# Shriram Finance IBUY

## Steady quarter; strong growth momentum

Shiram Finance (SFL) reported a PAT of INR 19.8bn (+2% QoQ, +18% YoY) which was largely in line with our estimates, led by a) healthy AUM growth of (+3.8% QoQ, +21% YoY) at INR 2.33trn, b) steady NII of INR 53.5bn (+0.3% QoQ, +21% YoY) with NIMs at 8.8% (-23bps QoQ) and c) stable asset quality. AUM growth was driven by MSME loans (+9.8% QoQ, +44% YoY) followed by Farm Equipments (+7.2% QoQ, +17% YoY) and passenger vehicles (+6.4% QoQ, 27% YoY). Credits costs was stable at 2.1% of AUM (vs 2.3% QoQ, 1.9% YoY) as headline asset guality remained largely steady with GS3/NS3 at 5.39%/2.63% (-6bps QoQ, flat QoQ). The consistent improvement in asset quality in last 2 years provides further comfort on credit costs as SFL's PCR also remains sufficiently high at 51%. As mgmt plans to increase its MSME and gold presence across geographies, we believe it will aid in higher AUM growth and yields going forward. Shriram Housing reported a PAT of INR 483 mn (+6% YoY, -22% QoQ) and strong AUM growth of (+4.6% QoQ, +51% YoY). The company has entered into share purchase agreement to sell its stake in housing sub to Warburg Pincus which is expected to add INR 39bn to SFL's capital aiding in +80bps rise in CRAR of the company. We believe SFL remains well-placed on growth (non-VF portfolio offers healthy growth visibility) and given its high share of secured portfolio (96%), makes it attractively placed given concerns on unsecured loans. In addition, SFL also carries significant provisions cushion on its balance sheet (total ECL provisions at 6.3% of AUM) and thus minimizing earnings risk from inadvertent shocks. We maintain BUY with a revised TP of INR 3,460 (valuing at 1.8x FY26E BVPS in return for avg RoA/RoE of 3.7%/17.7% for FY25E/26E).

- Sustained growth momentum: AUM grew +3.8% QoQ/ +21% YoY to INR2.33trn driven by healthy disbursements of INR 377bn (+24% YoY,-4% QoQ). Growth in AUM was led by MSME loans (+9.8% QoQ, +44% YoY) followed by farm equipments (+16.5% QoQ, +7.2% YoY), passenger vehicles (+6.4% QoQ, 27% YoY), 2W (+2.8% QoQ, +29% YoY), CV (+2.6% QoQ,+14.4%YoY) and construction equipments (+0.5% QoQ, +17% YoY). Gold loans de-grew 2.8% QoQ due to <20k cash limit regulation, however, mgmt remains confident on increasing its gold book as they plan to add 150-200 GL branches per year and 175 MSME branches in next 2 years. This should aid in healthy loan growth from its small-ticket non-VF portfolio. We build in 19% AUM growth over FY24-26E.</p>
- Steady operational performance: SFL reported a NII of INR 53.5bn (+21% YoY, 0.3% QoQ) led by slight reduction in NIMs of 8.8% (-23bps QoQ). This was largely due to decline in incremental CoB to 8.8% from 9% QoQ while yields remained stable QoQ at ~18%. Opex was steady at INR 15.7bn (+16% YoY, +1.3% QoQ) leading to inline PPoP of INR 38.5bn (+23% YoY, -1.3% QoQ). Provisions stood at INR 11.6bn (Credit costs at 2.1% of total AUM vs 2.3% QoQ and 1.% YoY) which led to a PAT of INR 19.8bn (+18% YoY, +2% QoQ). Management believes that CoFs would remain steady from here amd are now in sync with incremental CoFs while shorter tenure high-yield products (gold, 2W and PL) would continue to aid strong margin performance going forward. Management remains confident on sustaining NIMs at ~9% for the year FY25E.

Financial Summary					(INR mn)
Y/E March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E
Net Profit	37,941	59,793	71,905	96,811	1,15,783
Net Profit (YoY) (%)	8.5%	57.6%	20.3%	34.6%	19.6%
Assets (YoY) (%)	11.1%	11.8%	16.5%	21.7%	14.5%
ROA (%)	2.2%	3.1%	3.3%	3.7%	3.7%
ROE (%)	13.5%	15.4%	15.7%	17.8%	17.7%
EPS	101.9	159.7	191.3	257.6	308.1
EPS (YoY) (%)	-26.3%	56.7%	19.8%	34.6%	19.6%
P/E (x)	28.7	18.3	15.3	11.4	9.5
BV	929	1,157	1,292	1,609	1,872
BV (YoY) (%)	9.0%	24.5%	11.7%	24.5%	16.4%
P/B∨ (x)	3.15	2.53	2.26	1.82	1.56

Source: Company data, JM Financial. Note: Valuations as of 26/Jul/2024

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Recommendation and Price Target				
Current Reco.	BUY			
Previous Reco.	BUY			
Current Price Target (12M)	3,460			
Upside/(Downside)	18.3%			
Previous Price Target	3,000			
Change	15.3%			

Key Data – SHFL IN	
Current Market Price	INR2,925
Market cap (bn)	INR1,099.6/US\$13.1
Free Float	68%
Shares in issue (mn)	375.8
Diluted share (mn)	
3-mon avg daily val (mn)	INR4,454.5/US\$53.2
52-week range	3,059/1,759
Sensex/Nifty	81,333/24,835
INR/US\$	83.7

Price Performance %	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	0.5	26.8	60.9
Relative*	-2.4	12.1	30.9

\* To the BSE Sensex

JM Financial Research is also available on: Bloomberg - JMFR <GO>, Thomson Publisher & Reuters, S&P Capital IQ, FactSet and Visible Alpha

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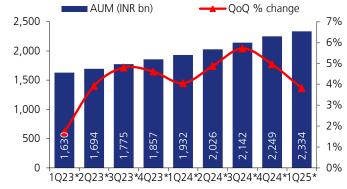
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- Improving asset quality metrics: Asset quality continues to improve sequentially with GS3/NS3 at 5.39%/2.63% (-6bps QoQ, flat QoQ). PCR on stage 3 assets remains healthy at 51%. Credit costs remained largely steady at 2.1% of AUM vs 2.3% QoQ of which write-offs amounted to ~INR 6bn (vs INR 8.1bn in Q4FY24). SFL also carries 3.5%+ provisions on stage 1 & 2 books which offers addition cushion on incremental credit costs if any. We build in an average credit cost of ~2% for FY25E/26E.
- Shriram Housing Finance Strong growth, seasonally weak: The subsidiary Shriram Housing reported steady headline parameters with PAT at INR 483mn (+6% YoY,-22% QoQ) largely due to Q1 being seasonally weak quarter for housing segment. The drag was largely due to higher credit costs of INR 170mn (12bps of AUM vs 10bps YoY). NII grew (+41% YoY, +25% QoQ) while opex grew (+51% YoY, +13% QoQ) which led PPoP to grow (+16% YoY, -7.3% QoQ). AUM growth was strong at INR 144bn (+4.6% QoQ, +51% YoY) which was led by HL (+6.1% QoQ, +45% YoY) followed by LAP (+3.3% QoQ, +64% YoY) and top up loans (+2.8% QoQ, +53% YoY). GS3/NS3 moved up +22bps QoQ, +14bps QoQ at 1.26%/0.94% while PCR remains healthy at 25%.
- Valuation and view: We believe SFL remains well-placed on growth (non-VF portfolio offers healthy growth visibility) and given its high share of secured portfolio (96%), makes it attractively placed given concerns on unsecured loans. In addition, SFL also carries significant provisions cushion on its balance sheet (total ECL provisions at 6.3% of AUM) and thus minimizing earnings risk from inadvertent shocks. We maintain BUY with a revised TP of INR 3,460 (valuing at 1.8x FY26E BVPS in return for avg RoA/RoE of 3.7%/17.7% for FY25E/26E).

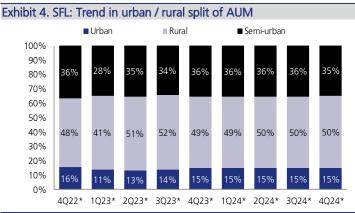
# Shriram Finance – 1QFY25 Quarterly Performance

Exhibit 1	1QFY25 – key financial highlights
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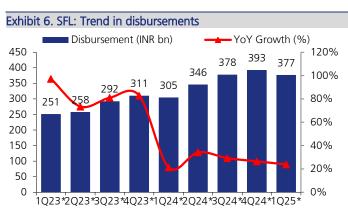
Earnings Table (INR mn)	1Q'24	4Q'24	1'Q25	YoY (%)	QoQ (%)
Net Interest Income	79,567	93,714	95,210	19.7%	1.6%
Total Income	35,180	40,354	41,665	18.4%	3.3%
Total Operating Expenses	44,387	53,361	53,545	20.6%	0.3%
Operating Profit (PPP)	493	1,236	741	50.4%	-40.1%
Provisions & write offs	44,879	54,597	54,286	21.0%	-0.6%
PAT (Pre-Extraordinaries)	13,617	15,541	15,744	15.6%	1.3%
Reported Profit	31,262	39,056	38,541	23.3%	-1.3%
(INR bn)					
Assets Under Management	1,932	2,249	2,334	20.8%	3.8%
Disbursements	305	393	377	23.8%	-4.0%
Ratios Analysis (%)					
Cost to Income (%)	30.3%	28.5%	29.0%	-1.34%	0.54%
Effective Tax Rate (%)	25.5%	26.4%	25.7%	0.27%	-0.68%
Credit Quality					
Gross S3 (INR mn)	115,089	120,812	124,078	7.8%	2.7%
Net S3 (INR mn)	54,613	58,244	60,618	11.0%	4.1%
Gross S3 (%)	6.03%	5.45%	5.39%	-0.6%	-0.1%
Net S3 (%)	2.96%	2.63%	2.63%	-0.3%	0.0%
Coverage ratio (%)	52.5%	51.8%	51.1%	-1.4%	-0.6%
Capital Adequacy (%)					
Tier I (%)	21.3%	19.6%	19.5%	-1.80%	-0.08%
CAR (%)	22.4%	20.3%	20.3%	-2.11%	-0.01%



Source: Company, JM Financial, \* numbers for merged entity (SFL+ SCUF)

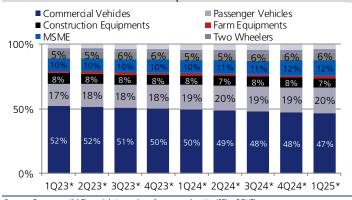


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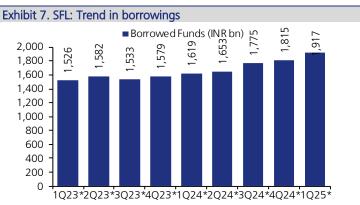
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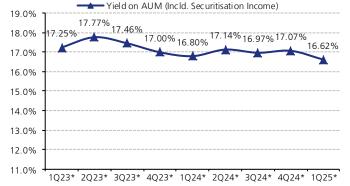






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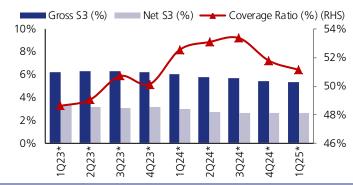
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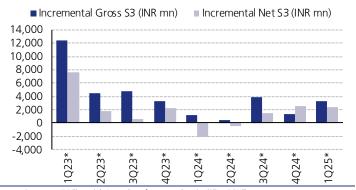
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### Exhibit 10. SFL: Trend in asset quality



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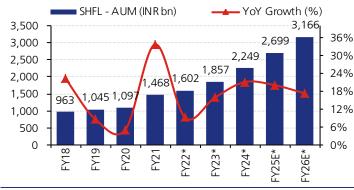
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# SFL – Annual trends

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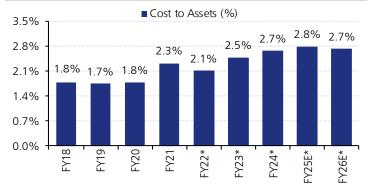
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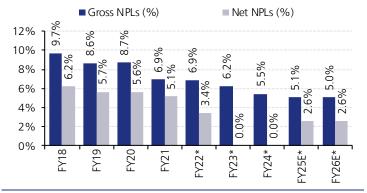
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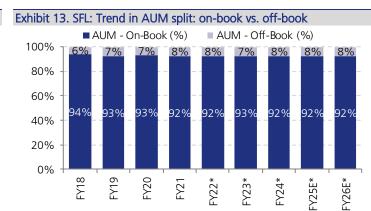


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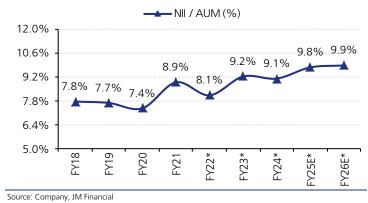


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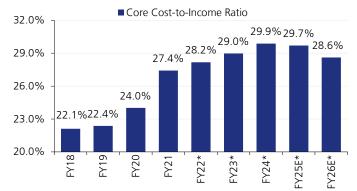


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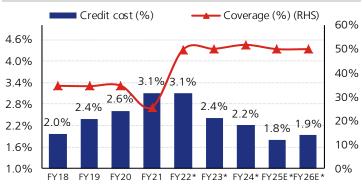


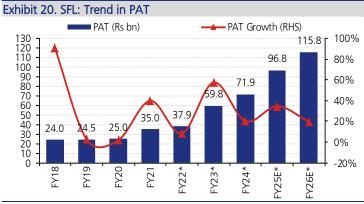
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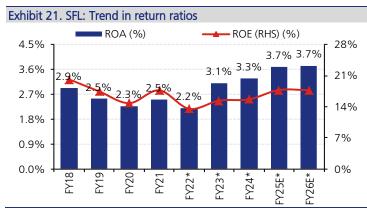


Source: Company, JM Financial

#### Exhibit 19. SFL: Trend in credit costs







Source: Company, JM Financial

# Financial Tables (Standalone)

Income Statement				(	(INR mn)
Y/E March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E
Net Interest Income (NII)	1,24,706	1,59,527	1,86,776	2,41,262	2,89,311
Non Interest Income	9,441	11,955	13,980	5,502	5,878
Total Income	1,34,148	1,71,482	2,00,756	2,46,764	2,95,189
Operating Expenses	36,558	48,042	58,736	73,281	84,412
Pre-provisioning Profits	97,590	1,23,441	1,42,020	1,73,483	2,10,778
Loan-Loss Provisions	47,507	41,596	45,235	44,402	56,400
Others Provisions	-22	-4	-51	0	0
Total Provisions	47,485	41,592	45,183	44,402	56,400
PBT	50,105	81,849	96,836	1,29,081	1,54,377
Tax	12,164	22,056	24,932	32,270	38,594
PAT (Pre-Extra ordinaries)	37,941	59,793	71,905	96,811	1,15,783
Extra ordinaries (Net of Tax)	0	0	0	0	0
Reported Profits	37,941	59,793	71,905	96,811	1,15,783
Dividend	9,459	13,105	16,911	16,911	16,911
Retained Profits	28,483	46,688	54,994	79,900	98,872

Source: Company, JM Financial

Balance Sheet					(INR mn)
Y/E March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E
Equity Capital	3,722	3,744	3,758	3,758	3,758
Reserves & Surplus	3,41,931	4,29,322	4,81,926	6,00,826	6,99,699
Stock option outstanding	0	0	0	0	0
Borrowed Funds	14,51,285	15,79,063	18,58,411	22,48,678	25,63,493
Deferred tax liabilities	0	0	0	0	0
Preference Shares	24,799	24,509	28,665	34,891	39,950
Current Liabilities & Provisions	0	0	0	0	0
Total Liabilities	18,21,737	20,36,639	23,72,760	28,88,153	33,06,899
Net Advances	14,76,890	17,19,846	20,79,294	24,96,689	29,28,716
Investments	86,454	85,651	1,06,566	1,24,834	1,46,436
Cash & Bank Balances	1,27,503	99,929	60,134	1,11,205	52,717
Loans and Advances	371	2,771	3,846	4,618	5,417
Other Current Assets	64,379	18,830	13,213	14,958	16,364
Fixed Assets	4,841	33,928	32,874	40,015	45,816
Miscellaneous Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0
Deferred Tax Assets	10,210	17,439	28,840	35,105	40,195
Total Assets	18,21,737	20,36,639	23,72,760	28,88,153	33,06,899

Source: Company, JM Financial

Key Ratios					
Y/E March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E
Growth (YoY) (%)					
Borrowed funds	10.1%	8.8%	17.7%	21.0%	14.0%
Advances	8.8%	16.5%	20.9%	20.1%	17.3%
Total Assets	11.1%	11.8%	16.5%	21.7%	14.5%
NII	9.4%	27.9%	17.1%	29.2%	19.9%
Non-interest Income	99.4%	26.6%	16.9%	-60.6%	6.8%
Operating Expenses	13.1%	31.4%	22.3%	24.8%	15.2%
Operating Profits	13.0%	26.5%	15.1%	22.2%	21.5%
Core Operating profit	8.9%	26.4%	17.0%	25.9%	21.4%
Provisions	19.6%	-12.4%	8.6%	-1.7%	27.0%
Reported PAT	8.5%	57.6%	20.3%	34.6%	19.6%
Yields / Margins (%)					
Interest Spread	5.85%	7.08%	7.08%	7.73%	7.89%
NIM	7.43%	8.60%	8.76%	9.47%	9.64%
Profitability (%)					
ROA	2.19%	3.10%	3.26%	3.68%	3.74%
ROE	13.5%	15.4%	15.7%	17.8%	17.7%
Cost to Income	27.3%	28.0%	29.3%	29.7%	28.6%
Asset quality (%)					
Gross NPA	7.17%	6.41%	5.64%	5.05%	5.05%
LLP	4.63%	1.18%	2.15%	2.65%	2.66%
Capital Adequacy (%)					
Tier I	20.70%	21.20%	19.55%	20.89%	21.77%
CAR	22.97%	22.61%	20.30%	21.51%	22.30%

Dupont Analysis					
Y/E March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E
NII / Assets	7.21%	8.27%	8.47%	9.17%	9.34%
Other Income / Assets	0.55%	0.62%	0.63%	0.21%	0.19%
Total Income / Assets	7.75%	8.89%	9.11%	9.38%	9.53%
Cost / Assets	2.11%	2.49%	2.66%	2.79%	2.73%
PPP / Assets	5.64%	6.40%	6.44%	6.60%	6.80%
Provisions / Assets	2.74%	2.16%	2.05%	1.69%	1.82%
PBT / Assets	2.90%	4.24%	4.39%	4.91%	4.98%
Tax rate	24.3%	26.9%	25.7%	25.0%	25.0%
ROA	2.19%	3.10%	3.26%	3.68%	3.74%
Leverage	5.3	4.7	4.9	4.8	4.7
ROE	13.5%	15.4%	15.7%	17.8%	17.7%
Source: Company, JM Fina	ncial				

Valuations					
Y/E March	FY22A	FY23A	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E
Shares in Issue	372.2	374.4	375.8	375.8	375.8
EPS (INR)	101.9	159.7	191.3	257.6	308.1
EPS (YoY) (%)	-26.3%	56.7%	19.8%	34.6%	19.6%
P/E (x)	28.7	18.3	15.3	11.4	9.5
BV (INR)	929	1,157	1,292	1,609	1,872
BV (YoY) (%)	9.0%	24.5%	11.7%	24.5%	16.4%
P/BV (x)	3.15	2.53	2.26	1.82	1.56
DPS (INR)	25.4	35.0	45.0	45.0	45.0
Div. yield (%)	0.9%	1.2%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%

Source: Company, JM Financial

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History of Recommendation and Target Price					
Date	Recommendation	Target Price	% Chg.		
11-Jun-20	Buy	810			
13-Aug-20	Buy	840	3.7		
17-Sep-20	Buy	840	0.0		
30-Oct-20	Buy	840	0.0		
29-Jan-21	Buy	1,400	66.7		
30-Apr-21	Buy	1,465	4.6		
3-Jun-21	Buy	1,750	19.5		
1-Aug-21	Buy	1,670	-4.6		
31-Oct-21	Buy	1,670	0.0		
25-Jan-22	Buy	1,670	0.0		
29-Apr-22	Buy	1,630	-2.4		
29-Jul-22	Buy	1,630	0.0		
22-Oct-22	Buy	1,630	0.0		
1-Feb-23	Buy	1,900	16.6		
18-Apr-23	Buy	1,900	0.0		
28-Apr-23	Buy	1,875	-1.3		
28-Jul-23	Buy	2,130	13.6		
26-Oct-23	Buy	2,130	0.0		
28-Jan-24	Buy	2,680	25.8		
28-Apr-24	Buy	3,000	11.9		



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Buy	Total expected returns of more than 10% for stocks with market capitalisation in excess of INR 200 billion and REITs* and more than 15% for all other stocks, over the next twelve months. Total expected return includes dividend yields.
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