**RESULT REPORT Q2 FY25** | Sector: Energy

# **Indian Oil Corporation Ltd**

# Weak refining and marketing performance; LPG subsidy burden continues to impact the earnings

Indian Oil Corp Q2FY25 performance showcased a poor core performance aggravated by inventory and adventitious losses. The integrated core margins in USD/bbl were lower than our estimates at 2.6 versus 4.1. With EBITDA at Rs37.7bn and Adj. PAT loss of Rs9.8bn, the core GRMs has been quite weaker with inventory losses, while the marketing performance stood weaker than our expectations with higher-than-expected adventitious losses. Reported EBITDA and PAT is lower than our and consensus expectations. The reported GRM of USD1.6/bbl and Rs6.6/ltr of blended gross marketing margins, while the core integrated margins stood at USD2.6/bbl. We maintain NEUTRAL rating with a revised target price of Rs163 (earlier 188).

### **Result Highlights**

- EBITDA at Rs37.7bn and Adj. PAT loss of Rs9.8bn; on weaker core GRMs and inventory losses and adventitious losses, while the marketing performance was impacted by an LPG subsidy burden of Rs 37.1bn Reported EBITDA and PAT are significantly lower than our and consensus expectations. The exceptional item of Rs11.57bn this quarter stems from IOCL's reversal of a previously created provision, following a favorable Supreme Court ruling on VAT Input Tax Credit.
- The **reported GRM** was ~USD1.6/bbl (USD6.39 the previous quarter, USD18.16 a year ago). The **core GRM** at USD3.11/bbl, (USD2.84 the prior quarter, USD16.35 a year ago). The **refining inventory loss** at USD1.51/bbl (a gain of USD3.55 the previous quarter, and a gain of USD1.81 a year back). **Refinery throughput** was 16.74mmt at 94.5% utilisation (103.7% the previous quarter, 100% a year ago).
- The integrated core EBITDA margins was USD2.6/bbl (USD1.9 the prior quarter, USD7 a year ago) lower our estimated USD4.1/bbl.
- The core marketing EBITDA (back-calculated) was Rs1.6/ltr (Rs1.1 the prior quarter, Rs0.3 a year back). The domestic marketing throughput was 22.96mmt, down by 1.2% YoY and 9.1% QoQ (vs. the industry's growth of 2.3% YoY and 6.4% QoQ). MS sales were 3.86mmt, up 5.2% YoY and down 2.6% QoQ, while diesel at 8.0mmt, down 4.3% YoY and 17.9% QoQ. Industry motor spirit and diesel sales were up 7.4%/0.1% YoY but down 2%/17.3% QoQ. The company has a negative buffer amounting to Rs 37.1bn as of Q2FY25 (Rs 88.7bn for H1FY25) pertaining to LPG subsidy. Product market share: The sales market shares of highspeed diesel and motor spirits both were marginally down at 39.9% and 39.4%.
- **Petchem EBIT** loss at Rs 916mn vs positive EBIT of Rs119mn loss the prior quarter, Rs 1.63bn a year back. This decline was due to weaker spreads and higher costs.
- Capex as per PPAC was Rs100.2bn (Rs 184.8bn for H1FY25) and FY25 target of Rs 310bn. The Rs 4.2bn forex loss impacted the quarterly profitability. Debt of Rs1,427.3bn was up Rs433.2bn YoY and Rs Rs268.8bn QoQ as there is a higher capex, dividend payment and weaker cashflows.
- H1FY25 performance: EBITDA at Rs 124.0bn (vs Rs 434.8bn in H1FY24) while Adj. PAT at Rs 16.7bn (vs Rs 267.2bn) and the reported GRM at USD4.08/bbl (vs USD13.12). The core GRM stood at USD2.97/bbl (vs USD12.6). The core integrated margins were at USD2.2/bbl vs USD8.2/bbl while the marketing EBITDA/ltr (Rs) was at 1.5 vs 2.9 in H1FY24.

#### **Valuation**

IOCL has a Rs25.3bn/Rs38.5bn sensitivity to a change of Rs0.5/ltr/USD1/bbl, respectively. At CMP, stock trades at 8.6x/7.2x/7.7x FY25e/26e/27e EV/EBITDA and 1.1x/1.1x/1.0x P/BV (excl. investments, it trades at 7.6x/6.4x/6.9x FY25e/26e EV/EBITDA and 0.9x/0.9x /0.8x P/BV). We maintain NEUTRAL rating with a revised target price of Rs163 (earlier 188).



Reco	:	NEUTRAL
СМР	:	Rs 147
Target Price	:	Rs 163
Potential Return	:	+10.8%

#### **Stock data** (as on Oct 28, 2024)

Nifty	24,339
52 Week h/l (Rs)	197 / 86
Market cap (Rs/USD mn)	2066078 / 24584
Outstanding Shares (mn)	14,121
6m Avg t/o (Rs mn):	4,738
Div yield (%):	7.0
Bloomberg code:	IOCL IN
NSE code:	IOC

#### Stock performance



#### Shareholding pattern (As of Sep '24 end)

Promoter	51.5%
FII+DII	37.4%
Others	11.1%

#### $\Delta$ in stance

(1-Yr)	New	Old
Rating	NEUTRAL	NEUTRAL
Target Price	163	188

#### $\Delta$ in estimates

(1-Yr)	FY25e	FY26e	FY27e
EPS (New)	11.6	14.9	12.9
EPS (Old)	12.2	14.9	12.9
% Change	(5.0)	0.0	0.0

#### **Financial Summary**

(Rs bn)	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Revenue	7,368.0	6,998.7	7,083.0
YoY Growth	(4.8)	(5.0)	1.2
EBIDTA	373.7	443.3	416.8
OPM %	5.1	6.3	5.9
PAT	163.6	209.9	182.8
YoY Growth	(58.7)	28.3	(12.9)
ROE	9.1	11.0	9.1
EPS	11.6	14.9	12.9
P/E	12.7	9.9	11.4
BV	130.7	138.6	145.5
EV/EBITDA	8.6	7.2	7.7

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**Exhibit 1: Actual vs estimate** 

Rs mn	Actual	Estimate		% Var	iation	Remarks	
	Actual	YES Sec	Consensus	YES Sec	Consensus	Remarks	
Sales	1,738,476	1,302,880	1,837,110	33.43	-5.37		
EBITDA	37,724	68,754	93,208	-45.13	-59.53	Weak refining and marketing	
EBITDA Margin (%)	2.17	5.28	5.07	-311bps	-290bps	performance; LPG subsidy burden continues to impact the earnings	
Adjusted PAT	-9,773	18,267	20,411	-153.50	-147.88	·	

### **Exhibit 2: Earnings snapshot**

Particulars (Rs mn)	Q2 FY24	Q3 FY24	Q4 FY24	Q1 FY25	Q2 FY25	y/y (%)	q/q (%)	H1FY24	H1FY25	y/y (%)
Revenue	1,797,398	1,991,040	1,979,782	1,932,355	1,738,476	(3.3)	(10.0)	3,772,664	3,670,831	(2.7)
Expenditure	1,584,268	1,836,153	1,875,431	1,846,008	1,700,752	7.4	(7.9)	3,337,895	3,546,760	6.3
-Raw Material	1,436,887	1,692,840	1,722,219	1,699,720	1,548,969	7.8	(8.9)	3,055,617	3,248,690	6.3
-Staff Cost	27,951	26,221	28,275	26,995	24,935	(10.8)	(7.6)	56,300	51,930	(7.8)
- Other expenses	119,430	117,092	124,937	119,293	126,847	6.2	6.3	225,978	246,140	8.9
Operating Profit	213,130	154,887	104,352	86,347	37,724	(82.3)	(56.3)	434,769	124,072	(71.5)
OPM(%)	11.9	7.8	5.3	4.5	2.2	-905 bps	-310 bps	11.5	3.4	-814 bps
Other Income	9,825	14,529	16,570	5,339	13,748	39.9	157.5	16,709	19,087	14.2
Depreciation	32,797	43,413	37,364	37,557	37,179	13.4	(1.0)	64,319	74,736	16.2
Interest	18,460	18,321	20,234	19,603	24,138	30.8	23.1	34,723	43,740	26.0
Excpnl Loss/(Profit)	-	-	-	-	11,573	n.a.	n.a.	-	11,573	n.a.
PBT	171,699	107,682	63,323	34,527	1,728	(99.0)	(95.0)	352,437	36,255	(89.7)
Tax	42,026	27,048	14,946	8,095	(72)	-	-	85,260	8,024	(90.6)
PAT	129,673	80,634	48,377	26,432	1,800	(98.6)	(93.2)	267,178	28,232	(89.4)
Adj PAT	129,673	80,634	48,377	26,432	(9,773)	-	-	267,178	16,659	(93.8)

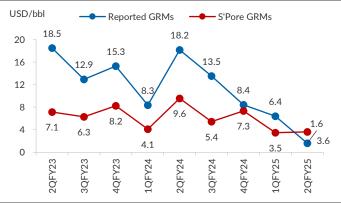
### **Exhibit 3: Operating highlights**

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Particulars	Q2 FY24	Q3 FY24	Q4 FY24	Q1 FY25	Q2 FY25	y/y (%)	q/q (%)	H1FY24	H1FY25	y/y (%)
Throughput (mmt)										
Refinery	17.8	18.5	18.3	18.2	16.7	(5.8)	(7.9)	36.5	34.9	(4.4)
Marketing (domestic)	23.2	24.6	25.3	25.3	23.0	(1.2)	(9.1)	47.7	48.2	1.2
Pipeline	23.9	25.2	24.6	25.8	24.0	0.5	(7.1)	48.8	49.8	2.0
Margins (USD/bbl)										
Reported GRMs	18.2	13.5	8.4	6.4	1.6	(91.2)	(75.1)	13.1	4.1	(68.8)
Inventory gain/loss	1.8	3.5	(2.2)	3.6	(1.5)	-	-	0.5	1.1	116.8
Core GRM	16.4	10.0	10.6	2.8	3.1	(81.0)	9.5	12.6	3.0	(76.4)
S'Pore GRMs	9.6	5.4	7.3	3.5	3.6	(62.1)	4.4	6.8	3.5	(47.5)
Marketing EBITDA (Rs/ltr)	0.3	1.5	0.8	1.1	2.0	511.4	84.1	2.9	1.5	(46.6)
EBITDA Integrated margin (USD/bbl)	7.0	5.3	4.7	1.9	2.6	(63.2)	35.6	8.2	2.2	(72.7)
Inventory gain/loss (Rs mn)										
Refining	19,942	40,784	(24,568)	40,352	(15,984)	-	-	11,733	24,368	107.7
Marketing	23,485	(27,831)	4,077	(3,578)	(18,004)	-	-	6,550	(21,582)	-

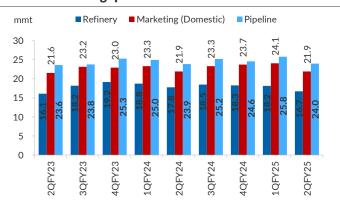


Particulars	Q2 FY24	Q3 FY24	Q4 FY24	Q1 FY25	Q2 FY25	y/y (%)	q/q (%)	H1FY24	H1FY25	y/y (%)
Rs mn										
Gross Debt	994,070	1,061,900	1,164,960	1,158,470	1,427,270	43.6	23.2	1,010,120	1,427,270	41.3
Forex gain/losses	(8,440)	(1,020)	(2,520)	(2,090)	(4,200)	-	-	(7,530)	(6,290)	-
Core EBITDA (Rs mn)	178,143	142,954	127,363	51,663	64,340	(63.9)	24.5	424,016	116,003	(72.6)
Marketing market share (%)										
HSD	41.7	41.9	39.7	40.2	39.9	(4.4)	(0.7)	42.0	40.0	(50.3)
MS	40.0	39.8	39.0	39.6	39.4	(1.7)	(0.6)	40.1	39.5	(1.6)

#### **Exhibit 4: GRMs**



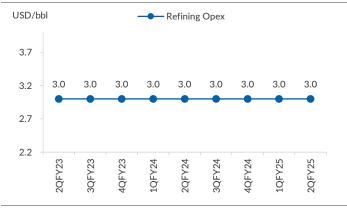
### **Exhibit 5: Throughput**



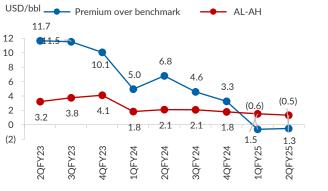
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### **Exhibit 6: Refining Opex**



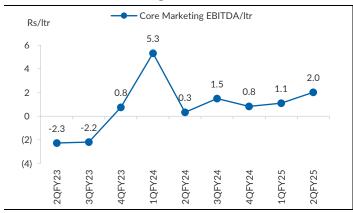
**Exhibit 7: Premium and AL-AH difference** 



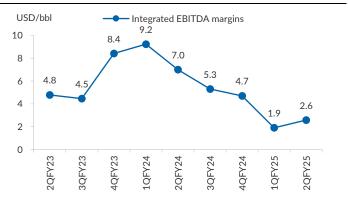
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**Exhibit 8: Core marketing EBITDA** 



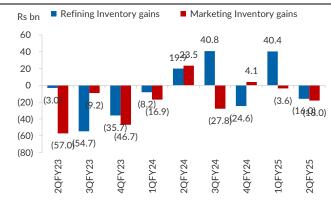
**Exhibit 9: Integrated EBITDA margins** 



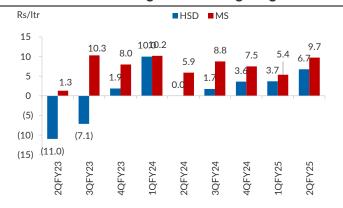
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Exhibit 10: Inventory gain / loss



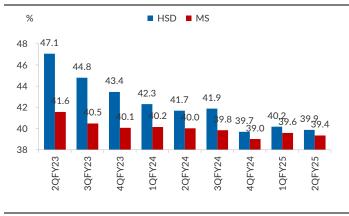
**Exhibit 11: Auto fuel - gross marketing margins** 



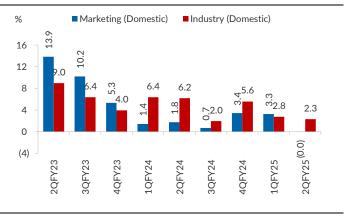
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Exhibit 12: Auto fuel - market share



**Exhibit 13: Marketing volume growth, YoY** 



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**Exhibit 14: HSD volume growth, YoY** 

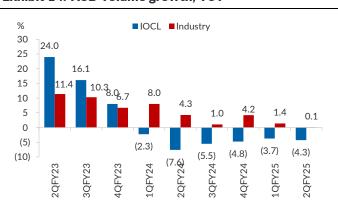
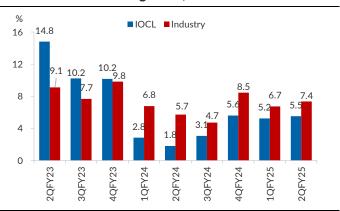


Exhibit 15: MS volume growth, YoY



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**Exhibit 16: Capex** 

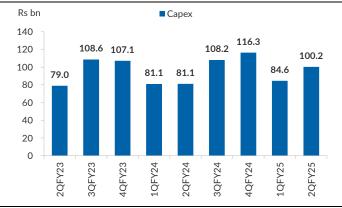
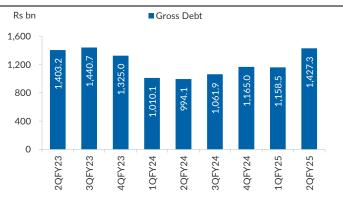


Exhibit 17: - Gross debt



Source: Company, YES Sec



### **VIEW & VALUATION**

### Maintain NEUTRAL with a TP of Rs 163/sh.

IOCL has a Rs25.3bn/Rs38.5bn sensitivity to a change of Rs0.5/ltr/USD1/bbl, respectively. Declared dividend of Rs 12/share in FY24 (8.2% dividend yield), an expectation of 4.1/4.8/4.1% in FY25e/26e/27e, would be key for shareholders. The BV/share for FY25e/26e/27e is at Rs 131/139/146 and debt: equity at 0.6x for FY25e/26e/27e.

At CMP, stock trades at 8.6x/7.2x/7.7x FY25e/26e/27e EV/EBITDA and 1.1x/1.1x/1.0x P/BV (excl. investments, it trades at 7.6x/6.4x/6.9x FY25e/26e EV/EBITDA and 0.9x/0.9x/0.8x P/BV). We maintain NEUTRAL rating with a revised target price of Rs163 (earlier 188) valuing it on a sum-of-parts basis (core business at 7.4x EV/EBITDA and investments at Rs26).

**Exhibit 18: Valuation table** 

EV/EBITDA method	FY27E EBITDA (Rs mm)	EV/EBITDA (x)	Fair Value (Rs mm)	Fair Value (Rs/share)
Standalone	416,791	7.4 x	3,084,250	218
Refining	101,207	7.4 x	748,930	53
Marketing	208,346	7.4 x	1,541,757	109
Petchem	33,915	7.4 x	250,974	18
Pipeline	73,323	7.4 x	542,589	38
Cash & Current Investments			105,452	7
Gross Debt			1,253,134	89
Standalone Equity Value (Using EV/EBITDA)			1,936,568	137
Listed Investments	Full Value (Rs mm)	Holdco discount (%)	Fair Value (Rs mm)	Fair Value (Rs/share)
ONGC (Upstream)	259,551	30%	181,686	13
PLNG (LNG Regasification)	62,250	30%	43,575	3
GAIL (Natural gas pipeline)	34,026	30%	23,818	2
CPCL (Refining)	53,545	30%	37,481	3
OINL (Upstream)	38,252	30%	26,776	2
Listed Investments Equity Value			313,336	22
Unlisted Investments			Fair Value (Rs mm)	Fair Value (Rs/share)
Vankor, Tass, Oman			26,454	2
Unlisted Investments Equity Value			26,454	2
Treasury Stock	34,268	30%	23,988	2
Equity Value			2,300,346	163



### Exhibit 19: P/BV (x) band, one-year-forward





### **FINANCIALS**

**Exhibit 20: Income statement** 

Y/e 31 Mar (Rs mn)	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Revenue	5,981,638	8,394,722	7,743,486	7,368,015	6,998,699	7,083,049
Total Expense	5,549,199	8,172,196	7,049,478	6,994,289	6,555,369	6,666,258
Operating Profit	432,438	222,526	694,008	373,726	443,330	416,791
Other Income	43,243	62,352	47,808	56,629	64,530	73,617
Depreciation	110,059	118,594	145,096	150,104	168,344	186,584
EBIT	365,622	166,284	596,720	280,252	339,517	303,824
Interest	48,291	69,303	73,278	64,057	62,182	62,357
Extraordinary Item	-	-	-	-	-	-
PBT	317,331	96,981	523,442	216,195	277,335	241,468
Tax	75,490	14,563	127,254	52,559	67,423	58,703
PAT	241,841	82,418	396,188	163,636	209,912	182,765
Adj. PAT	241,841	82,418	396,188	163,636	209,912	182,765
Eps	17.1	5.8	28.1	11.6	14.9	12.9

**Exhibit 21: Balance sheet** 

Y/e 31 Mar (Rs mn)	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Equity capital	91,810	137,716	137,716	137,716	137,716	137,716
Reserves	1,221,053	1,209,860	1,629,434	1,708,343	1,819,406	1,917,443
Net worth	1,312,864	1,347,575	1,767,150	1,846,058	1,957,122	2,055,159
Debt	1,194,628	1,415,500	1,258,667	1,188,667	1,183,667	1,195,667
Deferred tax liab (net)	136,274	146,130	166,371	166,371	166,371	166,371
Capital Employed	2,643,765	2,909,206	3,192,188	3,201,096	3,307,160	3,417,197
Fixed assets	1,913,349	2,144,761	2,399,324	2,438,511	2,570,168	2,683,584
Investments	596,824	556,763	712,103	712,103	712,103	712,103
Net working capital	133,593	207,682	80,761	50,482	24,889	21,510
Inventories	1,032,069	1,138,534	1,125,075	1,052,181	977,135	992,378
Sundry debtors	181,366	156,674	127,794	147,749	140,343	142,034
Cash & Bank Balance	8,830	7,730	8,322	6,201	21,756	10,143
Other current assets	150,953	194,551	199,788	199,788	199,788	199,788
Sundry creditors	424,853	486,764	515,010	491,018	455,996	463,110
Other liabilities	814,773	803,043	865,209	864,419	858,137	859,724
Application of Funds	2,643,765	2,909,206	3,192,188	3,201,096	3,307,160	3,417,197



**Exhibit 22: Cash flow statement** 

Y/e 31 Mar (Rs mn)	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
PBT	317,331	96,981	523,442	216,195	277,335	241,468
Depreciation & amortization	110,059	118,594	145,096	150,104	168,344	186,584
Interest expense	48,291	69,303	73,278	64,057	62,182	62,357
(Inc)/Dec in working capital	(41,874)	(61,663)	(41,057)	-	-	-
Tax paid	(136,342)	(73,325)	81,086	28,157	41,148	(8,233)
Less: Interest/Dividend Income Received	72,305	1,398	106,385	(52,559)	(67,423)	(58,703)
Other operating Cash Flow	(141,858)	58,565	(207,264)	-	-	-
Cash flow from operating activities	227,913	209,854	680,966	405,954	481,586	423,471
Capital expenditure	(43,229)	(41,374)	(42,847)	(189,291)	(300,000)	(300,000)
Inc/(Dec) in investments	44,377	57,114	41,533	-	-	-
Add: Interest/Dividend Income Received	(209,148)	(268,596)	(295,703)	-	-	-
Cash flow from investing activities	(208,000)	(252,856)	(297,016)	(189,291)	(300,000)	(300,000)
Inc/(Dec) in share capital	-	-	-	-	-	-
Inc/(Dec) in debt	134,847	135,810	(198,836)	(70,000)	(5,000)	12,000
Interest Paid	(42,018)	(63,158)	(73,886)	(64,057)	(62,182)	(62,357)
Dividend Paid	(108,960)	(33,094)	(110,218)	(84,727)	(98,849)	(84,727)
Others	180	(21)	-	-	-	-
Cash flow from financing activities	(15,951)	39,537	(382,940)	(218,784)	(166,030)	(135,084)
Net cash flow	3,962	(3,466)	1,010	(2,121)	15,555	(11,613)

**Exhibit 23: Du-pont analysis** 

Y/e 31 Mar (Rs mn)	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Tax burden (x)	0.8	8.0	0.8	0.8	8.0	0.8
Interest burden (x)	0.9	0.6	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8
EBIT margin (x)	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Asset turnover (x)	1.7	2.1	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.5
Financial leverage (x)	3.0	3.0	2.8	2.5	2.4	2.3
RoE (%)	20.0	6.2	25.4	9.1	11.0	9.1

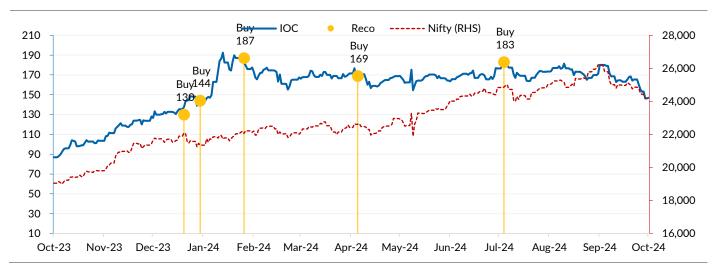


**Exhibit 24: Ratio analysis** 

Y/e 31 Mar	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Growth matrix (%)						
Revenue growth	58.2	40.3	(7.8)	(4.8)	(5.0)	1.2
Op profit growth	13.6	(48.5)	211.9	(46.1)	18.6	(6.0)
EBIT growth	11.4	(54.5)	258.9	(53.0)	21.1	(10.5)
Net profit growth	10.8	(65.9)	380.7	(58.7)	28.3	(12.9)
Profitability ratios (%)						
OPM	7.2	2.7	9.0	5.1	6.3	5.9
EBIT margin	6.1	2.0	7.7	3.8	4.9	4.3
Net profit margin	4.0	1.0	5.1	2.2	3.0	2.6
RoCE	15.1	6.0	19.6	8.8	10.4	9.0
RoE	20.0	6.2	25.4	9.1	11.0	9.1
RoA	6.7	2.0	9.0	3.6	4.6	3.9
Per share ratios						
EPS	17.1	5.8	28.1	11.6	14.9	12.9
Dividend per share	9.0	3.0	12.0	6.0	7.0	6.0
Cash EPS	24.9	14.2	38.3	22.2	26.8	26.2
Book value per share	93.0	95.4	125.1	130.7	138.6	145.5
Valuation ratios						
P/E	4.6	13.3	5.2	12.7	9.9	11.4
P/CEPS	3.2	5.5	3.8	6.6	5.5	5.6
P/B	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0
EV/EBIDTA	5.3	11.3	4.8	8.7	7.3	7.8
Payout (%)						
Dividend payout	52.6	51.4	42.8	51.8	47.1	46.4
Tax payout	23.8	15.0	24.3	24.3	24.3	24.3
Liquidity ratios						
Debtor days	11.1	6.8	6.0	7.3	7.3	7.3
Inventory days	59.7	48.5	58.6	56.8	56.5	53.9
Creditor days	25.1	20.4	25.9	26.2	26.4	25.2



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