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IIFL Wealth | Target: Rs 2,277 | +36% | BUY

NDR takeaways - Spotlight on recurring revenue and new clients

SUMMARY

India Economics: Monthly Economic Buffet

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IIFL Wealth

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Daily macro indicators

Indicator	31-Aug	01-Sep	Chg (%)
US 10Y yield (%)	3.19	3.25	6bps
India 10Y yield (%)	7.19	7.22	2bps
USD/INR	79.46	79.56	(0.1)
Brent Crude (US\$/bbl)	96.5	92.4	(4.3)
Dow	31,510	31,656	0.5
Hang Seng	19,954	19,597	(1.8)
Sensex	59,537	58,767	(1.3)
India FII (US\$ mn)	29-Aug	30-Aug	Chg (\$ mn)
FII-D	(85.4)	(1.1)	84.3
FII-E	257.7	534.3	276.6

Source: Bank of Baroda Economics Research

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MONTHLY ECONOMIC BUFFET

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Global growth: Given the indication by flash PMIs for Aug'22, both manufacturing and services activity in US and Europe seems to be facing setbacks in the wake of elevated prices. While in US CPI remains sticky and PPI has begun to come down, they remain a concern in the Eurozone and UK. Looming energy crisis and fast approaching winter season can add to the woes of Europe. In the US, impact of aggressive rate hikes by the Fed is set to hamper growth. In addition, China's industrial production, retail sales, FAI, property investment, home sales, all registered weaker than estimated growth in Jul'22. However, supported by PBOC's stimulus measures, official PMIs (both manufacturing and services) are beginning to see a turnaround in Aug'22. But, sustaining the momentum will be the key, which remains tough task if demand from US and Europe falters.

Global Central Banks: Last month, number of developments around monetary policy guidance by major central bankers impacted the mood of the market. Most important of it was US Fed Chair's Jackson Hole speech, signalling that Fed will continue to aggressively hike rates until inflation is tamed. ECB officials too hinted that monetary policy tightening will continue even if there is a risk of recession. BoE raised rate by 50bps—biggest since CY95. On the other hand, owing to signs of troubles in the domestic economy, PBOC announced stimulus measures.

Key macro data releases: India's real GDP rose by 13.5% in Q1FY23, fastest pace compared to the last three quarters, despite an elevated base (20.1% in Q1FY22). While GVA rose by 12.7% in Q1FY23 against 3.9% in Q4FY22 and compared to 18.1% in Q1FY22. Sector wise, services outperformed.

CPI came in slightly lower at 6.7% in Jul'22, down from 7% in Jun'22. Food inflation moderated further, supported by softening prices of vegetables, meat and fish, oils & fats, and milk & milk products. Core inflation edged down by 30bps to 5.7% in Jul'22 on account of sharp dip in transport and communication. We believe RBI will hike rates by another 50bps during the year. Going forward, we expect India's 10Y yield to trade in the range of 7.20-7.30% in the coming fortnight. We also expect the rupee to trade in the RS 79.75-80.0/\$ range in the near-term.

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Diversified Financials

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Takeaways from roadshow with Karan Bhagat, the Founder, MD & CEO of IIFL Wealth:

Focus on ARR, net flows: IIFL Wealth has successfully scaled its annual recurring revenue (ARR) business over the last three years and aims to have 80-85% of its topline from recurring streams vs. 68-72% currently. Net flows totalled ~Rs 60bn in Q1FY23, but management expects to close the year relatively higher given guarterly deviations. We forecast net flows (net new money) of Rs 340bn/Rs 405bn/Rs 452bn by end-FY23/FY24/FY25 with AUM reaching Rs 3.1tn/Rs 3.8tn/Rs 4.5tn.

Cyclicity to reduce further: Cyclicity has reduced and the company aims to further smooth revenue flows by building up ARR, ensuring a favourable asset mix of both debt and equity, and garnering traction in the alternate investment space.

Thrust on mid-market category: The Rs 50mn-250mn mid-market client category is typically dominated by distribution whereas IIFL Wealth's Rs 250mn-500mn business is a mix of distribution and advisory. Those above Rs 500mn are targeted to eventually move towards advisory services. The company is entering the Rs 50mn-250mn arena in Apr'23 and intends to service the space in the phygital (physical + digital) mode, thereby potentially doubling the span of control from 30 clients to 50-60. Management believes its Rs 250mn+ client base will favour physical meetings.

Growing client awareness: Clients above Rs 250mn (potential to become Rs 500mn in three years) now have clear expectations of delivery and are moving towards advisory services. Also, investments are increasingly being directed toward direct plans.

Low attrition: Per management, attrition is low in the company's senior relationship and investment teams. The focus is on replacing departures with the right candidates so that clients stay connected to the platform. Attrition on the client side is also low.

Maintain BUY: IIFL Wealth is trading at 18x FY24E EPS and appears undervalued. We retain BUY with a TP of Rs 2,277 set at 25x FY24E EPS – a 10% premium to the 3Y average given a robust model, strong fundamentals and supportive macro climate.

Key changes

	Target	Rating		
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Ticke	er/Price	IIFLWAM IN/Rs 1,678		
Market cap		US\$ 1.9bn		
Free float		77%		
3M ADV		US\$ 0.8mn		
52wk high/low		Rs 1,908/Rs 1,236		
Prom	noter/FPI/DII	23%/22%/3%		

Source: NSE | Price as of 1 Sep 2022

Kev financials

FY22P	FY23E	FY24E
7,513	9,271	10,947
54.9	23.4	18.1
5,818	6,954	8,210
64.1	77.1	91.1
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26.2	21.8	18.4
5.8	4.9	4.0
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Source: Company, Bloomberg, BOBCAPS Research | P - Provisional

Stock performance



Source: NSE





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BUY – Expected return >+15%

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