## ADD IDFC First Bank

## Higher contingent provisions dent earnings

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IDFCB reported ~73% earnings miss with PAT at Rs2bn/0.6% RoA, primarily due to higher contingent provisioning for MFI (Rs3.5bn), one-off Maharashtra toll account (Rs2.5bn), and some provisioning increase due to shoring up of specific PCR to 75% from 69% in 1Q. Excluding the additional provisions, the APAT would be Rs6.3bn. Credit growth was healthy at 23% YoY/6% QoQ, but margins contracted a bit due to softer loan yields/rising CoF. Despite higher delinquencies from MFI portfolio, the bank's GNPA ratio remained largely flat QoQ at 1.92% due to higher write-offs. MFI SMA pool has inched up QoQ to 2.5% of loans from 1.7% in 1Q, and could therefore keep NPAs elevated, but LLP should be contained due to consumption of contingent provisions. IDFCB completed its merger with IDFC Ltd in Oct-24, resulting in a capital accretion of Rs6.2bn. We cut our earnings estimates for FY25-27 by 10-34% factoring in higher LLP and so also RoA to remain range-bound at 0.9-1.1%. We retain ADD with a TP at Rs65 (1.1x Sep-26E ABV).

#### **IDFC First Bank: Financial Snapshot (Standalone)**

Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Net profit	24,371	29,565	21,666	37,402	51,802
Loan growth (%)	28.8	28.2	21.9	20.8	22.8
NII growth (%)	30.2	30.2	19.8	20.3	21.1
NIM (%)	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.3	6.3
PPOP growth (%)	50.2	26.5	26.8	28.7	29.9
Adj. EPS (Rs)	3.7	4.2	2.9	5.0	6.9
Adj. EPS growth (%)	1,473.3	13.6	(30.8)	72.6	38.5
Adj. BV (Rs)	37.4	44.3	50.6	54.6	60.3
Adj. BVPS growth (%)	18.3	18.6	14.1	7.9	10.5
RoA (%)	1.1	1.1	0.7	1.0	1.1
RoE (%)	10.4	10.2	6.1	9.2	11.6
P/E (x)	17.7	15.5	22.4	13.0	9.4
P/ABV (x)	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1

Source: Company, Emkay Research

#### Healthy growth, but margins contract

IDFCB posted relatively better credit growth at 23% YoY/6% QoQ on the back of some pick-up seen in the SME (13% QoQ)/corporate (10% QoQ) segment. Within retail – VF, HL, and consumer loans further drive business growth. Deposit growth too was healthy at 31% YoY/6.7% QoQ on account of strong traction seen in CASA (up 12% QoQ), leading to a 228bps QoQ improvement in CASA ratio to 48.9%, which led to some moderation in CoDs by 9bps to 6.4%. However, NIMs slipped QoQ by 4bps to 4.2%, primarily due to softer loan yields which were led by slight change in portfolio mix, interest reversal, and higher CoF. However, the opex was relatively stable with C/I ratio at 69% in 2Q (vs 70% in Q1). Management expects C/I ratio to fall to ~65% by FY27E, while for high-cost credit card business, the C/I ratio is expected come down to 75% by FY27E (vs 99% currently).

#### Higher LLP due to contingent provisions on MFI, toll accounts

Despite higher stress in the MFI-JLG book, GNPA ratio was relatively flat at 1.9% of loans due to higher write-offs. However, the bank created prudent provisions of Rs5.7bn including Rs3.2bn in the MFI business (due to persistent stress in MFI industry) and Rs2.5bn in one Maharashtra-based toll account (due to recent waiver of toll fees at Mumbai entry points). Ex-provision in MFI portfolio and without additional provision buffer created on the legacy toll account, the quarterly annualized credit cost for the loan book for Q2FY25 stood at 1.8%. Credit cost for FY25 is expected to be 225bps out of which ~40-45bps is for the MFI book, ~10-11bps for the toll account, and 170bps is for other segments.

#### Retain ADD, but reduce TP to Rs65

Factoring in continued earning miss in 2Q and rising stress leading to higher LLP, we cut our earnings estimates for FY25-27 by 10-34% and expect RoA to remain contained around 0.9-1.1%. We retain ADD with reduced TP of Rs65 based on 1.1x Sep-26E ABV, from the earlier Rs85. Key risks: Macro slowdown further hurting growth/asset quality, delay in opex improvement, and KMP attrition.



#### **TARGET PRICE (Rs): 65**

Target Price – 12M	Sep-25
Change in TP (%)	(18.8)
Current Reco.	ADD
Previous Reco.	ADD
Upside/(Downside) (%)	(0.8)
CMP (25-Oct-24) (Rs)	65.5
Stock Data	Ticker
52-week High (Rs)	92
52-week Low (Rs)	65
Shares outstanding (mn)	7,482.7
Market-cap (Rs bn)	490
Market-cap (USD mn)	5,832
Net-debt, FY25E (Rs mn)	NA
ADTV-3M (mn shares)	33
ADTV-3M (Rs mn)	2,413.6
ADTV-3M (USD mn)	28.7
Free float (%)	46.0
Nifty-50	24,181
INR/USD	84.1
Shareholding, Oct-24	
Promoters (%)	-
FPIs/MFs (%)	27.3/16.2

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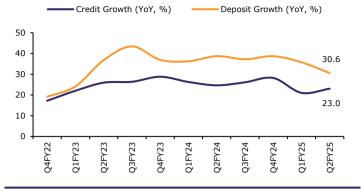
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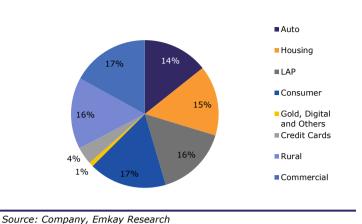
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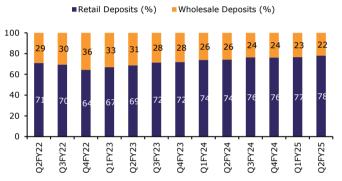
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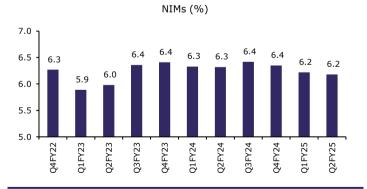


#### Exhibit 3: Retail deposits continue to accelerate improving the granularity of the book



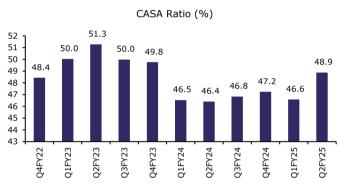
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#### Exhibit 5: NIMs fall due to higher sequential increase in average investment book, softer loan yields, and rising CoF



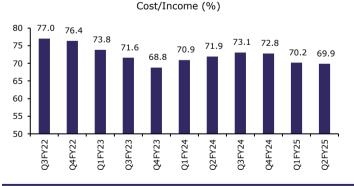
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Exhibit 4: CASA ratio inches up QoQ



Source: Company, Emkay Research

Exhibit 6: Cost pressure eases a tad during the quarter



Source: Company, Emkay Research

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Exhibit 7: IDFCB has showcased relatively better asset quality trends vs industry (ex-Kerala) in its Top 5 states (as per portfolio contribution)

### IDFC FIRST Bank has a relatively better / similar delinquency than industry

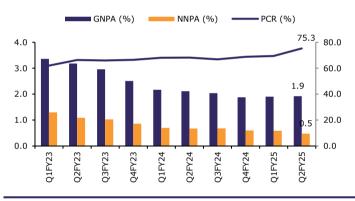
Comparative performance of Industry and IDFC FIRST Bank across the Top 15 states

	-	DFC FIRST Ban	k	Industry			
State	IDFC POS	% POS	PAR 30+	POS (Cr)	% POS	PAR 30+ %	
Tamil Nadu (TN)	7661	60.8%	3.5%	56,031	13.0%	3.7%	
Karnataka (KA)	1215	9.6%	1.7%	41,646	10.0%	1.7%	
Maharashtra (MH)	709	5.6%	3.1%	31,902	8.0%	4.9%	
Kerala (KL)*	684	5.4%	9.8%	12,975	3.0%	7.1%	
Bihar (BR)	456	3.6%	2.0%	63,395	15.0%	3.0%	
Portfolio Contribution Top 5 States	10,725	85.1%	3.6%	205,949	48.8%	3.5%	

\*The Bank has reduced its microfinance exposure in Kerala by 30% on YoY basis

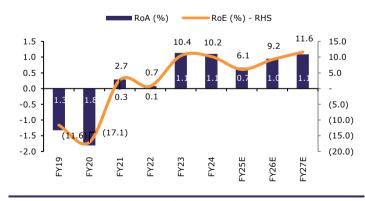
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Exhibit 8: Higher slippages led to slight increase in GNPA



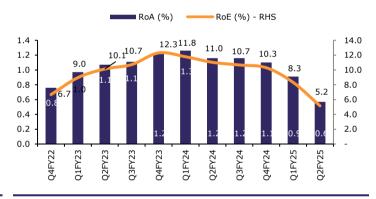
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#### Exhibit 10: Slower growth coupled with rising LLP to keep RoA expansion in check



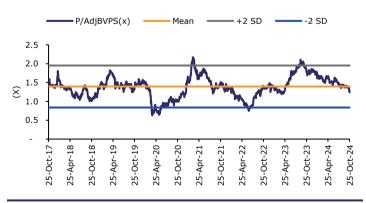
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Exhibit 9: Slower growth and higher LLP hurt earnings



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Exhibit 11: The stock is currently trading at 1.1x Sep-26E ABV



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#### Exhibit 12: Revision in estimates

(Rs mn)	Actuals	Estima	ates	Varia	tion	Comments
(KS IIII)	Actuals	Emkay	Consensus	Emkay	Consensus	
Net income	65,152	66,347	66,050	-2%	-1%	Lower other income and NII growth led to a slight miss
РРОР	19,619	19,853	19,676	-1%	0%	Higher staff expenses led to slight miss in PPOP
PAT	2,007	7,537	6,922	-73%	-71%	Higher LLP led to a major miss in PAT

Source: Company, Emkay Research

#### **Exhibit 13: Quarterly Summary**

(Rs mn)	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25	YoY (%)	QoQ (%)	FY24A	FY25E	YoY (%)
Interest Earned	73,562	78,794	82,192	87,885	89,569	22	2	303,225	371,367	22.5
Interest Exp	34,060	35,928	37,503	40,937	41,691	22	2	138,718	174,272	25.6
Net Interest Income	39,502	42,866	44,689	46,948	47,879	21	2	164,508	197,095	19.8
Global NIMs (reported)	6.32	6.42	6.44	6.22	6.20	-12bps	-2bps	6.50	6.35	-15bps
Non-interest Income	14,296	15,166	16,420	16,192	17,273	21	7	60,028	70,122	16.8
Operating Expenses	38,696	42,407	44,470	44,316	45,533	18	3	162,158	188,109	16.0
Pre Provisioning Profit	15,103	15,625	16,639	18,824	19,619	30	4	62,378	79,108	26.8
Provision & Contingencies	5,284	6,548	7,223	9,944	17,319	228	74	23,817	50,970	114.0
PBT	9,819	9,077	9,416	8,880	2,299	-77	-74	38,561	28,137	-27.0
Income Tax Expense (Gain)	2,306	1,920	2,173	2,074	292	-87	-86	8,988	6,472	-28.0
Net Profit/(Loss)	7,513	7,157	7,243	6,806	2,007	-73	-71	29,573	21,666	-26.7
Gross NPA (%)	2.11	2.04	1.88	1.90	1.92	-19bps	2bps	1.89	1.97	8bps
Net NPA (%)	0.67	0.68	0.60	0.59	0.48	-20bps	-11bps	0.60	0.56	-4bps
Deposits (Rs bn)	1,712	1,825	2,006	2,097	2,236	31	7	2,006	2,598	29.5
Net Advances (Rs bn)	1,748	1,855	1,946	2,026	2,151	23	6	1,946	2,371	21.9

Source: Company, Emkay Research

#### Exhibit 14: Revision in estimates

V/E Mar (Dama)		FY25E		FY26E			FY27E		
Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	Earlier	Revised	Change	Earlier	Revised	Change	Earlier	Revised	Change
Net income	273,015	267,217	-2.1%	331,766	323,511	-2.5%	407,876	392,920	-3.7%
PPOP	83,607	79,108	-5.4%	108,531	101,830	-6.2%	145,368	132,275	-9.0%
PAT	32,815	21,666	-34.0%	41,571	37,402	-10.0%	57,787	51,802	-10.4%
EPS (Rs)	4.5	2.9	-35.5%	5.7	5.0	-12.1%	7.9	6.9	-12.4%
BV (Rs)	54.4	51.9	-4.6%	59.7	56.5	-5.4%	67.1	62.9	-6.2%

Source: Company, Emkay Research

Exhibit 15: Key Assumptions	5			
	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Loan Growth (%)	28.2	28.2	21.9	20.8
Deposit Growth (%)	38.7	38.7	29.5	28.3
NIM (%)	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.3
GNPA (%)	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.2
Credit Cost (%)	1.3	1.5	2.1	2.0

Source: Emkay Research

#### Exhibit 16: Key Ratios and Trends

	Q2FY23	Q3FY23	Q4FY23	Q1FY24	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25
Loans (Rs mn)	1,402,390	1,471,090	1,517,945	1,673,740	1,748,138	1,855,030	1,945,924	2,025,681	2,150,613
Growth YoY (%)	25.9	26.4	28.8	26.3	24.7	26.1	28.2	21.0	23.0
Growth QoQ (%)	5.8	4.9	3.2	10.3	4.4	6.1	4.9	4.1	6.2
Composition (%)									
- Corporate	21.2	20.3	19.0	18.3	18.7	16.8	17.0	16.9	17.6
- SME/BB	9.1	9.4	12.4	12.9	13.2	12.4	12.8	12.3	13.1
- Retail (inc. agri)	66.4	67.3	68.6	68.8	72.9	73.0	73.5	74.1	72.8
Liability Profile & Margin									
CASA (%)	51.3	50.0	49.8	46.5	46.4	46.8	47.2	46.6	48.9
Asset Quality (%)									
GNPA (%)	3.2	3.0	2.5	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9
NNPA (%)	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5
PCR (%)	66.3	66.0	66.4	68.1	68.2	66.9	68.8	69.4	75.3
Restructured (%)	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2
Capital Adequacy									
CAR (%)	15.4	16.1	16.8	17.0	16.5	16.7	16.1	17.2	16.6
Tier I (%)	13.7	13.5	14.2	13.7	13.5	14.0	13.4	13.3	13.8
ROE Decomposition (%)									
NII	5.8	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.4	6.3	6.2	6.1
Other Income	1.8	2.1	2.0	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.1	2.1
Treasury	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Net income	7.9	8.2	8.7	8.4	8.4	8.7	8.6	8.4	8.3
Opex	5.6	5.9	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.3	6.3	5.9	5.8
РРОР	2.3	2.3	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.5
Provisions	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.3	2.2
РВТ	1.4	1.5	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	0.3
Tax	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.0
ROA	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.3
ROE	10.2	10.8	13.3	11.7	11.1	9.7	9.1	8.3	2.3

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#### **IDFC First Bank: Standalone Financials and Valuations**

Profit & Loss					
Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Interest Income	227,275	303,225	371,367	443,952	529,362
Interest Expense	100,922	138,717	174,272	206,774	242,102
Net interest income	126,353	164,508	197,095	237,178	287,260
NII growth (%)	30.2	30.2	19.8	20.3	21.1
Other income	44,670	60,020	70,122	86,333	105,660
Total Income	171,023	224,528	267,217	323,511	392,920
Operating expenses	121,704	162,158	188,109	221,681	260,645
РРОР	49,319	62,370	79,108	101,830	132,275
PPOP growth (%)	50.2	26.5	26.8	28.7	29.9
Core PPOP	46,054	60,315	76,643	98,872	128,726
Provisions & contingencies	16,648	23,817	50,970	52,292	63,206
РВТ	32,671	38,553	28,137	49,538	69,070
Extraordinary items	0	0	0	0	0
Tax expense	8,300	8,988	6,472	12,137	17,267
Minority interest	0	0	0	0	0
Income from JV/Associates	0	0	0	0	0
Reported PAT	24,371	29,565	21,666	37,402	51,802
PAT growth (%)	1,574.6	21.3	(26.7)	72.6	38.5
Adjusted PAT	24,371	29,565	21,666	37,402	51,802
Diluted EPS (Rs)	3.7	4.1	2.9	5.0	6.9
Diluted EPS growth (%)	1,492.2	13.3	(30.7)	72.6	38.5
DPS (Rs)	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.5
Dividend payout (%)	0.0	0.0	10.4	8.0	7.2
Effective tax rate (%)	25.4	23.3	23.0	24.5	25.0
Net interest margins (%)	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.3	6.3
Cost-income ratio (%)	71.2	72.2	70.4	68.5	66.3
Shares outstanding (mn)	6,618.1	7,128.8	7,482.7	7,482.7	7,482.7

Balance Sheet					
Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Share capital	66,181	71,288	74,827	74,827	74,827
Reserves & surplus	191,030	250,914	313,535	347,943	396,004
Net worth	257,212	322,202	388,362	422,770	470,831
Deposits	1,446,373	2,005,763	2,598,329	3,333,215	4,265,297
Borrowings	402,935	368,103	338,655	304,789	259,071
Interest bearing liab.	1,849,308	2,373,866	2,936,984	3,638,004	4,524,368
Other liabilities & prov.	292,897	265,672	238,585	236,522	238,564
Total liabilities & equity	2,399,417	2,961,150	3,563,931	4,297,296	5,233,763
Net advances	1,517,945	1,945,924	2,371,187	2,864,907	3,517,682
Investments	611,236	747,084	886,366	1,064,485	1,275,612
Cash, other balances	138,980	124,802	154,053	198,711	251,585
Interest earning assets	2,268,160	2,817,809	3,411,606	4,128,102	5,044,879
Fixed assets	20,901	26,194	21,103	26,181	32,527
Other assets	110,355	117,147	131,221	143,013	156,356
Total assets	2,399,417	2,961,150	3,563,931	4,297,296	5,233,763
BVPS (Rs)	38.9	45.5	51.9	56.5	62.9
Adj. BVPS (INR)	37.4	44.3	50.6	54.6	60.3
Gross advances	1,543,749	1,971,503	2,405,233	2,910,332	3,579,708
Credit to deposit (%)	104.9	97.0	91.3	86.0	82.5
CASA ratio (%)	49.8	47.2	46.2	46.4	48.4
Cost of deposits (%)	5.0	5.9	6.2	6.0	5.7
Loans-to-Assets (%)	63.3	65.7	66.5	66.7	67.2
Net advances growth (%)	28.8	28.2	21.9	20.8	22.8
Deposit growth (%)	36.9	38.7	29.5	28.3	28.0
Book value growth (%)	15.1	17.0	14.1	8.9	11.4

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Asset quality and oth	er metrics	;			
Y/E Mar (Rs mn)	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Asset quality					
Gross NPLs	38,844.5	37,183.6	47,285.6	64,893.1	88,608.7
Net NPLs	13,040.5	11,604.6	13,240.0	19,467.9	26,582.6
GNPA ratio (%)	2.5	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.5
NNPA ratio (%)	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8
Provision coverage (%)	66.4	68.8	72.0	70.0	70.0
Gross slippages	45,430.5	39,270.0	67,346.5	80,034.1	94,862.3
Gross slippage ratio (%)	2.9	2.0	2.8	2.8	2.7
LLP ratio (%)	1.7	1.5	2.1	2.0	1.9
NNPA to networth (%)	5.0	3.5	3.3	4.5	5.5
Capital adequacy					
Total CAR (%)	16.8	16.1	15.9	14.2	12.9
Tier-1 (%)	14.2	13.4	13.5	12.2	11.2
CET-1 (%)	14.2	13.4	13.5	12.2	11.2
RWA-to-Total Assets (%)	72.8	78.2	78.0	78.0	78.0
Miscellaneous					
Total income growth (%)	33.3	33.6	21.5	20.1	19.8
Opex growth (%)	26.2	33.2	16.0	17.8	17.6
Core PPOP growth (%)	71.0	31.0	27.1	29.0	30.2
PPOP margin (%)	18.1	17.2	17.9	19.2	20.8
PAT/PPOP (%)	49.4	47.4	27.4	36.7	39.2
LLP-to-Core PPOP (%)	36.1	39.5	66.5	52.9	49.1
Yield on advances (%)	14.4	15.1	14.6	14.5	14.3
Cost of funds (%)	5.6	6.1	6.2	6.0	5.7

Source: Company, Emkay Research

#### Valuations and key Ratios Y/E Mar FY23 **FY24** FY25E FY26E FY27E P/E (x) 17.8 15.5 22.4 13.0 9.4 P/B (x) 1.0 1.7 1.4 1.3 1.2 P/ABV (x) 1.7 1.5 1.3 1.2 1.1 P/PPOP (x) 8.7 7.4 6.1 4.8 3.7 Dividend vield (%) 0.0 0.6 0.8 0.0 0.5 DuPont-RoE split (%) NII/avg assets 5.9 6.1 6.0 6.0 6.0 Other income 2.1 2.2 2.1 2.2 2.2 2.1 2.1 2.1 2.1 Fee income 1.9 Opex 5.7 6.1 5.8 5.6 5.5 PPOP 2.3 2.3 2.4 2.6 2.8 2.3 Core PPOP 2.1 2.3 2.5 2.7 Provisions 0.8 0.9 1.3 1.6 1.3 Tax expense 0.4 0.3 0.2 0.3 0.4 1.1 1.1 RoA (%) 1.1 0.7 1.0 9.3 10.7 Leverage ratio (x) 9.2 9.2 9.7 RoE (%) 10.4 10.2 6.1 9.2 11.6 **Quarterly data** Rs mn, Y/E Mar 02FY24 **O3FY24** 04FY24 01FY25 02FY25 NII 47,879 39,502 42,866 44,689 46,948 NIM(%) 6.4 6.2 6.2 6.3 6.4 PPOP 15,103 15,625 16,639 18,824 19,619 PAT 7.513 7.157 7.243 6,806 2.007 EPS (Rs) 1.14 1.08 1.09 1.03 0.30

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Date	Closing Price (INR)	TP (INR)	Rating	Analyst
07-Oct-24	72	80	Add	Anand Dama
27-Jul-24	74	85	Add	Anand Dama
28-Apr-24	85	98	Add	Anand Dama
22-Jan-24	88	98	Add	Anand Dama
30-Nov-23	85	98	Buy	Anand Dama
30-Oct-23	83	98	Buy	Anand Dama
30-Jul-23	84	96	Buy	Anand Dama
07-Jul-23	80	96	Buy	Anand Dama

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