

Aadhar reported a steady 1QFY27 performance, with PAT up 19% yoy to Rs2.82bn, aided by stable margins and ~18% AUM growth. Spread remained resilient at 5.8% and yields were steady at 13.5% despite industry-wide competitive pricing pressures. Aadhar's approach to protect yields relies on a calibrated urban emerging market strategy, pivoting toward emerging markets that offer ~14.0-14.8% yields vs mature urban yields of ~11.5-12.0%. Overall asset quality metrics were stable (some seasonality impact), with GS3 at 1.32% and early-stage bounce rates holding steady (1+ DPD at ~7%). However, the sole near-term drag was a seasonally elevated 1Q credit cost at ~41bps. The management remained confident of delivering ~20% AUM and PAT growth for FY27, while expecting full-year disbursements to grow 17-18% (targeting an accelerated 23-24% in 2Q) and full-year credit costs to normalize downward to a guided 23-25bps. Factoring in the 1Q performance, margin outlook, and tightly controlled BT-out rate of 5%, the company appears well-positioned to deliver on its FY27 and medium-term guidance for growth and profitability. We maintain BUY and Jun-27E TP of Rs600, implying an FY28E PBV of 2.5x.

Spreads remained resilient, while credit cost stayed seasonally elevated

Aadhar reported 1QFY27 comparable disbursements of Rs23.59bn, up 19% yoy (reported at Rs20.36bn, following a transition to cheque realization accounting), while PAT grew 19% yoy to Rs2.82bn. AUM stood at Rs313.64bn, registering 18% yoy growth. The portfolio spread remained resilient at 5.8%, with COF at 7.7% and annualized portfolio yield at 13.5% (with incremental borrowing costs at 7.3%). ROA remained strong at 4.0%, while ROE stood at 14.7%. Operating expenses were slightly elevated due to a Rs140mn one-off ESOP provision, and credit costs were the only near-term drag (~41bps), remaining seasonally elevated for the quarter. Overall asset quality was steady, with GS3 at 1.32% and PCR at 34.1%.

Strategic execution to support growth and profitability

The management remains confident about achieving ~20% AUM and PAT growth in FY27, supported by a 17-18% full-year disbursement growth target (~40-50 branch additions), with growth in the remaining quarters expected to accelerate past 20%. To offset intense urban pricing competition, Aadhar is effectively executing its urban emerging market strategy, capturing higher yields in emerging markets to firmly sustain portfolio spreads at 5.5% or above. These strategic shifts are reinforced by a newly deployed six-layer AI architecture designed to boost operational productivity, which is expected to continuously improve the cost-to-income ratio by 30-40bps and cost-to-AUM ratio by 6-7bps annually. With full-year credit costs guided to normalize at 23-25bps and GNPA targeted to improve to ~1.1% by year-end, the company is on track to deliver resilient asset quality and achieve its medium-term targets of ~4.3-4.4% ROA and ~17% ROE.

Estimates largely unchanged; maintain BUY

Considering the 1QFY27 performance and management commentary, we retain our estimates and maintain BUY with an unchanged Jun-27E TP of Rs600, implying FY28E PBV of 2.5x.

Target Price – 12M	Jun-27
Change in TP (%)	-
Current Reco.	BUY
Previous Reco.	BUY
Upside/(Downside) (%)	20.7

Stock Data	AADHARHF IN
52-week High (Rs)	563
52-week Low (Rs)	425
Shares outstanding (mn)	437.3
Market-cap (Rs bn)	217
Market-cap (USD mn)	2,277
Net-debt, FY27E (Rs mn)	NA
ADTV-3M (mn shares)	0.5
ADTV-3M (Rs mn)	308.9
ADTV-3M (USD mn)	3.2
Free float (%)	0.0
Nifty-50	24,383.6
INR/USD	95.4

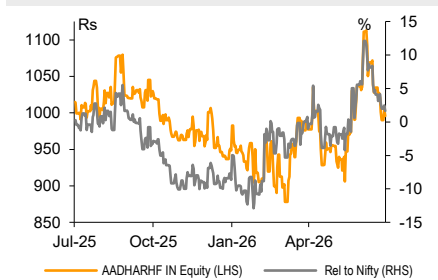
Shareholding, Jun-26

Promoters (%)	64.7
FPIs/MFs (%)	5.8/9.9

Price Performance

(%)	1M	3M	12M
Absolute	(3.7)	1.7	(2.0)
Rel. to Nifty	(5.7)	0.0	(0.5)

1-Year share price trend (Rs)



Aadhar Housing Finance: Financial Snapshot (Standalone)

Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY25	FY26	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
Net profits	9,121	10,955	13,017	15,729	18,796
AUM growth (%)	20.9	19.7	20.0	20.0	19.0
NII growth (%)	21.9	20.2	20.7	19.1	18.1
NIMs (%)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.6
PPOP growth (%)	23.0	19.7	20.5	20.4	19.3
Adj. EPS (Rs)	22.1	25.3	29.9	36.1	43.1
Adj. EPS growth (%)	16.5	14.4	18.2	20.8	19.5
Adj. BV (INR)	154.2	173.9	203.0	239.1	282.2
Adj. BVPS growth (%)	36.9	12.8	16.7	17.8	18.0
RoA (%)	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.4
RoE (%)	16.9	15.8	15.9	16.3	16.6
P/E (x)	22.5	19.7	16.6	13.8	11.5
P/ABV (x)	3.2	2.9	2.4	2.1	1.8

Source: Company, Emkay Research

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Exhibit 1: Quarterly earnings snapshot

(Rs mn)	1QFY26	2QFY26	3QFY26	4QFY26	1QFY27	yoy	qoq
Interest income	7,601	7,994	8,330	8,515	8,866	16.6%	4.1%
Interest expenses	3,319	3,416	3,475	3,433	3,764	13.4%	9.6%
Net interest income	4,282	4,578	4,855	5,081	5,103	19.2%	0.4%
Other income	912	998	1,107	1,409	1,104	21.1%	-21.6%
Total income	5,193	5,576	5,962	6,490	6,207	19.5%	-4.4%
Operating expenses	1,873	2,018	2,189	2,409	2,255	20.3%	-6.4%
Operating profit	3,320	3,558	3,773	4,082	3,952	19.0%	-3.2%
Provisions	267	132	175	102	317	18.5%	211.4%
Credit cost (on avg AUM)	0.41%	0.19%	0.25%	0.14%	0.41%	0bps	27bps
PBT	3,053	3,427	3,598	3,980	3,636	19.1%	-8.6%
Tax	680	763	786	873	813	19.5%	-7.0%
Reported PAT	2,373	2,664	2,812	3,107	2,823	19.0%	-9.1%
AUM	265,241	275,537	287,900	305,713	313,640	18.2%	2.6%
Disbursements	19,786	21,104	23,801	30,866	20,358	2.9%	-34.0%
GS3	1.39%	1.47%	1.42%	1.09%	1.32%	-7bps	22bps
NS3	0.94%	0.97%	0.97%	0.71%	0.87%	-7bps	16bps
PCR	32.46%	34.28%	32.36%	35.70%	34.11%	165bps	-159bps
ROA (reported)	4.40%	4.40%	4.60%	4.80%	4.00%	-40bps	-80bps
ROE (reported)	14.70%	15.70%	16.50%	17.10%	14.70%	0bps	-240bps

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Exhibit 2: Valuation metrics

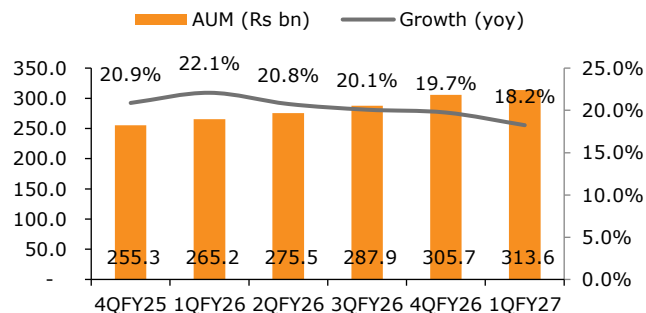
			PBV (x)			PER (x)			ROA (%)			ROE (%)			Book Value (Rs/sh)			EPS (Rs)		
	Price (Rs)	Upside	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
At CMP	497	21%	2.45	2.1	1.8	16.6	13.8	11.5	4.35	4.41	4.40	15.9	16.3	16.6	203.0	239.1	282.2	29.9	36.1	43.1
AT TP	600		3.0	2.5	2.1	20.1	16.6	13.9												

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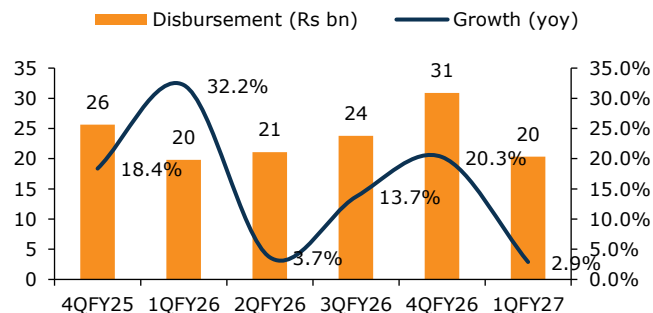
Results in charts

Exhibit 3: Growth in coming quarters to be much stronger



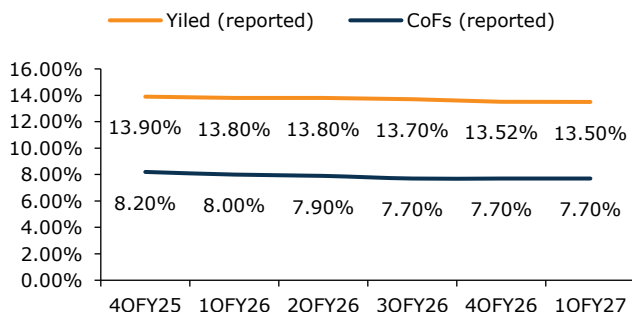
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Exhibit 4: Disbursement growth impacted due to change in disbursement recognition method



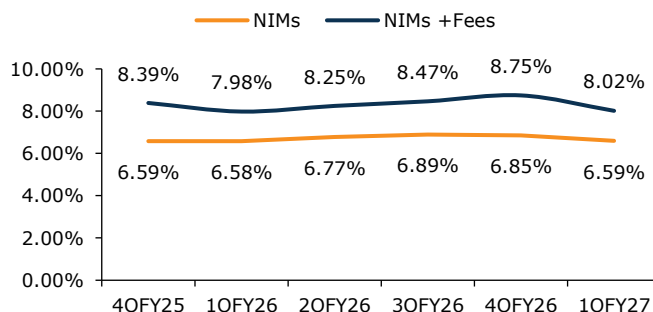
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Exhibit 5: Yield and COFs remain stable sequentially



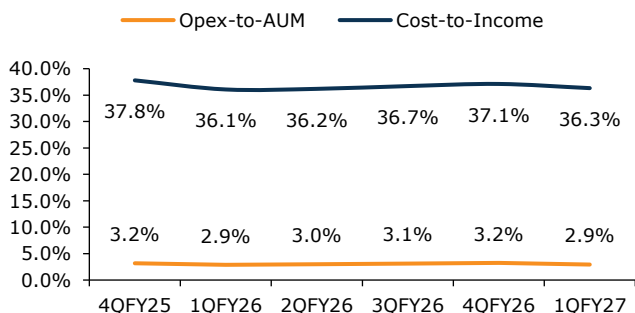
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Exhibit 6: Change in recognition in disbursement slightly impacted fee income



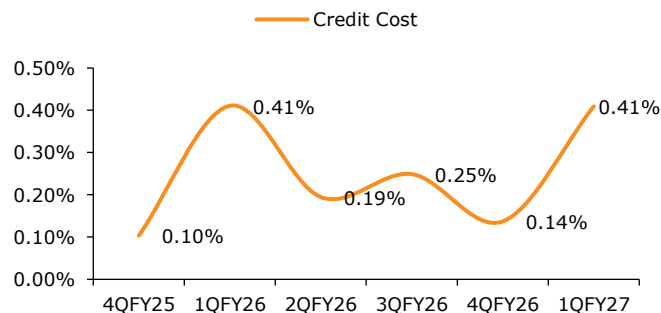
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Exhibit 7: Opex ratio remained range-bound



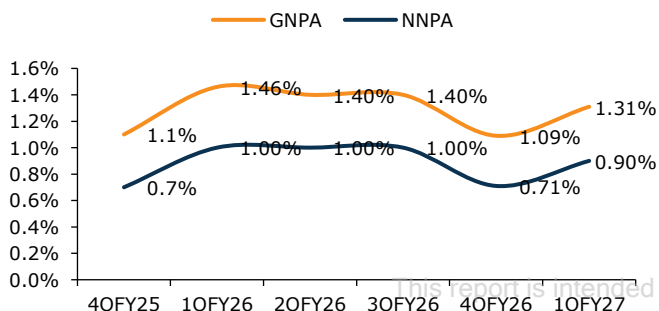
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Exhibit 8: Elevated credit cost on account of seasonality



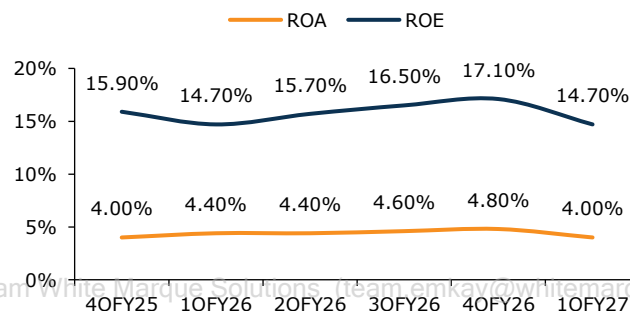
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Exhibit 9: Asset quality stable



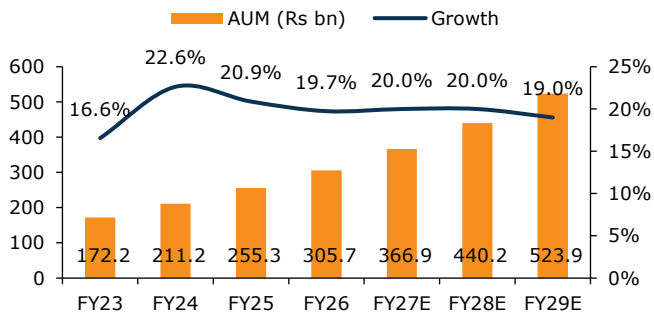
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Exhibit 10: Profitability impacted due to elevated credit cost

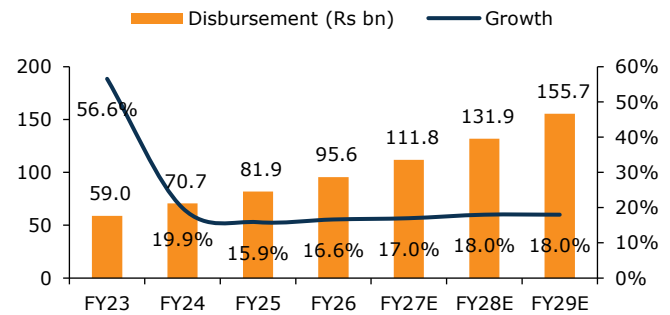


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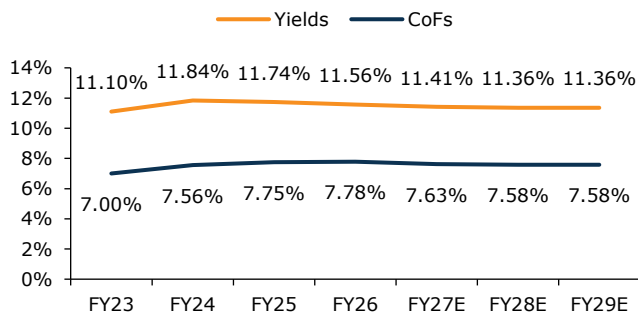
Story in charts

Exhibit 11: AUM CAGR expected at ~20% over FY26-29E


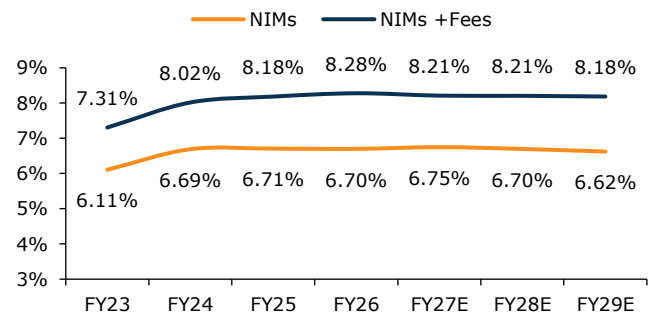
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Exhibit 12: Stable disbursement growth


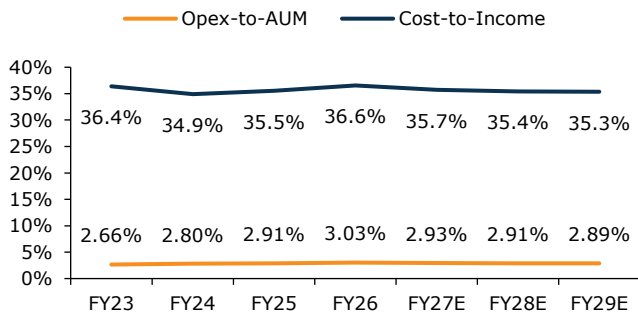
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Exhibit 13: COF to moderate owing to potential rating upgrade


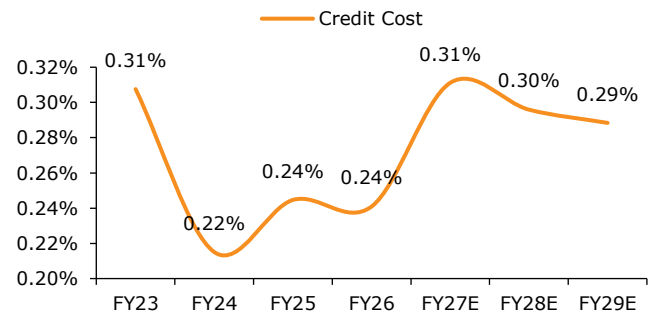
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Exhibit 14: Margins to be stable on account of changing mix and moderating COF


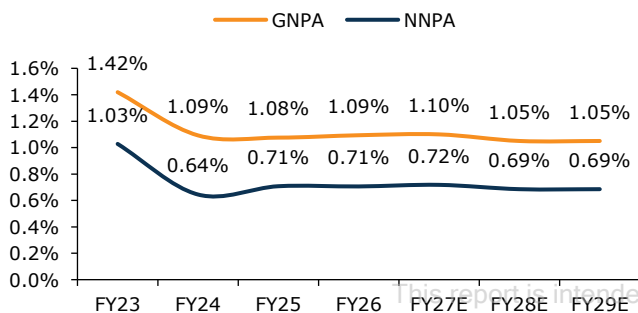
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Exhibit 15: Higher efficiency resulting in opex moderation


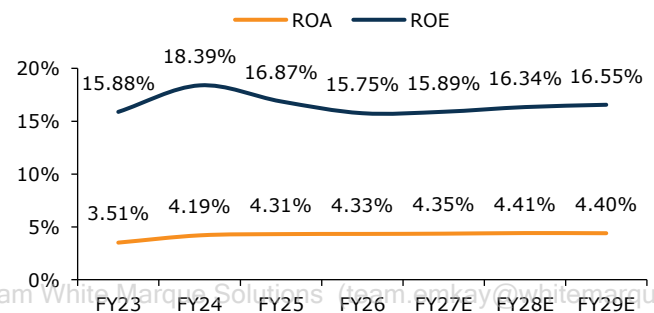
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Exhibit 16: Management guided for credit cost of ~23-25bps


Source: Company, Emkay Research

Exhibit 17: Asset quality to remain robust


Source: Company, Emkay Research

Exhibit 18: Margin expansion led by stable asset quality and improving efficiency


Source: Company, Emkay Research

Earnings call highlights

- The company reported a steady 1QFY27, with AUM growing 18% yoy to Rs313.64bn. The company transitioned its disbursement reporting to a cheque clearance basis, reporting 1Q disbursements of Rs20.36bn. On a comparable cheque handover basis, disbursements stood at Rs23.59bn, implying a robust 19% yoy growth. PAT stood at Rs2.82bn, up 19% yoy.
- The company does not see any material demand-side issue, with urban demand slightly better than expected, while the company remains focused on healthy growth in emerging markets to sustain yields.
- Spreads remained highly resilient, with the exit spread for 1Q landing at 5.8%. The portfolio exit yield stood at 13.5%. To protect yields amid competitive pressures, the management is heavily executing an urban-emerging market strategy. Emerging markets yield ~14.0-14.8%, compared to urban yields of ~11.5-12.0%, and the company is calibrating growth across both to maintain margins without aggressively raising ticket sizes, which currently average a granular Rs1.1mn.
- Total borrowings stood at Rs200bn, up 19% yoy, with the exit COF improving to 7.7% in Jun-26 vs 8.0% a year ago. Incremental borrowings for the quarter were Rs22.38bn at 7.3%, aided by fresh NHB borrowings of Rs7.46bn at 6.9% and AHF borrowing of Rs1.49bn at 4.3%. Excluding NHB borrowings, the incremental borrowing cost would be ~7.4-7.45%. With 73% of assets on floating rates, the company maintains the structural ability to pass on interest rate hikes to customers if required, following model-based assessments. Liquidity was maintained comfortably at ~7-8% of total borrowings during the quarter.
- In terms of fixed and floating nature of book, 78% of borrowings and 73% of assets are on a floating basis.
- Asset quality saw yoy improvement, with gross NPA (GNPA) at 1.31% (down by 3bps yoy) and Stage 2 assets at 3.3% (down by 40bps yoy). The 1+ DPD stood at 7%. While 1Q credit costs are seasonally elevated at ~40-45bps, the management highlighted that bounce rates were stable, acting as a strong first line of defense. Further, exposure to volatile NRI-linked segments remains minimal, and the portfolio is geographically de-risked with no single state contributing more than 15% to AUM.
- BT-out rates were tightly controlled at 5%, marking a healthy improvement of ~20-25bps yoy. This stability is driven by a dedicated, data-backed retention team equipped with delegated authority on yield concessions for prime customers, evaluated via account behavior, vintage, and bounce history.
- Operating expenses included a P/L charge of Rs140mn related to fresh ESOP grants in 1QFY27. Excluding this charge, the cost-to-income ratio stood at ~33-34%, while the reported ratio was 36.3%. Employee costs also saw a sequential rise due to standard annual increments of ~10-12%. The company continued its tech investments by institutionalizing a six-layer AI architecture across origination and underwriting to boost long-term productivity. Network expansion remains on track, with plans to open 45-50 branches in FY27, mostly back-ended to 2Q and 3Q to allow adequate stabilization.
- **Guidance**
 - Disbursement growth for 2Q is targeted at 23-24%, with Jul-26 disbursements already tracking close to Rs9bn. Disbursement growth for FY27 is expected to be ~17-18%.
 - Full-year AUM growth is guided at ~20%.
 - Full-year PAT growth is guided at ~20%.
 - Spreads are expected to be firmly maintained at 5.5% or above.
 - FY27 credit cost is guided at 23-25bps, with GNPA targeted to reach ~1.1% by year-end.
 - Cost-to-income is expected to improve by 30-40bps annually, and cost-to-AUM by 6-7bps annually.
 - Medium-term ROA is guided at ~4.3-4.4%, with an ROE of ~17% expected over the next 2-3 years.

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Aadhar Housing Finance: Standalone Financials and Valuations

Profit & Loss					
Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY25	FY26	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
Interest Income	27,379	32,439	38,384	45,860	54,781
Interest Expense	11,738	13,644	15,692	18,830	22,858
Net interest income	15,642	18,795	22,693	27,029	31,923
NII growth (%)	21.9	20.2	20.7	19.1	18.1
Non interest income	3,449	4,426	4,918	6,081	7,532
Total income	19,090	23,222	27,611	33,111	39,455
Operating expenses	6,781	8,488	9,862	11,733	13,947
PPOP	12,309	14,733	17,750	21,378	25,509
PPOP growth (%)	23.0	19.7	20.5	20.4	19.3
Provisions & contingencies	571	676	1,046	1,194	1,390
PBT	11,738	14,057	16,703	20,184	24,119
Extraordinary items	-	-	-	-	-
Tax expense	2,617	3,103	3,686	4,455	5,323
Minority interest	-	-	-	-	-
Income from JV/Associates	-	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	9,121	10,955	13,017	15,729	18,796
PAT growth (%)	21.9	20.1	18.8	20.8	19.5
Adjusted PAT	9,121	10,955	13,017	15,729	18,796
Diluted EPS (Rs)	22.1	25.3	29.9	36.1	43.1
Diluted EPS growth (%)	16.5	14.4	18.2	20.8	19.5
DPS (Rs)	0	0	0	0	0
Dividend payout (%)	0	0	0	0	0
Effective tax rate (%)	22.3	22.1	22.1	22.1	22.1
Net interest margins (%)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.6
Cost-income ratio (%)	35.5	36.6	35.7	35.4	35.3
PAT/PPOP (%)	74.1	74.4	73.3	73.6	73.7
Shares outstanding (mn)	431.4	435.7	435.7	435.7	435.7

Source: Company, Emkay Research

Asset quality and other metrics					
Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY25	FY26	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
Asset quality					
GNPL - Stage 3	2,229	2,748	3,317	3,800	4,522
NNPL - Stage 3	1,461	1,767	2,156	2,470	2,939
GNPL ratio - Stage 3 (%)	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
NNPL ratio - Stage 3 (%)	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
ECL coverage - Stage 3 (%)	34.5	35.7	35.0	35.0	35.0
ECL coverage - 1 & 2 (%)	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9
Gross slippage - Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-
Gross slippage ratio (%)	-	-	-	-	-
Write-off ratio (%)	-	-	-	-	-
Total credit costs (%)	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
NNPA to networth (%)	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4
Capital adequacy					
Total CAR (%)	44.6	42.5	42.2	41.3	40.8
Tier-1 (%)	44.1	42.0	41.7	40.8	40.3
Miscellaneous					
Total income growth (%)	24.2	21.6	18.9	19.9	19.2
Opex growth (%)	26.4	25.2	16.2	19.0	18.9
PPOP margin (%)	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3
Credit costs-to-PPOP (%)	4.6	4.6	5.9	5.6	5.4
Loan-to-Assets (%)	88.2	90.7	91.9	91.8	91.3
Yield on loans (%)	11.7	11.6	11.4	11.4	11.4
Cost of funds (%)	7.8	7.8	7.6	7.6	7.6
Spread (%)	4.0	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8

Source: Company, Emkay Research

Balance Sheet					
Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY25	FY26	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
Share capital	4,314	4,357	4,357	4,357	4,357
Reserves & surplus	59,366	71,052	84,069	99,798	118,593
Net worth	63,680	75,409	88,426	104,155	122,950
Borrowings	162,621	187,438	223,782	272,941	330,038
Other liabilities & prov.	5,862	11,141	11,698	12,283	12,897
Total liabilities & equity	232,163	273,988	323,906	389,378	465,885
Net loans	204,841	248,396	297,809	357,409	425,317
Investments	5,089	0	0	0	0
Cash, other balances	8,768	18,521	18,318	23,413	31,157
Interest earning assets	218,698	266,917	316,128	380,822	456,474
Fixed assets	315	4,436	4,880	5,368	5,904
Other assets	13,150	2,635	2,898	3,188	3,507
Total assets	232,163	273,988	323,906	389,378	465,885
BVPS (Rs)	154.2	173.9	203.0	239.1	282.2
Adj. BVPS (INR)	154.2	173.9	203.0	239.1	282.2
Gross loans	207,272	251,298	301,558	361,869	430,624
Total AUM	255,307	305,713	366,856	440,227	523,870
On balance sheet	207,272	251,298	301,558	361,869	430,624
Off balance sheet	48,035	54,415	65,298	78,358	93,246
Disbursements	81,922	95,557	111,802	131,926	155,673
Disbursements growth (%)	15.9	16.6	17.0	18.0	18.0
Loan growth (%)	21.2	21.3	19.9	20.0	19.0
AUM growth (%)	20.9	19.7	20.0	20.0	19.0
Borrowings growth (%)	17.0	15.3	19.4	22.0	20.9
Book value growth (%)	36.9	12.8	16.7	17.8	18.0

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Valuations and key Ratios					
Y/E Mar	FY25	FY26	FY27E	FY28E	FY29E
P/E (x)	22.5	19.7	16.6	13.8	11.5
P/B (x)	3.2	2.9	2.4	2.1	1.8
P/ABV (x)	3.2	2.9	2.4	2.1	1.8
P/PPOP (x)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Dividend yield (%)	0	0	0	0	0
Dupont-RoE split (%)					
NII/avg AUM	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.6
Other income	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6
Securitization income	-	-	-	-	-
Opex	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.9	2.9
Employee expense	-	-	-	-	-
PPOP	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3
Provisions	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
Tax expense	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
RoAUM (%)	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9
Leverage ratio (x)	4.3	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.2
RoE (%)	16.9	15.8	15.9	16.3	16.6

Quarterly data					
Rs mn, Y/E Mar	Q1FY26	Q2FY26	Q3FY26	Q4FY26	Q1FY27
NII	4,282	4,578	4,855	5,081	5,103
NIM (%)	6.6	6.8	6.9	6.8	6.6
PPOP	3,320	3,558	3,773	4,082	3,952
PAT	2,373	2,664	2,812	3,107	2,823
EPS (Rs)	5.50	6.16	6.49	7.15	6.47

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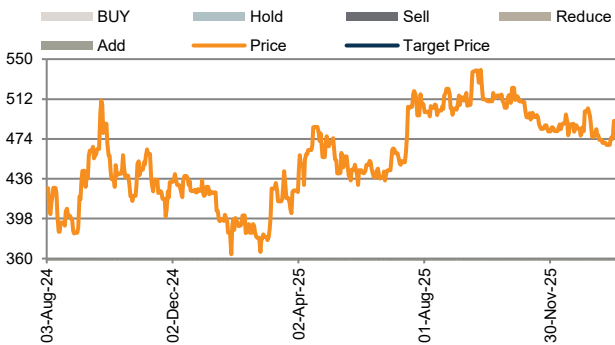
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RECOMMENDATION HISTORY - DETAILS

Date	Closing Price (Rs)	TP (Rs)	Rating	Analyst
17-Jul-26	517	600	Buy	Avinash Singh
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Source: Company, Emkay Research

RECOMMENDATION HISTORY - TREND



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