,204	1,313	1,426	1,545
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Net fixed assets	1,450	1,444	1,462	1,477
Tangibles	1,450	1,444	1,462	1,477
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Capital Work In Progress	425	470	470	470
Goodwill	60	60	60	60
Non-Current Investments	75	77	80	82
Net Deferred tax assets	(105)	(107)	(109)	(112)
Other Non-Current Assets	61	61	61	61
Current Assets				
Investments	4	4	4	4
Inventories	446	541	588	657
Trade receivables	53	70	76	96
Cash & Bank Balance	116	139	207	220
Other Current Assets	46	46	46	46
Total Assets	2,794	2,969	3,111	3,231
Equity				
Equity Share Capital	12	12	12	12
Other Equity	899	975	1,119	1,274
Total Networth	912	988	1,132	1,286
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term borrowings	890	890	830	770
Provisions	58	58	58	58
Other non current liabilities	117	117	117	117
Current Liabilities				
ST Debt / Current of LT Debt	-	-	-	-
Trade payables	342	399	431	443
Other current liabilities	315	357	380	395
Total Equity & Liabilities	2,794	2,969	3,111	3,231

Source: Company Data, PL Research



	(Rs bn	

Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
PBT	84	176	265	284
Add. Depreciation	104	109	114	119
Add. Interest	73	77	72	67
Less Financial Other Income	15	12	14	-
Add. Other	(22)	(6)	(7)	-
Op. profit before WC changes	239	355	444	470
Net Changes-WC	22	(14)	2	(62)
Direct tax	(26)	(55)	(70)	(79)
Net cash from Op. activities	235	286	375	329
Capital expenditures	(144)	(149)	(132)	(134)
Interest / Dividend Income	5	6	7	-
Others	(3)	-	-	-
Net Cash from Invt. activities	(142)	(142)	(125)	(134)
Issue of share cap. / premium	-	-	-	-
Debt changes	53	-	(60)	(60)
Dividend paid	(45)	(45)	(50)	(55)
Interest paid	(81)	(77)	(72)	(67)
Others	3	-	-	-
Net cash from Fin. activities	(70)	(122)	(182)	(182)
Net change in cash	23	23	68	13
Free Cash Flow	78	138	243	195

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Quarterly Financials (Rs bn)

Y/e Mar	Q2FY25	Q3FY25	Q4FY25	Q1FY26
Net Revenue	539	536	562	532
YoY gr. (%)	(3.2)	(3.0)	(4.2)	(2.9)
Raw Material Expenses	239	239	247	206
Gross Profit	300	297	315	326
Margin (%)	55.6	55.4	56.1	61.3
EBITDA	57	45	66	74
YoY gr. (%)	34.5	(28.3)	(0.6)	11.0
Margin (%)	10.7	8.4	11.7	14.0
Depreciation / Depletion	26	26	27	27
EBIT	31	19	38	47
Margin (%)	5.8	3.6	6.8	8.8
Net Interest	20	18	18	19
Other Income	6	2	5	3
Profit before Tax	22	16	21	30
Margin (%)	4.1	3.0	3.8	5.6
Total Tax	14	14	10	11
Effective tax rate (%)	64.2	84.7	47.0	35.5
Profit after Tax	8	2	11	19
Minority interest	(1)	-	(1)	(1)
Share Profit from Associates	-	-	1	1
Adjusted PAT	7	1	15	22
YoY gr. (%)	44.6	(78.1)	91.9	98.6
Margin (%)	1.3	0.2	2.7	4.1
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	8	3	13	21
YoY gr. (%)	(113.5)	(36.4)	112.7	116.5
Margin (%)	1.5	0.6	2.3	3.9
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	8	3	13	21
Avg. Shares O/s (bn)	12	12	12	12
EPS (Rs)	0.6	0.1	1.2	1.7

Source: Company Data, PL Research

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Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Per Share(Rs)				
EPS	3.0	9.8	15.6	16.8
CEPS	11.3	18.5	24.7	26.4
BVPS	73.1	79.2	90.7	103.1
FCF	6.3	11.1	19.5	15.6
DPS	3.6	4.0	4.4	4.8
Return Ratio(%)				
RoCE	8.4	13.1	16.8	17.5
ROIC	3.3	9.5	13.7	14.0
RoE	4.1	12.8	18.3	17.3
Balance Sheet				
Net Debt : Equity (x)	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.4
Net Working Capital (Days)	26	30	31	39
Valuation(x)				
PER	56.0	17.2	10.8	10.0
P/B	2.3	2.1	1.8	1.6
P/CEPS	11.3	18.5	24.7	26.4
EV/EBITDA	11.3	8.1	6.2	5.6
EV/Sales	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.9
Dividend Yield (%)	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.9

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Key Operating Metrics

Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Sales volume India (mt)	21	23	25	26
Real./t - India (Rs)	61,808	63,532	64,091	65,966
EBITDA/t- India (Rs)	12,997	13,553	14,681	14,967
Sales volume TSE (mt)	9	10	10	10
Real./t-TSE (USD)	1,104	1,150	1,170	1,170
EBITDA/Tonne-TSE (USD)	(45)	24	60	70

Source: Company Data, PL Research





Analyst Coverage Universe

Sr. No.	Company Name	Rating	TP (Rs)	Share Price (Rs)
1	ACC	BUY	2,543	1,890
2	Adani Port & SEZ	BUY	1,777	1,358
3	Ambuja Cement	BUY	685	593
4	Dalmia Bharat	Accumulate	2,395	2,270
5	Hindalco Industries	Accumulate	762	667
6	Jindal Stainless	Hold	678	683
7	Jindal Steel	Accumulate	1,060	996
8	JSW Infrastructure	Accumulate	344	322
9	JSW Steel	Hold	1,064	1,100
10	National Aluminium Co.	BUY	228	187
11	NMDC	Accumulate	80	73
12	Nuvoco Vistas Corporation	Accumulate	422	390
13	Shree Cement	Hold	30,001	30,205
14	Steel Authority of India	Hold	133	126
15	Tata Steel	Accumulate	177	158
16	Ultratech Cement	Accumulate	13,634	12,561

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