Indraprastha Gas I BUY

Earnings beat on higher margin; volume growth muted

IGL's 1QFY25 standalone EBITDA, at INR 5.8bn, was higher than JMFe/consensus of INR 5.1bn/INR 5.5bn due to higher EBITDA margin at INR 7.4/scm (vs. JMFe at INR 6.1/scm) driven by lower cost of gas and slightly higher realisation. However, overall sales volume was 2% lower at 8.6mmscmd vs. JMFe of 8.8mmscmd due to weak PNG volume while CNG volume was in line. Hence, PAT at INR 4.0bn was also higher vs. JMFe/consensus of INR 3.3bn/INR 3.8bn. IGL's share of CUGL and MNGL's PAT was INR 808mn in 1QFY25 (vs. INR 815mn in 4QFY24). We maintain BUY (unchanged TP of INR 550) due to IGL's: a) decent pricing power, and b) steady volume growth story based on its existing lucrative NCR market and expansion into new, lucrative nearby cities and intercity traffic. At CMP, IGL is trading at consolidated FY26 P/E of 16.2x and FY26 P/B of 3.5x.

- EBITDA margin higher at INR 7.4/scm vs. JMFe of INR 6.1/scm due to lower cost of gas and slightly higher realisation: Gross margin was higher at INR 13.2/scm in 1QFY25 vs. JMFe at INR 11.8/scm (vs. INR 13.1/scm in 4QFY24) as: a) average cost of gas was lower at USD 10.5/mmbtu or INR 31.6/scm vs JMFe of USD 10.9/mmbtu (vs. USD 10.8/mmbtu or INR 31.6/scm in 4QFY24); and b) net sales realisation was higher at INR 44.8/scm in 1QFY25 vs. JMFe of INR 44.4/scm (and INR 45.3/scm in 4QFY24). However, opex normalising to INR 5.8/scm was largely in line (vs. one-off jump to INR 6.6/scm in 4QFY24). Hence, EBITDA margin was higher at INR 7.4/scm in 1QFY25 vs. JMFe of INR 6.1/scm (and vs. INR 6.6/scm in 4QFY24).
- Sales volume 2% below JMFe (down 1% QoQ) driven by lower PNG volume while CNG volume was in line: Sales volume at 8.6mmscmd or 786mmscm (down 1% QoQ and up 5.3% YoY) was 2% below JMFe as PNG sales volume reversed the strong growth of 4QFY24. PNG sales volume was 8% below JMFe and down 7.2% QoQ at 199mmscm (but still up 7.6% YoY) with domestic PNG volume at 61mmscm (down 6.8% QoQ but up 16% YoY) and industrial/commercial PNG volume at 92mmscm (down 11.2% QoQ but up 5.6% YoY). However, CNG volume was largely in line with JMFe at 6.5mmscmd or 587mmscm or (up 1.2% QoQ and up 4.6% YoY).
- Maintain BUY on decent pricing power and steady volume growth story: We maintain BUY on IGL (unchanged TP of INR 550) due to its: a) decent pricing power given that CNG is 45%/20% cheaper than diesel/petrol, and b) steady volume growth story based on its existing profitable NCR market and expansion into new, lucrative nearby cities and intercity traffic. At CMP, IGL is trading at FY26 consolidated P/E of 16.2x and FY26 P/B of 3.5x. Key Risks: muted volume growth and margin concerns due to rise in penetration of electric vehicles and/or cut in APM gas allocation, and sharp hike in HPHT/spot LNG gas price.

| Financial Summary (Stand | alone) | | | | (INR mn) |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Y/E March | FY23A | FY24A | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| Net Sales | 141,460 | 140,000 | 146,259 | 176,209 | 197,931 |
| Sales Growth (%) | 83.5 | -1.0 | 4.5 | 20.5 | 12.3 |
| EBITDA | 20,399 | 23,669 | 25,689 | 28,212 | 30,164 |
| EBITDA Margin (%) | 14.4 | 16.9 | 17.6 | 16.0 | 15.2 |
| Adjusted Net Profit | 14,452 | 17,481 | 18,738 | 20,576 | 22,016 |
| Diluted EPS (INR) | 20.6 | 25.0 | 26.8 | 29.4 | 31.5 |
| Diluted EPS Growth (%) | 9.9 | 21.0 | 7.2 | 9.8 | 7.0 |
| ROIC (%) | 22.5 | 21.9 | 21.3 | 22.1 | 22.5 |
| ROE (%) | 20.6 | 22.4 | 20.5 | 19.7 | 18.6 |
| P/E (x) | 26.6 | 22.0 | 20.5 | 18.7 | 17.5 |
| P/B (x) | 5.4 | 4.5 | 3.9 | 3.5 | 3.1 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 18.5 | 15.7 | 14.1 | 12.5 | 11.4 |
| Dividend Yield (%) | 2.4 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.0 |

Source: Company data, JM Financial. Note: Valuations as of 24/Jul/



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| Recommendation and Price Target | |
|---------------------------------|------|
| Current Reco. | BUY |
| Previous Reco. | BUY |
| Current Price Target (12M) | 550 |
| Upside/(Downside) | 0.3% |
| Previous Price Target | 550 |
| Change | 0.0% |

| Key Data – IGL IN | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Current Market Price | INR549 |
| Market cap (bn) | INR384.2/US\$4.6 |
| Free Float | 40% |
| Shares in issue (mn) | 700.0 |
| Diluted share (mn) | 700.0 |
| 3-mon avg daily val (mn) | INR1,909.0/US\$22.8 |
| 52-week range | 554/376 |
| Sensex/Nifty | 80,149/24,414 |
| INR/US\$ | 83.7 |

| Price Performance | | | |
|-------------------|------|------|------|
| % | 1M | 6M | 12M |
| Absolute | 15.6 | 26.2 | 16.6 |
| Relative* | 12.6 | 11.3 | -3.4 |

* To the BSE Sensex

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1QFY25 Result Review

Exhibit 1. Quarterly snapshot

| | 1QFY23 | 2QFY23 | 3QFY23 | 4QFY23 | 1QFY24 | 2QFY24 | 3QFY24 | 4QFY24 | 1QFY25 | % YoY | % QoQ |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|---------|
| Net Sales | 31,939 | 35,540 | 37,108 | 36,872 | 34,070 | 34,585 | 35,562 | 35,968 | 35,206 | 3.3 | (2.1) |
| Operating expenditure | 25,763 | 30,265 | 32,823 | 32,209 | 27,646 | 28,016 | 29,921 | 30,742 | 29,388 | 6.3 | (4.4) |
| EBIDTA | 6,175 | 5,275 | 4,285 | 4,663 | 6,424 | 6,569 | 5,641 | 5,226 | 5,819 | (9.4) | 11.3 |
| EBITDA Margin % | 19.3% | 14.8% | 11.5% | 12.6% | 18.9% | 19.0% | 15.9% | 14.5% | 16.5% | -233 bps | 200 bps |
| Depreciation | 857 | 914 | 925 | 938 | 989 | 1,022 | 1,018 | 1,108 | 1,143 | 15.5 | 3.2 |
| Other Income | 307 | 1,100 | 557 | 654 | 457 | 1,340 | 550 | 1,094 | 727 | 59.2 | (33.6) |
| PBT | 5,602 | 5,430 | 3,891 | 4,354 | 5,867 | 6,862 | 5,155 | 5,187 | 5,380 | (8.3) | 3.7 |
| Tax | 1,394 | 1,269 | 1,109 | 1,057 | 1,483 | 1,514 | 1,235 | 1,359 | 1,366 | (7.9) | 0.5 |
| PAT | 4,209 | 4,162 | 2,783 | 3,297 | 4,384 | 5,348 | 3,921 | 3,828 | 4,015 | (8.4) | 4.9 |
| EPS (INR) | 6.0 | 5.9 | 4.0 | 4.7 | 6.3 | 7.6 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.7 | (8.4) | 4.9 |
| Tax rate | 24.9% | 23.4% | 28.5% | 24.3% | 25.3% | 22.1% | 23.9% | 26.2% | 25.4% | | |
| Consolidated EPS (INR) | 6.9 | 6.1 | 4.8 | 5.7 | 7.5 | 7.9 | 6.8 | 6.2 | 6.9 | (7.8) | 10.9 |
| Source: Company, JM Financial | | | | | | | | | | | |

Exhibit 2. Operational details

| | 1QFY23 | 2QFY23 | 3QFY23 | 4QFY23 | 1QFY24 | 2QFY24 | 3QFY24 | 4QFY24 | 1QFY25 | % YoY | % QoQ |
|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|---------|
| Gas Volume | | | | | | | • | | | , | /0 40 4 |
| CNG Sales Volume (mmscm) | 540 | 560 | 559 | 550 | 561 | 575 | 582 | 580 | 587 | 4.6 | 1.2 |
| PNG Sales Volume-(mmscm) | 178 | 184 | 188 | 193 | 185 | 189 | 198 | 214 | 199 | 7.6 | (7.2) |
| Industrial/commercial Volume | 89 | 92 | 91 | 92 | 87 | 90 | 95 | 104 | 92 | 5.6 | (11.2) |
| Domestic Volume | 44 | 46 | 51 | 56 | 52 | 53 | 57 | 65 | 61 | 16.0 | (6.8) |
| Natural Gas volume | 46 | 46 | 46 | 45 | 45 | 46 | 46 | 45 | 46 | 1.9 | 1.3 |
| Overall Sales Volume-(mmscm) | 718 | 744 | 747 | 743 | 746 | 764 | 780 | 794 | 786 | 5.3 | (1.0) |
| Overall sales volume (mmscmd) | 7.9 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 8.2 | 8.3 | 8.5 | 8.7 | 8.6 | 5.3 | (1.0) |
| CNG Sales Volume (mmscmd) | 5.9 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.5 | 4.6 | 1.2 |
| Gas Volume growth (% YoY) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CNG Sales Volume (in KGs) | 62.7% | 14.9% | 7.8% | 8.1% | 4.0% | 2.6% | 4.2% | 5.4% | 4.6% | | |
| CNG Sales Volume (in scm) | 62.7% | 14.9% | 7.8% | 8.1% | 4.0% | 2.6% | 4.2% | 5.4% | 4.6% | | |
| PNG Sales Volume (mmscm) | 17.1% | 3.3% | 1.2% | 2.7% | 3.8% | 2.8% | 5.2% | 11.0% | 7.6% | | |
| Industrial/commercial Volume | 19.9% | 1.1% | -4.0% | 0.0% | -1.7% | -1.8% | 4.4% | 12.7% | 5.6% | | |
| Domestic Volume | -0.3% | 11.2% | 13.5% | 9.8% | 19.9% | 14.7% | 10.8% | 16.6% | 16.0% | | |
| Natural Gas volume | 33.5% | 0.5% | -0.3% | 0.0% | -1.0% | 0.1% | 0.5% | 0.8% | 1.9% | | |
| Overall Sales Volume (mmscm) | 48.4% | 11.8% | 6.1% | 6.6% | 3.9% | 2.6% | 4.4% | 6.9% | 5.3% | | |
| Gas Volume growth (% QoQ) | | | | | | | | i | i | | |
| CNG Sales Volume (in KGs) | 6.1% | 3.8% | -0.3% | -1.6% | 2.1% | 2.4% | 1.3% | -0.4% | 1.2% | | |
| CNG Sales Volume (in scm) | 6.1% | 3.8% | -0.3% | -1.6% | 2.1% | 2.4% | 1.3% | -0.4% | 1.2% | | |
| PNG Sales Volume | -5.3% | 3.3% | 2.4% | 2.5% | -4.3% | 2.3% | 4.8% | 8.2% | -7.2% | | |
| Industrial/commercial Volume | -3.5% | 3.4% | -0.3% | 0.6% | -5.2% | 3.3% | 6.0% | 8.6% | -11.2% | | |
| Domestic Volume | -14.2% | 5.5% | 10.8% | 9.4% | -6.3% | 0.9% | 7.1% | 15.1% | -6.8% | | |
| Natural Gas volume | 1.1% | 1.0% | -0.7% | -1.4% | 0.1% | 2.1% | -0.3% | -1.2% | 1.3% | | |
| Overall Sales Volume | 3.0% | 3.7% | 0.4% | -0.5% | 0.4% | 2.4% | 2.2% | 1.8% | -1.0% | | |
| IGL per unit break-up (INR/scm) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Realisation | 44.5 | 47.8 | 49.7 | 49.6 | 45.7 | 45.3 | 45.6 | 45.3 | 44.8 | | |
| Average cost of gas | 30.3 | 35.1 | 38.3 | 37.6 | 31.3 | 31.2 | 32.7 | 32.1 | 31.6 | | |
| Blended gross spread | 14.2 | 12.7 | 11.3 | 12.0 | 14.4 | 14.1 | 12.9 | 13.1 | 13.2 | | |
| Other expense | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.5 | 5.7 | 6.6 | 5.8 | | |
| EBITDA | 8.6 | 7.1 | 5.7 | 6.3 | 8.6 | 8.6 | 7.2 | 6.6 | 7.4 | | |
| Depreciation | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.5 | | |
| Interest exp net of other income | -0.4 | -1.4 | -0.7 | -0.8 | -0.6 | -1.7 | -0.7 | -1.3 | -0.9 | | |
| PBT | 7.8 | 7.3 | 5.2 | 5.9 | 7.9 | 9.0 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.8 | | |
| Тах | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | | |
| PAT Source: Company, JM Financial | 5.9 | 5.6 | 3.7 | 4.4 | 5.9 | 7.0 | 5.0 | 4.8 | 5.1 | | |

Source: Company, JM Financial

Assumptions and Estimates

| Exhibit 3. Key assumptions | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E | Comments |
|---|-------|--------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| GAS VOLUME BREAK-UP (mmscm) | | 1120 | | | 11202 | | Commenta |
| CNG | 1,847 | 2,209 | 2,298 | 2,528 | 2,730 | 2,949 | |
| PNG- Domestic | 182 | 197 | 227 | 250 | 275 | 303 | |
| PNG-Industrial/Commercial | 352 | 364 | 376 | 399 | 423 | 448 | |
| PNG-Sale to other CGD cos | 170 | 182 | 182 | 197 | 213 | 230 | |
| Total sales volume | 2,551 | 2,952 | 3,084 | 3,374 | 3,641 | 3,930 | |
| Internal consumption and normal loss | 65 | 76 | 79 | 86 | 93 | 101 | Normal loss is 1.4% and internal consumption is 1.2% of sales |
| Total quantity of gas purchased | 2,616 | 3,028 | 3,163 | 3,461 | 3,734 | 4,030 | |
| Total gas sold (mmscmd) | 7.0 | 8.1 | 8.5 | 9.2 | 10.0 | 10.8 | |
| Total gas purchased (mmscmd) | 7.2 | 8.3 | 8.7 | 9.5 | 10.2 | 11.0 | |
| Gas sales volume change Y-o-Y | | | | | | | |
| CNG | 36% | 20% | 4% | 10% | 8% | 8% | Factoring 8% grow th from FY26 onw ards |
| PNG-Domestic | 8% | 8% | 15% | 10% | 10% | | Expect 10% volume grow th to continue |
| PNG-Industrial/Commercial | 23% | 3% | 3% | 6% | 6% | 6% | Factoring 6% grow th from FY25 onw ards |
| PNG-Sale to other CGD cos | 29% | 7% | 0% | 8% | 8% | 8% | |
| Overall | 31% | 16% | 4% | 9% | 8% | 8% | |
| Gas sales volume composition | | | | | | | |
| CNG | 72% | 75% | 75% | 75% | 75% | 75% | CNG to continue to dominate gas mix with ~75% volume |
| PNG- Domestic | 7% | 7% | 7% | 7% | 8% | 8% | Domestic PNG segment share to be ~7% |
| PNG-Industrial/Commercial | 7% | 6% | 6% | 6% | 6% | 6% | Industrial segment share to be ~6% |
| PNG-Sale to other CGD cos | 14% | 12% | 12% | 12% | 12% | 11% | |
| GAS SOURCING & COST BREAK-UP | | | | | | | |
| Gas sourcing mix (mmscmd) | | | | | | | |
| A PM gas | 3.6 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 4.1 | |
| APMgas | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 4.1 | |
| Non-APM/RIL/Vedanta/Cairn HPHT gas | 2.5 | 3.0 | 3.5 | 4.0 | 4.2 | 4.4 | |
| Long term RasGas LNG | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.5 | Long-term contract that is valid till CY28 at 12.67% linkage to JCC |
| Eolig territida eda Elite | 0.0 | 1.0 | | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | crude price |
| | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 11 | Assumed 100% industrial and commercial segment demand to be r |
| Spot LNG/mid-term LNG | | | | | | | via LNG imports; hence, excess demand is met via spot LNG |
| Total gas purchased | 7.2 | 8.3 | 8.7 | 9.5 | 10.2 | 11.0 | |
| Gas cost (USD/mmbtu) | | | | | | | |
| APM gas/Uniform price gas from GAIL for | 4.2 | 8.0 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 7.8 | 8.0 | Based on domestic gas price formula |
| CNG/dom PNG | | | | | | | <u> </u> |
| Non-APW/RIL/Vedanta/Cairn HPHT gas | 5.5 | 11.2 | 9.8 | 9.8 | 10.1 | 10.4 | |
| Long term RasGas LNG | 10.0 | 18.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 | |
| Spot LNG/mid-term LNG | 16.0 | 30.0 | 13.0 | 13.0 | 13.0 | 13.0 | |
| Weighted average gas cost | 6.2 | 11.9 | 9.0 | 9.1 | 9.5 | 9.9 | |
| OVERALL MARGINS (INR/scm) | | | | | | | |
| Overall | | / - - | <i>i</i> = <i>i</i> | | | | |
| Net realisation | 30.2 | 47.9 | 45.4 | 43.3 | 48.4 | 50.4 | |
| Average cost of gas | 17.2 | 35.4 | 31.8 | 29.8 | 34.7 | 36.8 | |
| Blended gross margin | 13.0 | 12.6 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 13.7 | 13.6 | |
| Other expense | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 5.9 | |
| EBITDA | 7.4 | 6.9 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.7 | Expect EBITDA ~ INR 7.5-8/SCM as per management guidance |
| Depreciation | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | |
| Interest exp net of other income | -0.8 | -0.9 | -1.1 | -1.2 | -1.2 | -1.2 | |
| PBT | 6.9 | 6.5 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 7.5 | |
| Тах | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | |
| PAT | 5.1 | 4.9 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.7 | | Hence, expect PAT/scm at ~INR 5.5-6/scm |

Source: JM Financial, Company

Valuation

| Exhibit 4. Valuation | |
|--|----------|
| Terminal FCF (INR Mn) | 33,745 |
| Terminal Grow th Rate | 4% |
| WACC | 10.6% |
| Terminal Value (INR Mn) | 491,087 |
| PV of Terminal Value (INR Mn) | 188,381 |
| PV of Cash Flow (INR Mn) | 122,920 |
| Entreprise Value | 311,301 |
| Net Debt /(Net cash) | (35,815) |
| Equity Value excluding unlisted equity investments (INR Mn) | 347,116 |
| Add: Unlisted equity investments (15x CUGL and MNGL FY 23 PAT) | 38,045 |
| Total Equity value (INR Mn) | 385,161 |
| No of shares (Mn) | 700 |
| Valuation (INR) | 550 |

Source: JM Financial

If FY25 EBITDA changes by +/- INR0.2/scm, our valuation will change by +/- INR16/share (or +/-2.8%). Similarly, if FY25 volume growth changes by +/- 2%, our valuation will change by +/- INR 5/share (or +/- 0.9%).

| Exhibit 5. V | Valuation s | ensitivity to | volume g | rowth and | EBITDA m | argin | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-------|-----|-----|
| | | | FY25 v | olume gr | owth | | | |
| | | 3% | 5% | 7% | 9% | 11% | 13% | 15% |
| | 7.0 | 490 | 495 | 499 | 503 | 507 | 511 | 515 |
| AC ~ | 7.2 | 505 | 510 | 515 | 519 | 523 | 527 | 531 |
| /25 EBITD/ (INR/scm) | 7.4 | 520 | 525 | 530 | 535 | 539 | 543 | 548 |
| R/s | 7.6 | 534 | 540 | 545 | 550 | 555 | 560 | 564 |
| FY25 (INF | 7.8 | 549 | 555 | 561 | 566 | 571 | 576 | 581 |
| Ш | 8.0 | 564 | 570 | 576 | 582 | 587 | 592 | 597 |
| | 8.2 | 579 | 585 | 591 | 597 | 603 | 608 | 614 |

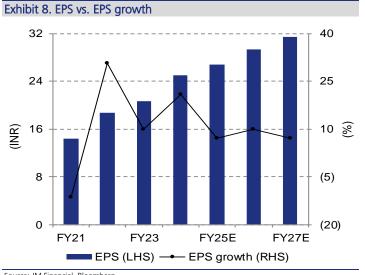
Source: Company, JM Financial

If FY25 EBITDA changes by +/- INR0.2/scm, our EPS will change by +/-2.0%. Similarly, if FY25 volume growth changes by +/- 2%, our EPS will change by +/- 0.8%.

| Exhibit 6. F | Y25 EPS so | ensitivity to | volume gi | rowth and | EBITDA ma | argin | | |
|--------------------------|------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|------|------|
| | | | FY25 v | olume gr | owth | | | |
| | | 3% | 5% | 7% | 9% | 11% | 13% | 15% |
| | 7.0 | 24.3 | 24.7 | 24.9 | 25.1 | 25.3 | 25.5 | 25.6 |
| AD C | 7.2 | 24.9 | 25.2 | 25.5 | 25.7 | 25.9 | 26.0 | 26.2 |
| 'Y25 EBITD/ (INR/scm) | 7.4 | 25.4 | 25.7 | 26.0 | 26.2 | 26.4 | 26.6 | 26.7 |
| R/s | 7.6 | 25.9 | 26.2 | 26.5 | 26.8 | 27.0 | 27.1 | 27.3 |
| (IN 725 | 7.8 | 26.4 | 26.8 | 27.1 | 27.3 | 27.5 | 27.7 | 27.9 |
| ĹL | 8.0 | 26.9 | 27.3 | 27.6 | 27.9 | 28.1 | 28.3 | 28.4 |
| | 8.2 | 27.4 | 27.8 | 28.1 | 28.4 | 28.6 | 28.8 | 29.0 |

Source: Company, JM Financial





Source: JM Financial, Company



Source: JM Financial, Bloomberg

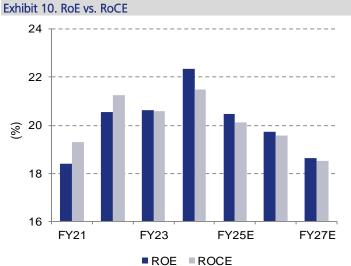


Exhibit 11. Global gas companies' valuation snapshot

| EXHIBIT IT: Globa | | | | пэпарэп | | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | | EV/EBITDA (x) | | | P/E (x) | | | P/B (x) | | | TDA Margins | | | ROE (%) | |
| Company | FY24/CY23 | FY25/CY24 | FY26/CY25 | FY24/CY23 | FY25/CY24 | FY26/CY25 | FY24/CY23 | FY25/CY24 | FY26/CY25 | FY24/CY23 | FY25/CY24 | FY26/CY25 | FY24/CY23 | FY25/CY24 | FY26/CY25 |
| US Peers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sempra Energy | 14.5 | 15.0 | 13.7 | 16.9 | 16.3 | 15.1 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 37.6 | 36.6 | 38.2 | 10.4 | 10.9 | 11.0 |
| Nisource | 12.6 | 11.4 | 10.2 | 19.2 | 17.7 | 16.6 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 38.7 | 42.0 | 43.6 | 10.7 | 9.3 | 9.1 |
| Atmos Energy | 12.4 | 11.2 | 10.0 | 18.4 | 17.6 | 16.4 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 46.4 | 46.1 | 47.9 | 9.0 | 8.6 | 8.4 |
| US peers average | 13.2 | 12.5 | 11.3 | 18.2 | 17.2 | 16.0 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 40.9 | 41.5 | 43.2 | 10.0 | 9.6 | 9.5 |
| European Peers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enagas | 9.5 | 9.9 | 10.7 | 11.5 | 13.1 | 14.4 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 82.4 | 82.1 | 79.5 | 10.1 | 4.9 | 9.5 |
| European peers average | 9.5 | 9.9 | 10.7 | 11.5 | 13.1 | 14.4 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 82.4 | 82.1 | 79.5 | 10.1 | 4.9 | 9.5 |
| Asian peers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ENN Energy | 6.2 | 6.1 | 5.6 | 8.5 | 8.6 | 7.9 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 11.9 | 11.3 | 11.5 | 17.4 | 15.7 | 15.7 |
| Tow ngas China | 8.7 | 6.7 | 6.0 | 7.4 | 6.6 | 5.7 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 14.2 | 18.4 | 19.3 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 7.0 |
| Hong Kong & China Gas | 13.5 | 14.2 | 13.4 | 19.6 | 18.3 | 17.2 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 21.1 | 21.1 | 21.4 | 9.5 | 10.9 | 11.6 |
| China Resources Gas | 7.5 | 7.2 | 6.5 | 10.8 | 11.2 | 10.1 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 13.5 | 12.8 | 13.1 | 13.8 | 12.4 | 12.8 |
| China Gas Holdings | 9.6 | 9.3 | 8.7 | 9.0 | 8.7 | 7.9 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 11.4 | 12.1 | 12.3 | 7.3 | 7.8 | 8.2 |
| Beijing Enterprises | 7.4 | 6.9 | 6.6 | 4.1 | 5.1 | 4.7 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 14.0 | 16.2 | 16.6 | 8.5 | 7.6 | 7.8 |
| Korea Gas | 13.0 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 52.8 | 5.9 | 5.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 7.5 | 10.6 | 10.8 | 1.3 | 6.4 | 7.0 |
| Petronas Gas BHD | 10.3 | 10.1 | 10.0 | 19.1 | 18.7 | 18.2 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 56.6 | 55.6 | 55.4 | 14.0 | 13.9 | 13.8 |
| IGL | 14.3 | 13.9 | 12.7 | 21.6 | 20.4 | 18.9 | 4.6 | 3.8 | 3.4 | 18.3 | 17.6 | 17.8 | 23.3 | 20.0 | 18.9 |
| MGL | 8.8 | 9.7 | 9.2 | 13.4 | 15.5 | 14.8 | 3.5 | 3.0 | 2.6 | 29.4 | 26.0 | 25.5 | 28.2 | 20.1 | 18.4 |
| Gujarat Gas | 23.2 | 19.5 | 16.6 | 41.6 | 32.3 | 26.8 | 5.8 | 5.1 | 4.5 | 12.3 | 13.2 | 13.9 | 14.7 | 16.8 | 17.9 |
| Petronet LNG | 8.6 | 8.3 | 7.6 | 15.0 | 14.2 | 13.2 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 9.6 | 9.9 | 10.2 | 22.0 | 20.5 | 19.6 |
| GAIL | 12.1 | 10.9 | 10.0 | 15.6 | 15.3 | 14.1 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 10.3 | 11.4 | 11.8 | 15.9 | 14.2 | 14.2 |
| GSPL | 12.2 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 14.4 | 21.3 | 19.8 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 72.9 | 84.3 | 78.8 | 12.8 | 7.5 | 7.8 |
| Asian peers average | 11.1 | 10.6 | 9.9 | 18.1 | 14.4 | 13.2 | 2.2 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 21.6 | 22.9 | 22.7 | 13.9 | 12.9 | 12.9 |
| Global peers average | 11.3 | 10.9 | 10.2 | 17.7 | 14.8 | 13.7 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 28.2 | 29.3 | 29.3 | 13.1 | 11.9 | 12.1 |
| Global peers median | 11.2 | 10.5 | 10.0 | 15.3 | 15.4 | 14.6 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 16.3 | 18.0 | 18.5 | 11.7 | 10.9 | 11.3 |

Source: Bloomberg, JM Financial

Financial Tables (Standalone)

| Income Statement | | | | (| (INR mn) |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Y/E March | FY23A | FY24A | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| Net Sales | 141,460 | 140,000 | 146,259 | 176,209 | 197,931 |
| Sales Growth | 83.5% | -1.0% | 4.5% | 20.5% | 12.3% |
| Other Operating Income | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Revenue | 141,460 | 140,000 | 146,259 | 176,209 | 197,931 |
| Cost of Goods Sold/Op. Exp | 104,360 | 98,131 | 100,549 | 126,374 | 144,414 |
| Personnel Cost | 1,882 | 2,266 | 2,493 | 2,692 | 2,908 |
| Other Expenses | 14,819 | 15,935 | 17,528 | 18,930 | 20,445 |
| EBITDA | 20,399 | 23,669 | 25,689 | 28,212 | 30,164 |
| EBITDA Margin | 14.4% | 16.9% | 17.6% | 16.0% | 15.2% |
| EBITDA Growth | 8.4% | 16.0% | 8.5% | 9.8% | 6.9% |
| Depn. & Amort. | 3,634 | 4,138 | 4,609 | 5,081 | 5,553 |
| EBIT | 16,766 | 19,531 | 21,080 | 23,131 | 24,611 |
| Other Income | 2,619 | 3,632 | 3,995 | 4,395 | 4,834 |
| Finance Cost | 106 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 92 |
| PBT before Excep. & Forex | 19,279 | 23,072 | 24,983 | 27,435 | 29,354 |
| Excep. & Forex Inc./Loss(-) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| PBT | 19,279 | 23,072 | 24,983 | 27,435 | 29,354 |
| Taxes | 4,827 | 5,591 | 6,246 | 6,859 | 7,339 |
| Extraordinary Inc./Loss(-) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Assoc. Profit/Min. Int.(-) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Reported Net Profit | 14,452 | 17,481 | 18,738 | 20,576 | 22,016 |
| Adjusted Net Profit | 14,452 | 17,481 | 18,738 | 20,576 | 22,016 |
| Net Margin | 10.2% | 12.5% | 12.8% | 11.7% | 11.1% |
| Diluted Share Cap. (mn) | 700.0 | 700.0 | 700.0 | 700.0 | 700.0 |
| Diluted EPS (INR) | 20.6 | 25.0 | 26.8 | 29.4 | 31.5 |
| Diluted EPS Growth | 9.9% | 21.0% | 7.2% | 9.8% | 7.0% |
| Total Dividend + Tax | 9,100 | 6,300 | 6,558 | 7,202 | 7,705 |
| Dividend Per Share (INR) | 13.0 | 9.0 | 9.4 | 10.3 | 11.0 |

| Balance Sheet | | | | | (INR mn) |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|----------|
| Y/E March | FY23A | FY24A | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| Shareholders' Fund | 70,866 | 85,517 | 97,697 | 111,071 | 125,381 |
| Share Capital | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,400 |
| Reserves & Surplus | 69,466 | 84,117 | 96,297 | 109,671 | 123,981 |
| Preference Share Capital | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Minority Interest | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Total Loans | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Def. Tax Liab. / Assets (-) | 3,168 | 3,695 | 3,695 | 3,695 | 3,695 |
| Total - Equity & Liab. | 74,033 | 89,213 | 101,392 | 114,767 | 129,077 |
| Net Fixed Assets | 71,673 | 79,954 | 85,624 | 90,827 | 95,565 |
| Gross Fixed Assets | 74,908 | 87,699 | 97,699 | 107,699 | 117,699 |
| Intangible Assets | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Less: Depn. & Amort. | 17,573 | 21,710 | 26,319 | 31,401 | 36,953 |
| Capital WIP | 14,337 | 13,964 | 14,244 | 14,529 | 14,819 |
| Investments | 6,773 | 11,576 | 12,734 | 14,007 | 15,408 |
| Current Assets | 39,314 | 39,676 | 47,075 | 57,767 | 69,238 |
| Inventories | 492 | 522 | 546 | 657 | 738 |
| Sundry Debtors | 9,034 | 10,185 | 10,641 | 12,819 | 14,400 |
| Cash & Bank Balances | 1,056 | 2,128 | 8,675 | 16,683 | 26,08 |
| Loans & Advances | 299 | 3,127 | 3,283 | 3,447 | 3,619 |
| Other Current Assets | 28,434 | 23,714 | 23,932 | 24,160 | 24,400 |
| Current Liab. & Prov. | 43,726 | 41,993 | 44,040 | 47,835 | 51,135 |
| Current Liabilities | 21,344 | 22,763 | 23,849 | 26,634 | 28,874 |
| Provisions & Others | 22,382 | 19,230 | 20,191 | 21,201 | 22,26 |
| Net Current Assets | -4,412 | -2,317 | 3,035 | 9,932 | 18,104 |
| Total – Assets | 74,033 | 89,213 | 101,392 | 114,767 | 129,077 |

Source: Company, JM Financial

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| Cash Flow Statement | | | | | (INR mn) |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Y/E March | FY23A | FY24A | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| Profit before Tax | 19,279 | 23,072 | 24,983 | 27,435 | 29,354 |
| Depn. & Amort. | 3,634 | 4,138 | 4,609 | 5,081 | 5,553 |
| Net Interest Exp. / Inc. (-) | -1,683 | -2,468 | -3,904 | -4,303 | -4,743 |
| Inc (-) / Dec in WCap. | 6,469 | -3,828 | 549 | 433 | 514 |
| Others | -560 | -685 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Taxes Paid | -4,833 | -4,871 | -6,246 | -6,859 | -7,339 |
| Operating Cash Flow | 22,306 | 15,357 | 19,992 | 21,787 | 23,340 |
| Capex | -11,221 | -12,021 | -10,279 | -10,285 | -10,291 |
| Free Cash Flow | 11,085 | 3,335 | 9,713 | 11,502 | 13,050 |
| Inc (-) / Dec in Investments | 8,248 | -1,022 | -1,158 | -1,273 | -1,401 |
| Others | -5,441 | 2,096 | 3,995 | 4,395 | 4,834 |
| Investing Cash Flow | -8,414 | -10,948 | -7,442 | -7,163 | -6,857 |
| Inc / Dec (-) in Capital | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dividend + Tax thereon | -13,586 | -3,337 | -6,650 | -7,293 | -7,797 |
| Inc / Dec (-) in Loans | 0 | 0 | 646 | 678 | 712 |
| Others | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Financing Cash Flow | -13,586 | -3,337 | -6,004 | -6,615 | -7,085 |
| Inc / Dec (-) in Cash | 306 | 1,072 | 6,547 | 8,008 | 9,398 |
| Opening Cash Balance | 750 | 1,056 | 2,128 | 8,675 | 16,683 |
| Closing Cash Balance | 1,056 | 2,128 | 8,675 | 16,683 | 26,081 |

Source: Company, JM Financial

| Dupont Analysis | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Y/E March | FY23A | FY24A | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| Net Margin | 10.2% | 12.5% | 12.8% | 11.7% | 11.1% |
| Asset Turnover (x) | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| Leverage Factor (x) | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| RoE | 20.6% | 22.4% | 20.5% | 19.7% | 18.6% |

| Y/E March | FY23A | FY24A | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| BV/Share (INR) | 101.2 | 122.2 | 139.6 | 158.7 | 179.1 |
| ROIC | 22.5% | 21.9% | 21.3% | 22.1% | 22.5% |
| ROE | 20.6% | 22.4% | 20.5% | 19.7% | 18.6% |
| Net Debt/Equity (x) | -0.1 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -0.3 |
| P/E (x) | 26.6 | 22.0 | 20.5 | 18.7 | 17.5 |
| P/B (x) | 5.4 | 4.5 | 3.9 | 3.5 | 3.1 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 18.5 | 15.7 | 14.1 | 12.5 | 11.4 |
| EV/Sales (x) | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 1.7 |
| Debtor days | 23 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 |
| Inventory days | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Creditor days | 27 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 30 |

Source: Company, JM Financial

| History of Reco | History of Recommendation and Target Price | | | | |
|-----------------|--|--------------|--------|--|--|
| Date | Recommendation | Target Price | % Chg. | | |
| 18-Jun-20 | Buy | 566 | | | |
| 27-Aug-20 | Buy | 505 | -10.7 | | |
| 11-Sep-20 | Buy | 510 | 0.9 | | |
| 11-Nov-20 | Buy | 520 | 2.0 | | |
| 10-Feb-21 | Buy | 640 | 23.0 | | |
| 25-Jun-21 | Buy | 635 | -0.8 | | |
| 13-Aug-21 | Buy | 635 | 0.0 | | |
| 9-Nov-21 | Buy | 635 | 0.0 | | |
| 8-Feb-22 | Buy | 555 | -12.6 | | |
| 18-May-22 | Buy | 500 | -10.0 | | |
| 9-Aug-22 | Buy | 500 | 0.0 | | |
| 5-Sep-22 | Buy | 500 | 0.1 | | |
| 24-Oct-22 | Buy | 500 | 0.0 | | |
| 25-Jan-23 | Buy | 500 | -0.1 | | |
| 12-May-23 | Buy | 570 | 14.1 | | |
| 23-Jul-23 | Buy | 570 | 0.0 | | |
| 2-Nov-23 | Buy | 500 | -12.3 | | |
| 25-Jan-24 | Buy | 470 | -6.1 | | |
| 7-May-24 | Buy | 470 | 0.2 | | |
| 7-Jul-24 | Buy | 550 | 17.0 | | |



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