Infosys | BUY

On firmer footing



INFO reported 2.6% cc QoQ revenue growth (organic: 2.2% cc), ahead of JMFe: 1.8%. Quality of revenue improved too, reflected in 60bps QoQ decline in third-party cost. Ramp-up of deals previously won and seasonality (higher working days) helped. Impressively, INFO improved realisations further, on top of 3.5% increase in FY25. Project Maximus and improved adoption of its enterprise AI platform explain that. Productivity improvement from enterprise AI platform is not only helping INFO drive non-linear revenue, but also improve win ratio in vendor consolidation scenarios. 44% QoQ increase in deal wins (USD 3.8bn), including a mega deal, offers evidence. Despite these, INFO narrowed its organic growth guidance from 0-3% to 0.6-2.6%. Prima-facie, this (cut at the upper-end) appears negative. We view it otherwise though. Strong 10 and a normal seasonality (1H>2H) means INFO's guidance is not based on 2H recovery hope. Symbolically too, a narrow range indicates higher confidence. Moreover, ours (and Street's) estimates were anyways not at the upperend. In fact, we now move our FY26E organic cc growth to 2.4%, closer to the (revised) upper-end. Marginal cut to margin estimates keep EPS largely unchanged. But improved confidence on numbers should drive re-rating. We retain BUY with INR 1,840 TP.

- 1QFY26 growth higher and better: INFO reported 2.6% cc QoQ rev growth versus JMFe/Cons. est. of 1.8%/1.5%. Acquisitions contributed 40bps. Among verticals, EURS (+9% QoQ USD), Communications (+7.1%) and Manufacturing (+5.8%) led the growth. This was driven likely by lower base and mega deal ramps. Third-party items declined 60bps QoQ, implying c.3.2% Services growth, a positive. EBIT margins contracted 20bps to 20.8%, missing estimates (JMFe: 21.4%). Wage hike (-100bps), FX (-30bps) and Sales investments (-20bps) were headwinds. These were offset by Project Maximus benefits (+70bps), lower amortisation (+40 bps) and lower third-party costs (+20bps). PAT came in at INR 69.2bn beating Cons. est. of INR 67.8bn (JMFe: INR 70.2bn).
- FY26 guidance narrowed: INFO revised its FY26 cc revenue growth guidance from 0-3% earlier to 1-3% now. Recent acquisitions - MRE and The Missing Link - will contribute c.40bps to this, implying organic guidance of 0.6-2.6%. 1-3% guidance translates into (0.4%)-1% CQGR through 2Q-4QFY26. Though weak, INFO's pronounced seasonality makes CQGR maths irrelevant, in our view. We take comfort in the fact that INFO has not built any macro improvement even at the upper end. Further, a still front-loaded growth cadence (whose visibility should be higher) makes even the upper end achievable. Improved deal wins – INFO won USD 3.8 bn of TCV, +44% QoQ, healthy pipeline and its improved win ratio in vendor consolidation scenarios offer further comfort. Margin guidance was retained at 20-22%. With wage hike behind and lower third-party item ahead, we see gradual improvement in margins from hereon.
- EPS largely unchanged; Retain BUY: We now build 2.4% organic cc growth for FY26E (vs. c.1.5% earlier). We maintain our FY26E margin assumptions despite 1Q miss as we now assume next wage hike in 1QFY27 (vs 4QFY26 earlier). Though an EPS neutral results, improved confidence on estimates should drive better multiples. BUY.

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Recommendation and Price Target	
Current Reco.	BUY
Previous Reco.	BUY
Current Price Target (12M)	1,840
Upside/(Downside)	16.9%
Previous Price Target	1,830
Change	0.5%

Key Data – INFO IN	
Current Market Price	INR1,575
Market cap (bn)	INR6,540.9/US\$75.7
Free Float	74%
Shares in issue (mn)	4,194.6
Diluted share (mn)	4,150.5
3-mon avg daily val (mn)	INR11,471.2/US\$132.7
52-week range	2,007/1,307
Sensex/Nifty	82,727/25,220
INR/US\$	86.4

Price Performance			
%	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	-0.6	-15.6	-14.3
Relative*	-1.4	-22.3	-17.0

* To the BSE Sensex

Financial Summary					(INR mn)
Y/E March	FY24A	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Net Sales	15,36,710	16,29,900	17,29,184	18,25,371	19,70,449
Sales Growth	4.7%	6.1%	6.1%	5.6%	7.9%
EBITDA	3,64,250	3,92,520	4,16,877	4,45,910	5,02,808
EBITDA Margin	23.7%	24.1%	24.1%	24.4%	25.5%
Adjusted Net Profit	2,42,680	2,67,130	2,88,464	3,07,331	3,44,673
Diluted EPS (INR)	58.6	64.4	69.5	74.0	83.0
Diluted EPS Growth	1.8%	9.9%	8.0%	6.5%	12.2%
ROIC	48.6%	50.4%	53.6%	55.7%	61.7%
ROE	29.7%	29.0%	30.2%	31.3%	33.5%
P/E (x)	26.9	24.5	22.7	21.3	19.0
P/B (x)	7.4	6.8	6.9	6.5	6.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	17.4	15.9	15.0	13.9	12.3
Dividend Yield	2.4%	2.7%	3.3%	3.8%	4.8%

Source: Company data, JM Financial, Note: Valuations as of 23/Jul/2025

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Key Highlights from the call

Demand: Revenue grew 2.6% QoQ in cc terms, with growth being broad-based across verticals and geographies, and 0.4% out of this grew due to acquisitions. Financial Services and Manufacturing posted strong YoY trends, though discretionary spending across Retail, High-tech, and Communication remained under pressure. Clients continued to engage in vendor consolidation, GCC setups, Al-transformation, and cost takeout initiatives, even as decision cycles stayed elongated. Despite cautious spending, leadership noted that the pipeline remains healthy, supported by traction in Enterprise Al and large deal activity.

- Outlook: Infosys revised its FY26 revenue growth guidance to 1-3% in cc terms (earlier: 0-3%), citing improved visibility for H1 but continued macro uncertainties including tariff overhangs and geopolitical tensions. Management noted that the guidance incorporates headwinds from lower third-party revenues and excludes recently announced acquisitions. Commentary suggests that H1 is likely to be stronger than H2 due to seasonality. Management indicated its readiness to re-assess guidance as the external environment evolves.
- Margin: Operating margin for Q1 stood at 20.8%, reflecting a sequential decline of 20bps. The drop was primarily driven by 100bps of headwinds from compensation increases and higher variable payouts, along with 30bps impact from currency movement and 20bps from incremental sales investments. These were partially offset by 70bps of benefits from improved realization (Project Maximus and seasonality), 40bps from lower amortization of intangibles, and 20bps from reduced third-party costs. Management reiterated margin guidance of 20–22% for FY26 and highlighted multiple levers pricing, third-party cost optimization, and Maximus offset by transition costs from large deals and ramp-up related pressures.
- Bookings: Infosys reported 28 large deals in Q1 FY26, aggregating to a TCV of USD 3.8bn, with 55% classified as net new. The quarter included multiple vendor consolidation wins totaling USD 1bn+, including a mega deal. They highlighted that wins were broad-based across verticals, with 9 deals in communications, 6 in EURS, 5 in manufacturing, and 4 in financial Services, and 2 each in high-tech and retail. Regionally, 20 deals came from the Americas, 6 from Europe, and 2 from the rest of the world. Management emphasized the robustness of the pipeline and cited strong client interest in cost optimization and AI-led transformation, despite prolonged decision cycles and cautious discretionary spend.
- Segments: Leadership reported that Financial Services witnessed strong traction in Q1, driven by transformation programs across capital markets, commercial banking, and wealth management, with Infosys positioned as a preferred AI partner for 10 of its top 20 FS clients. Manufacturing delivered strong YoY growth in cc terms, aided by large deal ramp-ups and client focus on cost takeout, supply chain redesign, and footprint rationalization. While EURS posted mixed trends amid economic uncertainty, deal pipelines remained robust across energy transition and cloud transformation themes. Retail and Communication continued to face headwinds from elongated decision cycles and muted discretionary spend, whereas High-tech remained subdued due to cost pressures and GenAI-related budget reallocations.
- Gen Al: Infosys noted continued momentum in Enterprise Al programs, underpinned by 300+ deployed Al agents across business and IT functions. Client engagements spanned areas such as supply chain optimization, contract automation, dynamic pricing, customer service, and developer productivity, delivering tangible efficiency gains. The company reiterated its leadership positioning and emphasized Al as a key driver for consolidation-led wins, revenue generation, and long-term differentiation.
- Wage hike: Leadership noted that wage hikes were fully rolled out in Q1 FY26, with the first phase implemented in January for junior and mid-level employees and the second phase effective April for the senior workforce. They highlighted that the impact of wage hikes along with higher variable payouts was absorbed during the quarter, contributing to a 100bps headwind on margins.

2.6% QoQ cc increase with 0.4% from acquisitions, and the remaining attributed to vendor consolidation and enterprise Al deals.

FY26 growth guidance – 1-3% in cc terms, operating margin guidance – 20-22%

Margin walk:

Headwinds – compensation increase and variable payouts (-100 bps), currency movement (-30bps), incremental sales investments (-20bps).

Tailwinds – Improved realisaiton/ project maximus (+70bps), lower amortization of intangibles (+40bps), lower third party costs (+20bps)

28 large deals won, 20 in US, 6 in Europe, and 2 in RoW, client's interested in consolidation and cost takeout deals

■ Supply: Infosys closed Q1 FY26 with a headcount of 323,788, reflecting a flattish trend QoQ as the company prioritized utilization and productivity levers. They highlighted that attrition inched up marginally to 14.4%, while utilization (excluding trainees) improved by 30bps QoQ to 85.2% and including trainees rose 80bps to 82.7%, indicating improved deployment efficiency.

Exhibit 1. 1QFY26 result summary									
	1026 4	4025.4	Change	Estimate	Variance	Estimate	Variance	Qot	Q estimate
	1Q26 A	4Q25 A	(QoQ)	(JMFe)	(vs. JMFe)	(Consensus)	(vs. consensus)	JMFe	Consensus
USD-INR	85.57	86.52	-1.1%	85.71	-0.2%	85.60	0.0%	-0.9%	-1.1%
CC Revenue Growth (QoQ)	2.6%	-3.5%		1.8%	-175bp	1.5%	-150bp	1.8%	1.5%
Revenue (USD mn)	4,941	4,730	4.5%	4,895	0.9%	4,888	1.1%	3.5%	3.3%
Revenue (INR mn)	422,790	409,250	3.3%	419,494	0.8%	418,406	1.0%	2.5%	2.2%
EBIT (INR mn)	88,030	85,750	2.7%	89,952	-2.1%	87,447	0.7%	4.9%	2.0%
EBIT margin	20.8%	21.0%	-13bp	21.4%	-62bp	20.9%	-8bp	49bp	-5bp
PAT (INR mn)	69,210	70,330	-1.6%	70,226	-1.4%	67,782	2.1%	-0.1%	-3.6%
EPS (INR)	16.70	16.98	-1.6%	16.95	-1.5%	16.4	2.1%	-0.1%	-3.6%

Source: Company, JM Financial estimates

Exhibit 2. Guidance Analysis: FY26 guidance of 1-3% implies (0.4%)-1.0% CQGR through 2Q-4QFY26

		FY26 reven	ue - implied	FY26 growth guidance	
	FY25A	Lower	Upper	Lower	Upper
Revenue (CC) USD Mn	19,277	19,470	19,855	1.0%	3.0%
Implied QoQ growth - Lower end	1Q26	2Q26E	3Q26E	4Q26E	FY26E
Revenue (CC) USD mn	4,893	4,876	4,859	4,842	19,470
Growth (q/q)	3.4%	-0.4%	-0.4%	-0.4%	1.0%
Implied QoQ growth - Upper end	1Q26	2Q26E	3Q26E	4Q26E	FY26E
Revenue (CC) USD mn	4,893	4,940	4,987	5,035	19,855
Growth (q/q)	3.4%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	3.0%

Note: YoY cc growth rate used to calculate 1Q26 cc revenue. Source: Company, JM Financial estimates

1QFY26 result review

Exhibit 3. Key financials (INR mn)	FY24	1Q25	2Q25	3Q25	4Q25	FY25	1Q26
Consolidated revenues (USDmn)	18,562	4,714	4.894	4,939	4,730		4,941
Change (YoY/QoQ)	1.9%	3.3%	3.8%	0.9%	-4.2%	3.9%	4.5%
Consolidated revenues (INR mn)	15,36,710	3,93,150	4,09,860	417,640	409,250	1,629,900	422,790
Change (YoY)	4.7%	3.6%	5.1%	7.6%	7.9%	6.1%	7.5%
Cost of revenue	10,27,360	2,60,280	2,73,080	279,170	272,760	1,085,180	280,840
Gross profit	5,09,350	1,32,870	1,36,780	138,470	136,490	544,720	141,950
Gross margin	33.1%	33.8%	33.4%	33.2%	33.4%	33.4%	33.6%
Total operating expenses	1,45,100	38,500	38,630	37,320	37,750	152,200	42,520
Operating profit (EBITDA)	3,64,250	94,370	98,150	101,150	98,740	392,520	99,430
Operating margin	23.7%	24.0%	23.9%	24.2%	24.1%	24.1%	23.5%
Depreciation & amortization	46,780	11,490	11,660	12,030	12,990	48,280	11,400
EBIT	3,17,470	82,880	86,490	89,120	85,750	344,240	88,030
EBIT margin	20.7%	21.1%	21.1%	21.3%	21.0%	21.1%	20.8%
Other income	27,780	8,380	7,120	8,590	11,900	35,990	10,420
Profit Before Tax	3,40,560	90,210	92,530	96,700	96,630	376,070	97,400
Income tax expense	97,790	26,470	27,370	28,480	26,250	108,570	28,160
Net income from operations	2,42,770	63,740	65,160	68,220	70,380	267,500	69,240
Share of minority interest	90	60	100	160	50	370	30
PAT (reported)	2,62,390	63,680	65,060	68,060	70,330	267,130	69,210
Change (YoY)	8.9%	7.1%	4.7%	11.3%	-11.7%	1.8%	8.7%
Adjusted Diluted EPS	63.3	15.3	15.7	16.4	16.8	64.1	16.6
Change (YoY/QoQ)	10.0%	6.3%	2.6%	4.6%	2.2%	9.7%	-1.3%

Source: Company, JM Financial

Exhibit 4. Comparison vs.	other Tier 1 peers	5			
YoY cc revenue growth	1QFY25	2QFY25	3QFY25	4QFY25	1QFY26
TCS	4.4%	5.5%	4.5%	4.2%	-3.1%
Infosys	2.5%	3.3%	6.1%	4.8%	3.8%
Wipro	-4.9%	-2.3%	-1.1%	1.2%	-2.3%
LTIM	3.7%	4.4%	5.6%	6.3%	4.4%
HCLtech	5.6%	6.2%	4.1%	2.9%	3.7%
TechM	-1.2%	2.2%	1.3%	0.3%	-1.0%
QoQ cc revenue growth	4QFY24	1QFY25	2QFY25	4QFY25	1QFY26
TCS	2.2%	1.1%	0.0%	-0.8%	-3.3%
Infosys	3.6%	3.1%	1.7%	-3.5%	2.6%
Wipro	-1.0%	0.6%	0.1%	-0.8%	-2.0%
LTIM	2.6%	2.3%	1.8%	-0.6%	0.8%
HCLtech	-1.6%	1.6%	3.8%	-0.8%	-0.8%
TechM	0.7%	0.7%	1.2%	-1.5%	-1.4%
EBIT margin	4QFY24	1QFY25	2QFY25	4QFY25	1QFY26
TCS	24.7%	24.1%	24.5%	24.2%	24.5%
Infosys	21.1%	21.1%	21.3%	21.0%	20.8%
Wipro	16.5%	16.8%	19.5%	17.5%	17.3%
LTIM	15.0%	15.5%	13.8%	13.8%	14.3%
HCltech	17.1%	18.6%	19.5%	18.0%	16.8%
TechM	8.5%	9.6%	10.2%	10.5%	11.1%

Note: *JM Financial estimates for Infosys in 1QFY26. Source: Company, JM Financial estimates

INFO reported 4.5% QoQ in USD terms, with a cross-currency benefit of 190bps QoQ

	1QFY25	2QFY25	3QFY25	4QFY25	1QFY26
Distribution					
Financial Services	27.5%	27.2%	27.8%	28.4%	27.9%
Retail and CPG	13.8%	13.3%	13.8%	13.3%	13.4%
Communications	12.1%	11.9%	11.2%	11.7%	12.0%
Energy, Utilities, Resources and Services	13.3%	13.5%	13.5%	13.0%	13.6%
Manufacturing	14.7%	15.7%	15.5%	15.9%	16.1%
Hi Tech	8.0%	8.0%	7.9%	8.3%	7.8%
Life Sciences	7.3%	7.3%	7.6%	6.8%	6.5%
Others	3.3%	3.1%	2.7%	2.6%	2.7%
Revenue (USDmn and QoQ growth)					
Financial Services	1,296	1,331	1,373	1,343	1,379
change YoY	-0.1%	2.6%	5.9%	11.5%	6.3%
Retail and CPG	651	651	682	629	662
change YoY	-2.8%	-9.2%	0.1%	-3.6%	1.8%
Communications	570	582	553	553	593
change YoY	5.6%	8.3%	4.1%	-1.4%	3.9%
Energy, Utilities, Resources and Services	627	661	667	615	672
change YoY	5.3%	10.3%	9.2%	0.5%	7.2%
Manufacturing	693	768	766	752	796
change YoY	6.4%	13.9%	10.2%	12.1%	14.8%
Hi Tech	377	392	390	393	385
change YoY	0.8%	6.4%	8.7%	-1.1%	2.2%
Life Sciences	344	357	375	322	321
change YoY	3.5%	-2.9%	5.9%	-3.5%	-6.7%
Others	156	152	133	123	133
change YoY	-0.9%	-2.6%	-1.4%	-7.1%	-14.2%

communications (+7.1% QoQ), EURS (+9.3%) and Manufacturing (+5.8%). This was counter-intuitive as these are the tariffs impacted sectors

Sequential growth was highest in

Source: Company, JM Financial

Exhibit 6. Geographic distribution					
	1QFY25	2QFY25	3QFY25	4QFY25	1QFY26
Distribution					
North America	58.9%	57.4%	58.4%	57.1%	56.5%
Europe	28.4%	29.8%	29.8%	31.2%	31.5%
India	3.1%	3.1%	3.1%	2.9%	2.9%
RoW	9.6%	9.7%	8.7%	8.8%	9.1%
Revenue (USDmn and QoQ growth)					
North America	2,777	2,809	2,884	2,701	2,792
Change YoY	-1.1%	-2.6%	4.8%	-0.7%	0.5%
Europe	1,339	1,458	1,472	1,476	1,556
Change YoY	8.2%	16.6%	11.9%	13.1%	16.3%
India	146	152	153	137	143
Change YoY	17.2%	14.8%	36.8%	36.6%	-1.9%
RoW	453	475	430	416	450
Change YoY	1.0%	4.8%	-11.4%	-5.0%	-0.6%

Source: Company, JM Financial

Exhibit 7. Large deal wins					
Period	1QFY25	2QFY25	3QFY25	4QFY25	1QFY26
Total large deals value (USDmn)	4,085	2,430	2,495	2,637	3,797
Net new	57.6%	41.0%	63.0%	63.4%	55.0%
Large deal TCV (USDmn) - Net new	2,353	996	1,572	1,672	2,088

Source: Company, JM Financial

INFO won 28 large deals in 1Q; Net new TCV saw a healthy 24% QoQ growth

Exhibit 8. Key client metrics					
	1QFY25	2QFY25	3QFY25	4QFY25	1QFY26
Client base					
Active clients	1,867	1,870	1,876	1,869	1,861
Clients attrition	102	83	95	98	101
Revenue per active client (USD mn)	2.52	2.62	2.63	2.53	2.66
Revenue concentration					
Top 5 clients	13.5%	13.7%	12.7%	13.1%	13.2%
Top 10 clients	20.9%	20.9%	19.9%	20.7%	20.8%
Non-Top10 clients	79.1%	79.1%	80.1%	79.3%	79.2%
Revenue growth					
Top-5 clients	2.5%	5.4%	-6.4%	-1.2%	5.3%
Top-6 to 10 clients	12.4%	1.0%	0.9%	1.1%	4.5%
Top-10 clients	5.8%	3.8%	-3.9%	-0.4%	5.0%
Non-top-10 clients	2.6%	3.8%	2.2%	-5.2%	4.3%
Relationship distribution					
USD 1mn+ Clients	987	985	997	998	1011
Change	47	34	53	39	24
USD 10mn+ Clients	309	307	301	309	317
Change	-3	-5	-7	-6	8
USD 50mn+ Clients	84	86	89	85	85
Change	5	6	7	2	1
USD 100mn+ Clients	40	41	41	39	41
Change	2	2	1	-1	1

Source: Company, JM Financial

Exhibit 9. Key manpower metrics					
	1QFY25	2QFY25	3QFY25	4QFY25	1QFY26
Manpower base					
Total (Infosys cons)	3,15,332	3,17,788	323,379	323,578	323,788
Cons IT services	2,78,432	2,80,388	285,979	286,178	286,388
BPO services	36,900	37,400	37,400	37,400	37,400
Net addition	-1,908	2,456	5,591	199	210
As % of opening base	-0.6%	0.8%	1.8%	0.1%	0.1%
Operating metrics					
Utilization - Including trainees	83.9%	84.3%	83.4%	81.9%	82.7%
Utilization - Excluding trainees	85.3%	85.9%	86.0%	84.9%	85.2%
Attrition (TTM) - Infosys cons	12.7%	12.9%	13.7%	14.1%	14.4%
Source: Company, JM Financial					

Exhibit 10. Expense Analysis					
Cost of sales	1QFY25	2QFY25	3QFY25	4QFY25	1QFY26
Employee benefit costs	47.9%	47.3%	46.3%	48.5%	48.4%
Depreciation and amortization	2.9%	2.8%	2.9%	3.2%	2.7%
Travelling costs	0.8%	0.7%	0.7%	0.9%	0.8%
Cost of software packages	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.5%	1.5%
Third party items bought for service delivery	7.3%	8.1%	9.6%	7.9%	7.3%
Cost of technical sub-contractors	8.1%	7.8%	7.9%	8.0%	8.3%
Communication costs	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
Repairs and maintenance	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Provision for post-sales client support	-0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	-0.6%	-0.4%
Other expenses	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%

69.1%

69.5%

69.7%

69.8%

69.1%

Source: Company, JM Financial

Total

Third-party items decreased by 60bps QoQ

Wage hikes were fully rolled out in 1QFY26. The quarter also saw variable pay-outs.

TP revised to INR 1,840; Maintain BUY

We now estimate 2.4% organic cc growth for INFO for FY26 vs. c.1.5% earlier, towards the upper end of guide. Acquisitions (MRE Consulting and The Missing Link) add c.50bps to our estimates. We have maintained our margin estimate despite slight miss in 1Q as we have pushed wage hike to 1QFY27 now. We estimate 21.3% margin in FY26E, within the guided band of 20-22%, and estimate 30bps/110 bps margin expansion over FY27/28E. These changes to our growth and margin assumptions drive 0.3%-2% increases to our EPS estimates for FY26-28E. We continue to value INFO at 24x (vs. 25x for TCS). The target price is revised higher from INR 1,830 to INR 1,840. Maintain BUY.

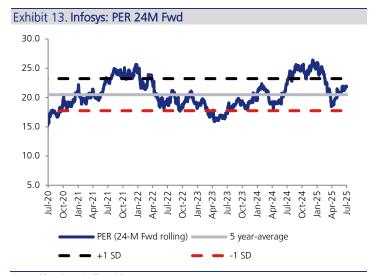
Exhibit 11. What has changed									
		Old			New			Change	
	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Exchange rate (INR/USD)	85.93	85.50	85.50	85.89	86.00	86.00	0.0%	0.6%	0.6%
Consolidated revenue (USD mn)	19,967	21,029	22,689	20,132	21,225	22,912	0.8%	0.9%	1.0%
YoY CC growth	2.0%	5.3%	7.9%	2.9%	5.4%	7.9%	94bp	12bp	5bp
Growth in USD revenues (YoY)	3.6%	5.3%	7.9%	4.4%	5.4%	7.9%	85bp	12bp	5bp
Consolidated revenue (INR mn)	1,715,719	1,797,952	1,939,913	1,729,184	1,825,371	1,970,449	0.8%	1.5%	1.6%
EBITDA margin	24.2%	24.7%	25.1%	24.1%	24.4%	25.5%	-9bp	-25bp	38bp
EBIT margin	21.3%	21.8%	22.3%	21.3%	21.6%	22.7%	8bp	-20bp	42bp
PAT (INR mn)	287,570	308,761	337,970	288,464	307,331	344,673	0.3%	-0.5%	2.0%
EPS (INR)	69.2	74.4	81.4	69.5	74.0	83.0	0.3%	-0.5%	2.0%

Source: JM Financial estimates

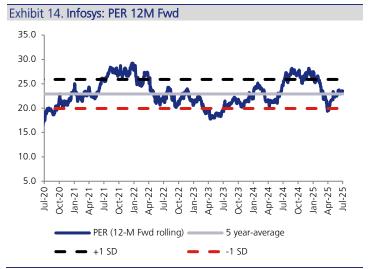
Exhibit 12. JMFe vs street estimates									
	Consensus estimates			JMFe		Difference			
	FY26F	FY27F	FY28F	FY26F	FY27F	FY28F	FY26F	FY27F	FY28F
Sales (USD mn)	19,842	21,205	22,795	20,132	21,225	22,912	1.5%	0.1%	0.5%
Sales (INR mn)	1,700,514	1,817,388	1,953,663	1,729,184	1,825,371	1,970,449	1.7%	0.4%	0.9%
EBITDA (INR mn)	410,975	442,215	473,140	416,877	445,910	502,808	1.4%	0.8%	6.3%
EBITDA margin	24.2%	24.3%	24.2%	24.1%	24.4%	25.5%	-6bp	10bp	130bp
EBIT (INR mn)	361,220	389,213	417,266	368,903	393,966	446,665	2.1%	1.2%	7.0%
EBIT margin	21.2%	21.4%	21.4%	21.3%	21.6%	22.7%	9bp	17bp	131bp
EPS (INR)	67.8	73.2	78.6	69.5	74.0	83.0	2.4%	1.1%	5.7%

Note: Consensus estimates as of 10° Jul and may not reflect changes in estimates post result. Source: Visible Alpha, JM Financial estimates

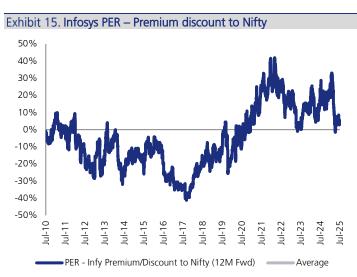
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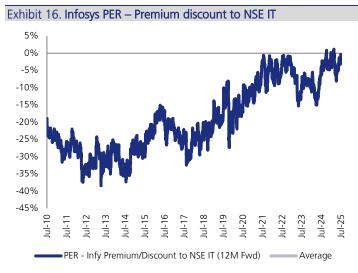
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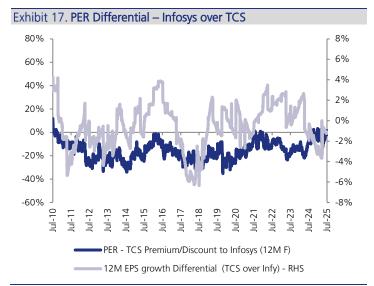
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Financial Tables (Consolidated)

Income Statement					(INR mn)
Y/E March	FY24A	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Net Sales	15,36,710	16,29,900	17,29,184	18,25,371	19,70,449
Sales Growth	4.7%	6.1%	6.1%	5.6%	7.9%
Other Operating Income	0	0	0	0	(
Total Revenue	15,36,710	16,29,900	17,29,184	18,25,371	19,70,449
Cost of Goods Sold/Op. Exp	10,27,360	10,85,180	11,44,638	12,08,731	12,94,92
Personnel Cost	0	0	0	0	(
Other Expenses	1,45,100	1,52,200	1,67,669	1,70,730	1,72,718
EBITDA	3,64,250	3,92,520	4,16,877	4,45,910	5,02,808
EBITDA Margin	23.7%	24.1%	24.1%	24.4%	25.5%
EBITDA Growth	3.7%	7.8%	6.2%	7.0%	12.8%
Depn. & Amort.	46,780	48,280	47,974	51,944	56,14
EBIT	3,17,470	3,44,240	3,68,903	3,93,966	4,46,66
Other Income	23,090	31,830	37,431	36,035	35,56
Finance Cost	0	0	0	0	(
PBT before Excep. & Forex	3,40,560	3,76,070	4,06,335	4,30,002	4,82,22
Excep. & Forex Inc./Loss(-)	0	0	0	0	(
PBT	3,40,560	3,76,070	4,06,335	4,30,002	4,82,22
Taxes	97,790	1,08,570	1,17,751	1,22,550	1,37,43
Extraordinary Inc./Loss(-)	19,710	0	0	0	(
Assoc. Profit/Min. Int.(-)	90	370	120	120	120
Reported Net Profit	2,62,390	2,67,130	2,88,464	3,07,331	3,44,67
Adjusted Net Profit	2,42,680	2,67,130	2,88,464	3,07,331	3,44,67
Net Margin	15.8%	16.4%	16.7%	16.8%	17.5%
Diluted Share Cap. (mn)	4,143.1	4,150.4	4,150.5	4,150.5	4,150.
Diluted EPS (INR)	58.6	64.4	69.5	74.0	83.0
Diluted EPS Growth	1.8%	9.9%	8.0%	6.5%	12.2%
Total Dividend + Tax	1,89,487	2,14,800	2,59,764	2,99,727	3,74,65
Dividend Per Share (INR)	37.8	42.9	52.0	60.0	75.0

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Balance Sheet					(INR mn)
Y/E March	FY24A	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Shareholders' Fund	8,81,160	9,58,180	9,53,307	10,12,000	10,45,875
Share Capital	20,710	20,730	20,740	20,740	20,740
Reserves & Surplus	8,60,450	9,37,450	9,32,567	9,91,260	10,25,135
Preference Share Capital	0	0	0	0	0
Minority Interest	3,450	3,850	4,000	4,000	4,000
Total Loans	0	0	0	0	0
Def. Tax Liab. / Assets (-)	13,400	6,140	4,810	4,810	4,810
Total - Equity & Liab.	8,98,010	9,68,170	9,62,117	10,20,810	10,54,685
Net Fixed Assets	2,15,180	2,56,720	2,65,988	2,72,736	2,51,936
Gross Fixed Assets	3,24,320	3,50,780	3,89,412	4,48,104	4,78,999
Intangible Assets	73,030	1,01,060	1,11,190	1,11,190	1,11,190
Less: Depn. & Amort.	1,82,170	1,95,120	2,34,614	2,86,557	3,38,252
Capital WIP	0	0	0	0	0
Investments	1,17,080	1,10,590	1,06,430	1,06,430	1,06,430
Current Assets	10,41,340	11,10,640	11,27,992	11,98,200	12,83,194
Inventories	0	0	0	0	0
Sundry Debtors	4,47,410	4,62,410	4,97,321	5,24,552	5,66,243
Cash & Bank Balances	2,77,010	3,69,370	3,55,551	3,93,724	4,24,347
Loans & Advances	0	0	0	0	0
Other Current Assets	3,16,920	2,78,860	2,75,120	2,79,923	2,92,603
Current Liab. & Prov.	4,75,590	5,09,780	5,38,293	5,56,556	5,86,876
Current Liabilities	1,27,210	1,22,920	1,19,270	1,19,270	1,17,837
Provisions & Others	3,48,380	3,86,860	4,19,023	4,37,286	4,69,039
Net Current Assets	5,65,750	6,00,860	5,89,699	6,41,643	6,96,318
Total – Assets	8,98,010	9,68,170	9,62,117	10,20,810	10,54,685

Source: Company, JM Financial

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Cash Flow Statement					(INR mn)
Y/E March	FY24A	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Profit before Tax	2,62,480	2,67,500	2,88,584	3,07,451	3,44,793
Depn. & Amort.	46,780	48,120	47,974	51,944	56,143
Net Interest Exp. / Inc. (-)	-11,380	-11,680	-39,571	-38,435	-38,762
Inc (-) / Dec in WCap.	-70,960	-6,050	-2,798	-13,771	-24,052
Others	1,26,050	1,25,990	1,21,951	1,26,750	1,41,635
Taxes Paid	-92,310	-56,020	-1,17,751	-1,22,550	-1,37,435
Operating Cash Flow	2,60,660	3,67,860	2,98,388	3,11,388	3,42,322
Capex	-22,010	-22,370	-57,242	-58,692	-35,343
Free Cash Flow	2,38,650	3,45,490	2,41,146	2,52,696	3,06,979
Inc (-) / Dec in Investments	-43,380	18,550	1,260	0	0
Others	6,740	-26,560	39,571	38,435	38,762
Investing Cash Flow	-58,650	-30,380	-16,410	-20,257	3,419
Inc / Dec (-) in Capital	50	60	0	0	0
Dividend + Tax thereon	-1,54,850	-2,02,870	-2,15,487	0	0
Inc / Dec (-) in Loans	-20,240	-23,570	-2,610	-4,320	-4,320
Others	0	0	0	0	0
Financing Cash Flow	-1,75,040	-2,26,380	-2,18,097	-4,320	-4,320
Inc / Dec (-) in Cash	26,970	1,11,100	63,881	2,86,812	3,41,421
Opening Cash Balance	1,20,890	1,48,680	2,44,550	3,08,431	5,95,243
Closing Cash Balance	1,47,860	2,59,780	3,08,431	5,95,243	9,36,664

Dupont Analysis					
Y/E March	FY24A	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Net Margin	15.8%	16.4%	16.7%	16.8%	17.5%
Asset Turnover (x)	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7
Leverage Factor (x)	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
RoE	29.7%	29.0%	30.2%	31.3%	33.5%

Key Ratios					
Y/E March	FY24A	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
BV/Share (INR)	211.6	230.5	229.6	243.8	252.0
ROIC	48.6%	50.4%	53.6%	55.7%	61.7%
ROE	29.7%	29.0%	30.2%	31.3%	33.5%
Net Debt/Equity (x)	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4
P/E (x)	26.9	24.5	22.7	21.3	19.0
P/B (x)	7.4	6.8	6.9	6.5	6.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	17.4	15.9	15.0	13.9	12.3
EV/Sales (x)	4.1	3.8	3.6	3.4	3.1
Debtor days	106	104	105	105	105
Inventory days	0	0	0	0	0
Creditor days	12	12	10	10	9

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History of Rec	ommendation and Ta	arget Price	
Date	Recommendation	Target Price	% Chg.
9-Dec-22	Hold	1,640	
12-Jan-23	Hold	1,590	-3.0
14-Apr-23	Hold	1,420	-10.7
7-Jun-23	Hold	1,360	-4.2
21-Jul-23	Hold	1,350	-0.7
13-Oct-23	Hold	1,350	0.0
12-Jan-24	Hold	1,490	10.4
19-Apr-24	Buy	1,570	5.4
19-Jul-24	Buy	2,010	28.0
18-Oct-24	Buy	2,150	7.0
17-Jan-25	Buy	2,200	2.3
18-Apr-25	Buy	1,740	-20.9



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