HDFC BANK LIMITED

Stable margin, floating provision built up



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Price Analysis:

HDFC Bank reported mixed operating performance in 4QFY24. The slippages increased by 4.3% sequentially added by stable recoveries and upgrades, which resulted in improved GNPA ratio at 1.24%. The reported GNPA is below the historical trend of 1.4%. Furthermore, the contingent stands adequate. In 4QFY24, the provisioning expenses were higher sequentially at ₹135bn (v/s ₹42.1bn 3QFY24). At the same time NII growth was tepid sequentially (24.5% YoY, 2.1% QoQ) against the loan growth (55.2% YoY, 1.6% QoQ, merger impact). The bank reported NIMs stable at 3.63%. A stable opex (C/I ratio: 38%) and strong other income growth led to sequential improvement in PPOP. Thus, the bank has reported sequential increase in PAT by 0.9% along with ROA/ROE of 1.96%/15.1%. We expect marginal reduction in ROA/ROE for FY26E owing to higher C/I ratio and margin pressure. Therefore, adjusted the P/BVPS multiple. Nevertheless, we believe, superior underwriting practices, adequate coverage and strong capital position makes the bank well placed and thus, we recommend BUY with price target of ₹1,756.

Gazing the core:

ROA stable for the quarter: The bank's NII stood at ₹291bn; grew by 24.5% YoY and 2.1% sequentially driven by flat COF of 4.9% sequentially. The banks reported NIMs steady sequentially at 3.63% (However, below the pre-merger historical trend of 4.1%). Around 19% of balance sheet is from borrowings which used to be at ~8%. Hence replacing these with low cost deposits and debentures could drive margin improvement over-time. The AUM mix towards high yield loans could be the margin enhancer. Furthermore, in 4QFY24, the fee income grew by 15% QoQ. Other income was up by 63% QoQ led by Credila sale. PPOP grew by 57.2% YoY and 23.8% sequentially driven by 2.1% sequential NII growth, bulky treasury gain and stable opex (C/I ratio: 38%). The bank's provisioning expense stood sequentially higher at ₹135bn v/s ₹26.1.bn in 3QFY24. The provisioning expenses includes the contingent provision of ₹109bn pertaining towards floating provisions. Core credit cost stable at 0.42%. The bank has reported a PAT of ₹165.2bn; up 37.1% YoY and 0.9% sequentially. ROA and ROE stood flat at 1.96% and 15.1% respectively.

Key Financials (₹ mn)	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
NII	720,096	868,422	1,085,325	1,473,862	1,773,563
Operating Profit	640,773	704,050	943,874	1,207,895	1,330,261
Reported Profits	369,614	441,087	608,123	731,209	733,557
Net Worth	2,400,929	2,801,990	4,375,931	5,107,140	5,840,697
Loan & Advances	13,688,209	16,005,859	24,848,615	29,569,852	35,483,823
Int. Bearing Liabilities	17,440,346	20,901,602	30,419,394	35,925,651	42,952,867

Key Ratios (%)	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
NIM's	3.9	4.1	3.8	4.0	4.0
C/I Ratio	36.9	40.4	40.2	39.5	42.8
Gross NPA Ratio	1.2	1.1	1.2	0.6	0.4
PCR (%)	72.7	75.8	74.0	47.9	26.7
Adj. RoA Ratio	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.6
Adj. RoE Ratio	16.7	17.0	16.9	15.4	13.4

Rating	BUY
Current Market Price (₹)	1,531
12 M Price Target (₹)	1,756
Potential upside (%)	15

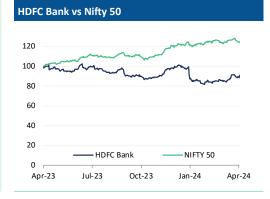
Stock Data	
Sector:	Banking
FV (₹):	1
Market Cap Full (₹ bn):	11,655
Market Cap Free Float (₹ bn) :	11,539
52-Week High / Low (₹):	1,758 / 1,364
BSE Code / NSE Symbol :	500180 / HDFCBANK
Bloomberg:	HDFCB IN
Sensex / Nifty:	73,088 / 22,147

Shareholding Pattern									
(%)	Mar-24	Dec-23	Sep-23	Jun-23					
Promoter	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.52					
FPIs	47.83	52.30	52.13	33.36					
MFs	23.17	19.45	19.71	17.60					
Insurance	8.11	9.07	8.74	7.63					
Others	20.89	19.18	19.42	15.89					

Source: BSE

Price Performance (%)										
(%)	1M	3M	6M	12M						
HDFC Bank	5.7%	4.1%	1.1%	-9.3%						
Nifty 50	1.5%	2.4%	12.9%	24.8%						

^{*} To date / current date : April 19, 2024





Deposit growth strong led by branch expansion: The bank's (post – merger) net advances stood at ₹24.8tn; grew 1.6% QoQ. Loan Mix carries: Retail (including business banking): 68%, Corporate (including overseas): 32%. The bank's deposit (consolidated) stood at ~₹23.8tn; grew 7.5% sequentially. Around 85% of new deposit was contributed by retail customer. The current quarter CDR at 104.4%. CDR, after removing merger effect would be 89%; whereas the bank's historical CDR range of 87% - 89%. There is expectation of CDR to go down progressively over several quarters. Hence deposit growth should be ~300bps addition to credit growth. The bank is confident to improve CASA ratio to long term average of ~42% against 38% as of 4QFY24. The bank's CRAR stood at 18.8% with CET-1 of 16.3%. Tier 2 CRAR improved to 2% v/s 1.6% in 3QFY24. The bank is adequately capitalized and sees no further dilution. The bank's RWA to total asset stood at 68% and LCR improves to 115%.

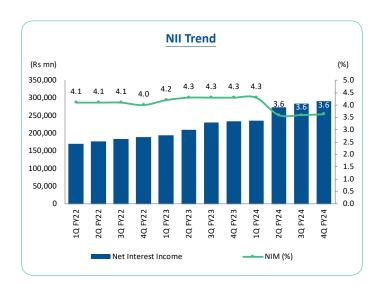
Credit quality overwhelming: The GNPA/NNPA/PCR of merged entity stood at 1.24%/0.33%/74% v/s 1.26%/0.31%/75% in the previous quarter. Additionally, the slippage ratio (calculated) of merged entity stood at 0.46% up sequentially from 0.44% of standalone bank in 3QFY24. The historical slippages ratio range is 1.5% - 2%. The upgrades and recoveries were ₹45bn stable sequentially. In 3QFY24, the bank has reported higher provisioning expenses of ₹135bn; up by 220.1% sequentially driven by provision of ₹109bn pertaining to floating provision. PCR (calculated) is stable at 74% and it is in line with the historical trend. Along with cumulative provision of ₹230bn, the bank also held floating provisions of ₹124bn and contingent provision of ₹149bn. Total Provision (Specific + Floating + Contingent + General) stood at 196% of GNPLs. The additional (COVID + contingent) provision stood 1.53% of the book.

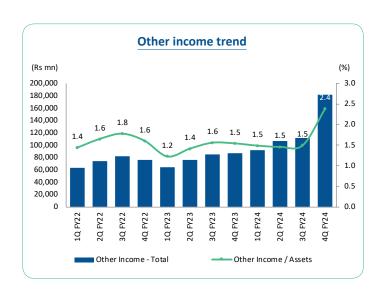
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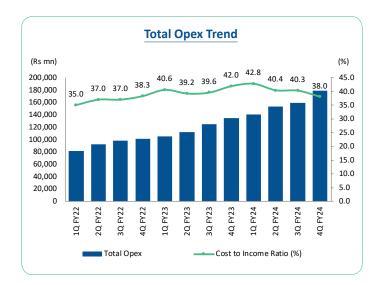
HDFC Bank is expected to overcome the merger overhangs gradually led by 1) healthy balance sheet growth, 2) much higher provision than regulatory requirement in the balance sheet, 3) best in class underwriting and risk management practices. Given these strengths we expect HDFC Bank to remain one of the best among all the lending businesses. Thus, we continue to maintain BUY rating on the bank with revised target price of ₹1,756.

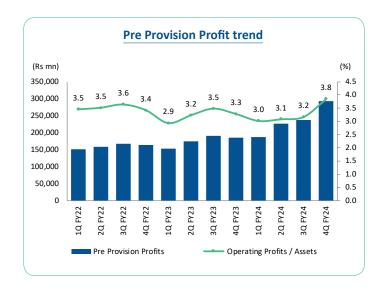


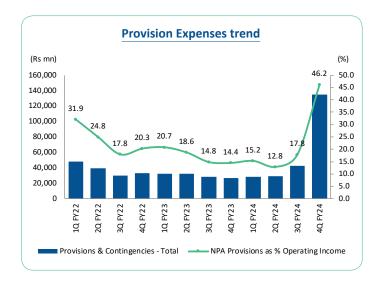
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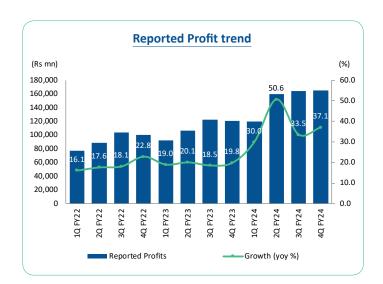






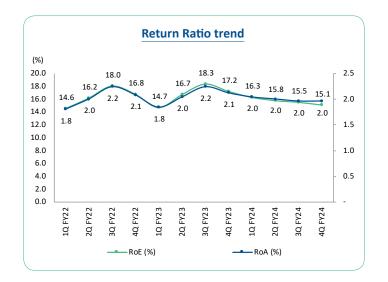


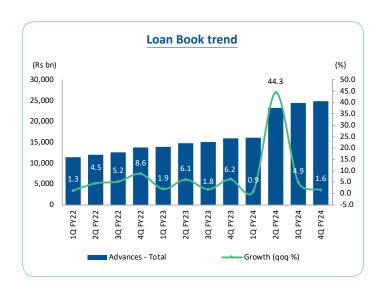


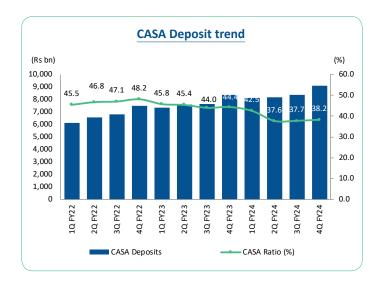


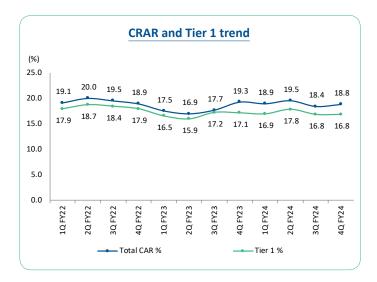


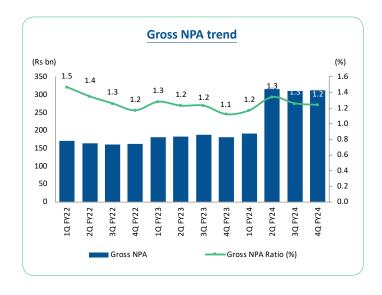
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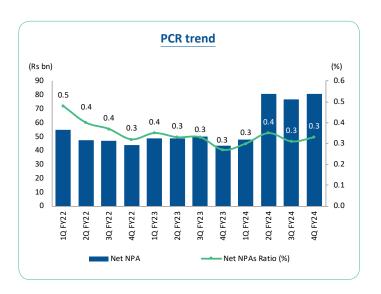














Recent Performance at a glance

Exhibit 1: Income Statement Analysis

(₹ mn)	4Q FY24	4Q FY23	% yoy / bps	3Q FY24	% qoq / bps	FY24	FY23	% yoy / bps
Interest Inc.	714,728	451,194	58.4	705,826	1.3	2,583,406	1,615,856	59.9
Interest Expenses	423,959	217,675	94.8	421,113	0.7	1,498,081	747,433	100.4
Net Interest Income	290,768	233,518	24.5	284,713	2.1	1,085,325	868,422	25.0
NII to Net Operative Income	61.5	72.8	(1,124)	71.9	(1,033)	68.8	73.6	(477)
NIM (%)	3.63	4.3	(67)	3.6	3	3.8	4.1	(25)
Other Income - Total	181,663	87,312	108.1	111,370	63.1	492,410	312,148	57.7
Other Income to Net Operative Income	38.5	27.2	1,124	28.1	1,033	31.2	26.4	477
Net Operating Revenue	472,431	320,830	47.3	396,084	19.3	1,577,735	1,180,571	33.6
Employee Expenses	69,362	43,621	59.0	53,518	29.6	222,402	155,124	43.4
Other Opex	110,326	91,001	21.2	106,093	4.0	411,458	321,397	28.0
Total Opex	179,688	134,621	33.5	159,611	12.6	633,860	476,521	33.0
Cost to Income Ratio (%)	38.0	42.0	(393)	40.3	(226)	40.2	40.4	(19)
Pre Provision Profits	292,742	186,209	57.2	236,473	23.8	943,874	704,050	34.1
Provisions & Contingencies - Total	135,116	26,854	403.2	42,166	220.4	234,921	119,197	97.1
NPA Provisions as % Operating Income	46.2	14.4	3,173	17.8	2,832	24.9	16.9	796
Profit Before Tax	157,626	159,355	(1.1)	194,307	(18.9)	708,953	584,853	21.2
Tax	(7,493)	38,881	(119.3)	30,581	(124.5)	100,830	143,766	(29.9)
Effective Tax Rate (%)	(4.8)	24.4	(2,915)	15.7	(2,049)	14.2	24.6	(1,036)
Reported Profits	165,119	120,475	37.1	163,725	0.9	608,123	441,087	37.9
RoA (%)	2.0	2.1	(16)	2.0	-	2.0	1.9	5
RoE (%)	15.1	17.2	(211)	15.5	(41)	16.9	17.0	(1)

Source: Company, LKP Research



Exhibit 2: Balance Sheet Analysis

(₹ mn)	3Q FY23	4Q FY23	1Q FY24	2Q FY24	3Q FY24	4Q FY24	QoQ % / bps	YoY % / bps
Net Worth	2,675,424	2,801,990	2,938,146	4,050,298	4,222,998	4,375,931	3.6	56.2
RoE (%)	18.3	17.2	16.3	15.8	15.5	15.1	(41)	(211)
Tier 1 %	17.2	17.1	16.9	17.8	16.8	16.8	-	(30)
Total CAR %	17.7	19.3	18.9	19.5	18.4	18.8	41	(46)
RWA - Total	15,362,720	15,866,350	16,708,990	21,742,260	23,865,000	24,680,000	3.4	55.5
Advances - Total	15,068,093	16,005,859	16,156,720	23,312,329	24,460,757	24,848,615	1.6	55.2
Investments	5,272,767	5,170,014	5,657,776	7,234,359	6,749,314	7,024,150	4.1	35.9
Total Assets	22,953,053	24,660,815	25,016,930	34,163,102	34,926,389	36,176,231	3.6	46.7
RoA (%)	2.24	2.12	2.04	2.00	1.96	1.96	-	(16)
Deposits	17,332,040	18,833,947	19,130,958	21,728,578	22,139,770	23,797,863	7.5	26.4
CASA Deposits	7,629,510	8,359,890	8,129,540	8,177,050	8,357,000	9,087,000	8.7	8.7
CASA Ratio (%)	44.0	44.4	42.5	37.6	37.7	38.2	50	(620)
Interest Bearing Liabilities - Total	19,439,661	20,901,602	21,225,186	28,896,328	29,516,758	30,419,394	3.1	45.5

Source: Company, LKP Research

Exhibit 3: Funding Profile Analysis

(₹ mn)	3Q FY23	4Q FY23	1Q FY24	2Q FY24	3Q FY24	4Q FY24	QoQ % / bps	YoY % / bps
Interest Bearing Liabilities - Total	19,439,661	20,901,602	21,225,186	28,896,328	29,516,758	30,419,394	3.1	45.5
Deposits	17,332,040	18,833,947	19,130,958	21,728,578	22,139,770	23,797,863	7.5	26.4
CASA Deposits	7,629,510	8,359,890	8,129,540	8,177,050	8,357,000	9,087,000	8.7	8.7
Saving Deposit	5,352,060	5,624,930	5,606,040	5,699,560	5,799,000	5,987,000	3.2	6.4
Current Deposit	2,277,450	2,734,960	2,523,500	2,477,490	2,558,000	3,100,000	21.2	13.3
Term Deposits	9,702,530	10,474,057	11,001,418	13,551,528	13,782,770	14,710,863	6.7	40.5
Borrowings	2,107,621	2,067,656	2,094,228	7,167,750	7,376,988	6,621,531	(10.2)	220.2

Source: Company, LKP Research

Exhibit 4: Asset Quality Analysis

(₹ mn)	3Q FY23	4Q FY23	1Q FY24	2Q FY24	3Q FY24	4Q FY24	QoQ % / bps	YoY % / bps
Total Slippages	66,000	49,000	58,000	202,638	70,000	73,000	4.3	49.0
Slippages Ratio (%)	0.48	0.36	0.36	1.27	0.44	0.46	2	10
Gross NPA	187,639	180,190	190,641	315,779	310,117	311,733	0.5	73.0
Gross NPAs Ratio (%)	1.23	1.12	1.17	1.34	1.26	1.24	(2)	12
PCR - Calculated (%)	73.2	75.8	74.9	74.4	75.3	74.0	(124)	(171)
Net NPA	50,243	43,684	47,769	80,728	76,641	80,917	5.6	85.2
Net NPAs Ratio (%)	0.33	0.27	0.30	0.35	0.31	0.33	2	6
Standard Restructured	64,000	50,000	42,650	51,287	-	-	-	-
Std. Rest. Adv. as % of Advances	0.4	0.3	0.26	0.22	-	-	-	-

Source: Company, LKP Research



Annual Projections

Exhibit 5: Profit and Loss Statement

(₹ mn)	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Int. Income	1,277,531	1,615,856	2,583,406	3,398,570	4,061,874
Interest Expenses	557,435	747,433	1,498,081	1,924,708	2,288,311
Net Interest Income	720,096	868,422	1,085,325	1,473,862	1,773,563
NIM (%)	3.92	4.05	3.80	3.95	3.98
Other Income - Total	295,099	312,148	492,410	521,954	553,272
Net Operating Revenue	1,015,195	1,180,571	1,577,735	1,995,817	2,326,835
Employee Exp.	120,317	155,124	222,402	318,860	457,152
Other Opex	254,105	321,397	411,458	469,062	539,421
Total Opex	374,422	476,521	633,860	787,922	996,574
C/I Ratio	36.88	40.36	40.18	39.48	42.83
Pre Provision Profits	640,773	704,050	943,874	1,207,895	1,330,261
PPP Growth (yoy %)	11.7	9.9	34.1	28.0	10.1
Provisions & Contingencies - Total	150,618	119,197	234,921	238,121	357,374
Credit Cost (As % of Op. AUM)	1.00	0.66	1.11	0.50	0.45
Profit Before Tax	490,155	584,853	708,953	969,774	972,887
Tax	120,541	143,766	100,830	238,564	239,330
Effective Tax Rate	24.6	24.6	14.2	24.6	24.6
Reported Profits	369,614	441,087	608,123	731,209	733,557
PAT Growth (yoy %)	18.8	19.3	37.9	20.2	0.3



Exhibit 6: Balance Sheet

(₹ mn)	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Equity Share Capital	5,546	5,580	7,597	7,597	7,597
Reserves (ex Revel. Reserve)	2,395,384	2,796,411	4,368,334	5,099,543	5,833,100
Net Worth - Ex Revaluation	2,400,929	2,801,990	4,375,931	5,107,140	5,840,697
Deposits	15,592,174	18,833,947	23,797,863	28,105,548	33,603,117
Borrowings	1,848,172	2,067,656	6,621,531	7,820,103	9,349,750
Interest Bearing Liabilities	17,440,346	20,901,602	30,419,394	35,925,651	42,952,867
Other Lia. & Prov.	844,075	957,223	1,354,379	1,829,408	2,394,693
Total Liabilities	20,685,351	24,660,815	36,176,231	42,888,727	51,214,784
Assets					
Cash & Cash Equivalent	1,523,269	1,937,651	2,191,474	2,608,224	3,127,863
Investments	4,555,357	5,170,014	7,024,150	8,364,114	10,007,763
Loan & Advances	13,688,209	16,005,859	24,848,615	29,569,852	35,483,823
Growth (yoy %)	20.8	16.9	55.2	19.0	20.0
Fixed Assets	60,837	80,166	113,990	148,736	177,753
Other Assets	857,678	1,467,125	1,998,002	2,197,802	2,417,582
Total Assets	20,685,351	24,660,815	36,176,231	42,888,727	51,214,784

Exhibit 7: Per share data

Y/E Mar	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Face Value	1	1	1	1	1
Adjusted Share O/S - For Calculation	5,546	5,580	7,597	7,597	7,597
Earnings Per Share	66.7	79.1	80.0	96.3	96.6
EPS (% YoY)	18.1	18.6	1.3	20.2	0.3
P/E (x)	23.0	19.4	19.2	15.9	15.9
Book Value	432.9	502.2	576.0	672.3	768.8
BVPS (% YoY)	17.2	16.0	14.7	16.7	14.4
P/BV (x)	3.5	3.1	2.7	2.3	2.0
Adj. BV	429.0	498.3	570.7	666.9	763.5
Adj. BV (% YoY)	17.4	16.2	14.5	16.9	14.5
P/ABV (x)	3.6	3.1	2.7	2.3	2.0

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Exhibit 8: Detail RoA Tree Analysis (%)

Y/E Mar	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Yields / Margins					
Yield on Advance	7.9	8.6	10.1	10.1	10.1
Yield on Funds	7.0	7.5	9.0	9.1	9.1
Cost of Funds (CoF)	3.5	3.9	5.8	5.8	5.8
Interest Spread	3.5	3.6	3.2	3.3	3.3
NIM's	3.9	4.1	3.8	4.0	4.0
Interest Income / Assets	6.7	7.1	8.5	8.6	8.6
Interest Exp. / Assets	2.9	3.3	4.9	4.9	4.9
NII / Assets	3.8	3.8	3.6	3.7	3.8
Fee Income / Assets	1.0	0.9	1.1	0.9	0.8
Other Non Core Income / Assets	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other Income / Assets	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.3	1.2
Net Operating Income / Assets	5.3	5.2	5.2	5.0	4.9
Operating Ratios					
NII to Net Operative Income	70.9	73.6	68.8	73.8	76.2
Other Income to Net Operative Income	29.1	26.4	31.2	26.2	23.8
Empl. Cost/Oper. Exps.	32.1	32.6	35.1	40.5	45.9
Other Op. Exps./Oper. Exps.	67.9	67.4	64.9	59.5	54.1
C/I Ratio	36.9	40.4	40.2	39.5	42.8
Provisions as % PPP	14.8	10.1	14.9	11.9	15.4
Credit Cost (As % of Op. AUM)	1.0	0.7	1.1	0.5	0.5
Effective Tax Rate	24.6	24.6	14.2	24.6	24.6
Employee Exp. / Assets	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.0
Other Opex/ Assets	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.1
Total Opex / Assets	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.1
Operating Profits / Assets	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.1	2.8
Exceptional Items / Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Op Profit ex Except Items / Assets	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.1	2.8
Provisions / Assets	0.8	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.8
Profit Before Tax / Assets	2.6	2.6	2.3	2.5	2.1
Tax Expenses / Assets	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.5
RoA	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.6
Leverage (x)	8.6	8.8	8.3	8.4	8.8
RoE	16.7	17.0	16.9	15.4	13.4
Adj. RoA	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.6
Adj. RoE	16.7	17.0	16.9	15.4	13.4



Exhibit 9: Balance Sheet Ratios

Y/E Mar	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Credit / Deposit Ratio	87.8	85.0	104.4	105.2	105.6
Incremental C/D Ratio	105.3	71.5	178.1	109.6	107.6
Investment Deposit Ratio	29.2	27.5	29.5	29.8	29.8
Dom. SLR Investment / Deposits	23.7	22.2	23.9	23.3	22.4
CASA Ratio	48.5	40.1	35.4	35.4	35.4

Exhibit 10: Asset Quality

Y/E Mar	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Slippage Ratio	2.4	1.8	2.5	1.4	1.3
Gross NPA (Cl Bal)	161,410	180,190	311,733	174,926	141,518
Gross NPAs Ratio (%)	1.2	1.1	1.2	0.6	0.4
PCR (%)	72.7	75.8	74.0	47.9	26.7
Net NPA (Cl. Bal.)	44,077	43,684	80,917	91,155	103,671
Net NPAs Ratio (%)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Total Impaired Loans	161,410	180,190	311,733	174,926	141,518
Impaired Loan as % of Loan / AUM	1.1	1.1	1.2	0.6	0.4
Total Risk Reserves	131,846	136,506	230,816	83,771	37,847
Total Risk As % of Loan Book	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.3	0.1

Exhibit 11: Key Assumptions & Forecasts

Y/E Mar	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Loan & Advances	13,688,209	16,005,859	24,848,615	29,569,852	35,483,823
Growth (yoy %)		16.9	55.2	19.0	20.0
Interest Bearing Liabilities	17,440,346	20,901,602	30,419,394	35,925,651	42,952,867
Growth (yoy %)		19.8	45.5	18.1	19.6
Yield on Funds	7.0	7.5	9.0	9.1	9.1
Cost of Funds (CoF)	3.5	3.9	5.8	5.8	5.8
Interest Spread	3.5	3.6	3.2	3.3	3.3
NIM's	3.9	4.1	3.8	4.0	4.0
Other Income Growth	17.1	5.8	57.7	6.0	6.0
C/I Ratio	36.9	40.4	40.2	39.5	42.8
Effective Tax Rate	24.6	24.6	14.2	24.6	24.6
Return Ratios					
Adj. RoA	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.6
Adj. RoE	16.7	17.0	16.9	15.4	13.4
Asset Quality Metrics					
Credit Cost (As % of Op. AUM)	1.0	0.7	1.1	0.5	0.5
Gross NPAs Ratio (%)	1.2	1.1	1.2	0.6	0.4
Net NPAs Ratio (%)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3

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