Tata Consultancy Services Ltd.

BFSI greenshoots visible; GenAI led TCV deals becoming mainstream

TCS reported revenues for Q2FY25 at \$7.67bn, a growth of 5.5% YoY cc led by growth in Energy, Resources and Utilities and Manufacturing vertical and India, MEA, Asia Pacific and Latin America geographies. In USD terms, reported revenue was up 2.2% QoQ and 6.4% YoY. In INR terms, revenue stood at INR642.6bn, up 2.6% QoQ and 7.7% YoY. Q2FY25 order book TCV stood at \$8.6bn (within the management's comfortable guidance band of \$7bn-9bn) with North America TCV at \$4.2bn; BFSI TCV at \$2.9bn and Consumer Business TCV at \$1.2bn. Net CFO stood at 100.2% of net income in Q2.

- Strong traction in AI: Clients are focusing on initiatives that enhance their products and services through next-gen technologies like GenAI and IoT, aiming to boost productivity and operational efficiency. Key themes driving major deals include operating model transformation, vendor consolidation, legacy modernization, M&A, customer experience enhancement, digital workplace services, ER&D, identity and access management, and AI/GenAI initiatives. Growth has been particularly strong in AI.Cloud, Cyber Security, and TCS Interactive in Q2, reflecting a strategic emphasis on innovation and security in today's competitive landscape. AI led TCV is almost doubling every quarter and becoming mainstream.
- Fresher hiring for FY25E on track: LTM attrition stood low at 12.3% (within comfortable band of 11-13%). There was a net addition of 5,726 employees resulting in workforce strength at 612,724. Company hired approx. 11.000 freshers from campuses and recalibrated hiring, focusing more on utilizing the capacity. The plans to hire closer to 40,000 freshers in FY25E as strategized earlier is on track. Company also commenced the campus hiring process for FY26E.
- Aspirational target band 26%+: Adjusted operating (EBIT) margins came in at 24.1% for the quarter (down 60bps sequentially and 20bps YoY). Margin impact was due to strategic investments in talent and infrastructure to ensure sustainable growth. Margin improvement levers are identified as improving productivity, utilization and pyramid rationalization (for short term) and improved realization (pricing) and growth acceleration (for long term). Company aspires its margin band to be between 26-28% going ahead.
- Management Outlook: Demand outlook continues to remain cautious as seen in the last few quarters. Key business themes seen across industries are cost optimization, vendor consolidation, customer experience transformation, supply chain modernization, risk and resiliency. Management is confident of FY25E to be better than FY24. Financial services in North America is showing signs of improvement. Manufacturing continues to see a strong demand environment with robust deal pipeline. Smart manufacturing and software-defined vehicles are the two major long-term trends. Under Life Science & Healthcare, we expect the headwinds to stabilize in Q3 and return to growth in Q4.

Valuation: Company is investing significantly to create a large footprint in emerging growth markets. A near all-time high TCV and client interest in GenAI shall provide growth. We have introduced FY27E and expect Revenue/EBIT/PAT to grow at a CAGR of 10.3%/12.3%/12.2% respectively over FY24-FY27E. We maintain our rating to **BUY** with a revised target price of INR4,664 implying a PE of 30x on Sep-FY27E EPS of INR167.

Financial Snapshot

Particulars	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Revenue (USD Mn.)	27,927	29,080	30,981	34,184	38,284
Revenue (INR Mn.)	22,54,580	24,08,930	25,94,868	28,76,306	32,33,578
Gross Profit (INR Mn.)	7,47,200	8,12,390	8,78,393	9,82,666	11,25,283
EBIT (INR Mn.)	5,42,370	5,83,530	6,34,865	7,14,693	8,25,827
EBIT Margin (%)	24.1	24.2	24.5	24.8	25.5
EPS (INR)	115	126	137	155	179

Source: Company, CEBPL

Q2FY25 Result Update

BUY

Choice

	Oct 11, 2024
CMP (Rs.)	4,228
Target Price (Rs.)	4,664
Potential Upside (%)	10.3

Company Info

BB Code	TCS IN EQUITY
ISIN	INE467B01029
Face Value (Rs.)	1.0
52 Week High (Rs.)	4,585.9
52 Week Low (Rs.)	3,313.0
Mkt Cap (Rs Bn.)	15,298.7
Mkt Cap (\$ Bn.)	182.2
Shares o/s (Mn.)/Float	3,618.1/28
FY24 EPS (Rs.)	126
FY27E EPS (Rs.)	179

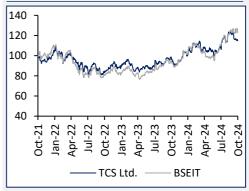
Shareholding Pattern (%)

	Jun-24	Mar-24	Dec-23
Promoters	71.77	71.77	72.41
FII's	12.35	12.70	12.46
DII's	11.00	10.61	10.04
Public	4.88	4.92	5.09

Relative Performance (%)

YTD	3Y	2Y	1Y
BSE IT	22.6	49.7	29.4
TCS	14.7	35.5	16.5

Rebased Price Performance



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Sequential Operating Performance

Sequential Operating F	erformanc	e				
	Q1FY24	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25
Income Statement						
Revenues (USD Mn.)	7,226	7,210	7,281	7,363	7,505	7,670
Revenues (INR Mn.)	5,93,810	5,96,920	6,05,830	6,12,370	6,26,130	6,42,590
Gross Profit (INR mn.)	1,91,440	1,98,160	2,07,170	2,15,620	2,13,800	2,13,860
Gross Margin (%)	32.2	33.2	34.2	35.2	34.1	33.3
EBIT (INR mn.)	1,37,550	1,44,830	1,41,970	1,59,180	1,54,420	1,54,650
EBIT Margin (%)	23.2	24.3	23.4	26.0	24.7	24.1
PAT (INR mn.)	1,10,740	1,13,420	1,10,580	1,24,340	1,20,400	1,19,090
Basic EPS (INR)	30.3	31.0	30.3	34.4	33.3	32.9
Operating Metrics						
Revenue – Geography (%)						
Americas	54.0	53.7	52.7	52.0	51.4	49.4
Europe	31.3	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.3	31.6
India	4.9	4.9	6.1	6.7	7.5	8.9
Asia Pacific	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.0
MEA	2.0	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.:
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Revenue – Industry (%)						
BFSI	32.5	32.6	31.7	31.3	30.9	30.8
Retail & CPG	16.1	15.9	15.7	15.7	15.4	15.3
Communication & Media	7.0	6.9	6.7	6.6	6.2	5.9
Manufacturing	8.3	8.5	8.6	8.8	8.8	8.6
Life Science & Healthcare	11.0	10.9	10.9	10.9	11.0	10.4
Energy & Utilities	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.7
Technology & Services	8.7	8.6	8.4	8.2	8.1	8.0
Regional Markets & Others	10.9	11.0	12.3	12.9	14.0	15.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Clients Buckets						
USD 1 mn clients	1,268	1,272	1,288	1,294	1,310	1,307
USD 5 mn clients	677	688	693	693	697	710
USD 10 mn clients	468	483	480	487	486	491
USD 20 mn clients	296	292	299	301	300	298
USD 50 mn clients	137	137	137	139	140	136
USD 100 mn clients	60	61	61	62	63	66
Employee Metrics						
Total Headcount	6,15,318	6,08,985	6,03,305	6,01,546	6,06,998	6,12,724
Attrition Rate %	17.8	14.9	13.3	12.5	12.1	12.3

CEBPL Estimates vs Actual for Q2FY25							
TCS (INR Mn.)	Q2FY25	Q2FY24	YoY(%)	Q1FY25	QoQ (%)	CEBPL Est.	Dev. (%)
Revenues (\$ mn.)	7,670	7,210	6.4	7,505	2.2	7,649	0.3
Revenues	6,42,590	5,96,920	7.7	6,26,130	2.6	6,38,777	0.6
Employee Cost	4,28,730	3,98,760	7.5	4,12,330	4.0		
Gross Profit (INR mn.)	2,13,860	1,98,160	7.9	2,13,800	0.0	2,16,963	(1.4)
Gross Margin (%)	33.3	33.2	8 bps	34.1	(87) bps	34.0	(68) bps
Other costs	46,540	40,710	14.3	47,180	(1.4)		
Depreciation	12,670	12,620	0.4	12,200	3.9		
EBIT (INR mn.)	1,54,650	1,44,830	6.8	1,54,420	0.1	1,57,329	(1.7)
EBIT Margin (%)	24.1	24.3	(20) bps	24.7	(60) bps	24.6	(56) bps
Other Income	7,290	10,060	(27.5)	9,620	(24.2)		
Interest	1,620	1,590	1.9	1,730	(6.4)		
PBT (INR mn.)	1,60,320	1,53,300	4.6	1,62,310	(1.2)		
Тах	40,770	39,500	3.2	41,260	(1.2)		
Adj. PAT (INR mn.)	1,19,090	1,13,420	5.0	1,20,400	(1.1)	1,23,066	(3.2)
Basic EPS (INR)	32.92	31.00	6.2	33.28	(1.1)	34.02	(3.2)

Source: Company, CEBPL

Change in Estimates

Income Statement	FY25E		FY26E			FY27E	
(INR Mn.)	Old	New	Dev. (%)	Old	New	Dev. (%)	New
Revenues (USD Mn.)	30,914	30,981	0.2	34,028	34,184	0.5	38,284
Revenues	25,81,000	25,94,868	0.5	28,41,622	28,76,306	1.2	32,33,578
Gross Profit Margin (%)	33.9	33.9	(6) bps	33.8	34.2	41 bps	34.8
EBIT	6,32,814	6,34,865	0.3	6,95,106	7,14,693	2.8	8,25,827
EBIT Margin (%)	24.5	24.5	(5) bps	24.5	24.8	39 bps	25.5
EPS	136.8	136.8	0.0	151.1	155.5	2.9	179.1

Source: Company, CEBPL

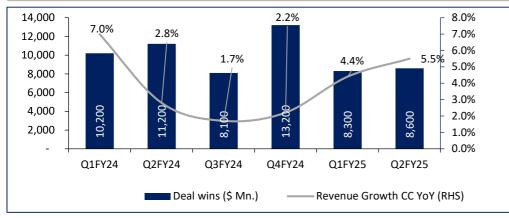
Historical 1 Yr Fwd PE Band



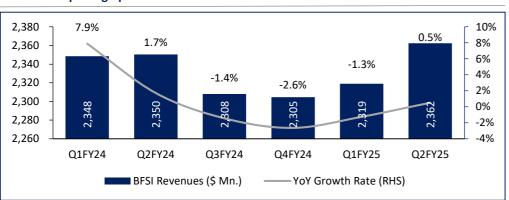
Management Call - Highlights

- Q2FY25 revenue growth was broad-based, with India leading the way at an impressive 95.2% YoY growth in cc. The MEA followed with a 7.9% YoY cc growth, while the Asia Pacific region recorded a 7.5% YoY cc increase. In terms of vertical performance, regional markets and others demonstrated remarkable growth at 50.4% YoY cc, followed by the energy, resources, and utilities sector with a 7.0% YoY cc growth, and manufacturing witnessed a 5.3% YoY cc increase.
- In Q2FY25, the company witnessed TCV amounting to \$8.6bn in its order book. Notably, North America accounted for \$4.2bn of the TCV, while the Banking, Financial Services, and Insurance (BFSI) sector contributed \$2.9bn, and the consumer business segment accounted for \$1.2bn.
- During Q2FY25, the company witnessed growth across its client segments. Clients in the \$100 million+ revenue band grew by 8% YoY to 66, while the \$20 million+ bracket rose 2% YoY to 298 clients. Clients generating \$10 million+ increased by 2% YoY. The \$1 million+ bracket also grew by 3% YoY.
- The board has announced an interim dividend of INR 10 per share for the current quarter.
- Consumer spending during the coming holiday season will also play a crucial role in determining budgets towards transformation initiatives. Retailers are likely to wait and watch for these parameters and factor these into their planning for the next fiscal.
- TCS showcased its commitment to a sustainable and technologically advanced future for the aerospace industry at Farnborough International Airshow in 2024. Cutting-edge solutions designed to solve critical industry challenges are on display, including for Generative AI supply chain, an immersive MRO experience, and exploration of quantum computing in aviation.
- Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has been selected by Banco de Crédito del Perú (BCP) to transform its IT technology landscape. As part of this collaboration, TCS will leverage its digital solutions and expertise from its AI. Cloud, Modernization, and Banking business units to help BCP achieve its strategic goals. The partnership focuses on delivering a fully digital customer experience, supporting BCP's broader vision of becoming a transformative and innovative leader in the region. Through this expanded partnership, TCS will create value-driven outcomes that contribute to BCP's growth objectives, enabling the bank to modernize its IT infrastructure and enhance customer engagement with cutting-edge technologies. This collaboration aligns with BCP's ambition to strengthen its leadership in digital banking and innovation across its market.

Uptick in TCV Deal wins on QoQ basis



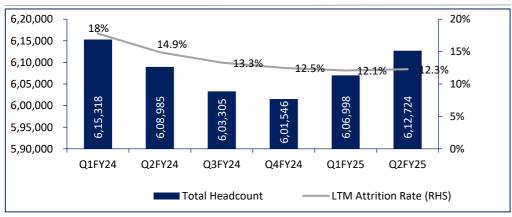
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BFSI started picking up in North America

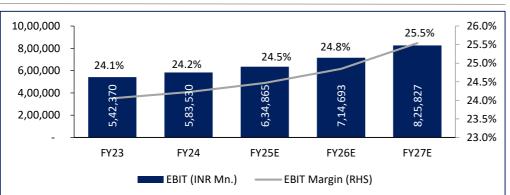
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Attrition rate to remain stable at current levels



Source: Company, CEBPL





Financial Summary (Consolidated in INR Mn.)

Income Statement (INR Mn.)	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Revenue (USD Mn.)	27,927	29,080	30,981	34,184	38,284
Revenue	22,54,580	24,08,930	25,94,868	28,76,306	32,33,578
Gross profit	7,47,200	8,12,390	8,78,393	9,82,666	11,25,283
EBITDA	5,92,600	6,33,370	6,86,258	7,70,740	8,84,803
Depreciation	50,230	49,840	51,393	56,048	58,975
EBIT	5,42,370	5,83,530	6,34,865	7,14,693	8,25,827
Other income	34,490	44,220	39,455	51,774	56,468
Interest expense	7,790	7,780	7,637	9,076	9,957
PBT	5,69,070	6,19,970	6,66,682	7,57,390	8,72,338
Adjusted PAT	4,21,470	4,59,080	4,94,889	5,62,416	6,48,051
EPS	115	126	137	155	179

Balance Sheet (INR Mn.)	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Tangible fixed assets	1,14,640	1,09,400	1,11,588	1,13,820	1,16,096
Goodwill & intangible assets	1,02,850	1,02,280	1,03,959	1,05,672	1,07,419
Investments	3,71,630	3,17,620	3,27,486	3,37,698	3,48,275
Cash & Cash equivalents	1,10,320	1,32,860	1,25,951	1,25,017	1,49,658
Other non-current assets	1,13,660	1,20,160	1,28,713	1,40,832	1,55,604
Other current assets	6,23,410	6,82,170	7,15,090	7,43,872	7,51,090
Total assets	14,36,510	14,64,490	15,12,787	15,66,911	16,28,142
Shareholder's funds	9,04,240	9,04,890	9,42,614	9,85,914	10,36,065
Minority interest	7,820	8,300	8,300	8,300	8,300
Borrowings	-	-	-	-	-
Lease liabilities	76,880	80,210	82,266	84,385	86,571
Other non-current liabilities	26,840	25,100	25,310	25,525	25,743
Other current liabilities	4,20,730	4,45,990	4,54,298	4,62,787	4,71,463
Total equity & liabilities	14,36,510	14,64,490	15,12,787	15,66,911	16,28,142
Cash Flows (INR Mn.)	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Cash flows from Operations	4,19,650	4,43,380	4,99,242	5,65,429	6,95,771
Cash flows from Investing	390	60,260	(27,385)	(22,430)	(77,950)
Cash flows from financing	(4,78,960)	(4,85,360)	(4,66,832)	(5,30,031)	(5,95,715)
Ratio Analysis	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Growth Ratios (%)					
Growth Ratios (%) Revenues	17.6	6.8	7.7	10.8	12.4
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Revenues					
Revenues Gross Profit	13.9	8.7	8.1	11.9	14.5
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Historical recommendations and target price: TCS Ltd.



Tata	Consultancy Se	ervices Ltd.	
1.	14-01-2022	Outperform,	Target Price 4,815
2.	12-04-2022	Outperform,	Target Price 4,265
3.	11-07-2022	Outperform,	Target Price 3,993
4.	10-10-2022	Neutral,	Target Price 3,449
5.	10-01-2023	Neutral,	Target Price 3,454
6.	15-04-2023	Add,	Target Price 3,536
7.	13-07-2023	Add,	Target Price 3,507
8.	25-09-2023	Neutral,	Target Price 3,730
9.	12-10-2023	Add,	Target Price 4,040
10.	12-01-2024	Add,	Target Price 4,065
11.	18-03-2024	Buy,	Target Price 4,065
12.	13-04-2024	Buy,	Target Price 4,495
13.	12-07-2024	Buy,	Target Price 4,225
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