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WPI inflation slows

TECH MAHINDRA | TARGET: Rs 1,539 | +5% | HOLD

Steady progress towards its FY27 margin goal

ICICI PRUDENTIAL LIFE | TARGET: Rs 736 | +23% | BUY

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PERSISTENT SYSTEMS | TARGET: Rs 3,694 | -31% | SELL

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SUMMARY

INDIA ECONOMICS: WPI

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Food grain inflation remains subdued, led by pulses. Amongst cereals, paddy prices have declined even more in Sep'25. Under manufactured products, basis metals, other manufacturing and other transport equipment led inflation higher. Within basic metals, aluminium and copper are facing upward pressure (in contrast to international prices). Slower pace of deflation in fuel inflation was driven by mineral oil index, tracking trend in international oil prices. However, more recently, oil prices have been cooling down, which could have positive impact on headline WPI as well. Going forward, international commodity prices may come down, given revival in trade tensions between US and China and the impact of government shutdown on US economy.

Food inflation remains on downward trajectory:

Headline WPI inflation was at 0.1% in Sep'25 versus at 1.9% in Sep'24 and 0.5% in Aug'25. Compared to last year (Sep'24), food inflation contracted again by (-) 2% versus 9.8% in Sep'24. Vegetable inflation index declined for the 8th consecutive month in Sep'25, and fell by (-) 24.4%, much sharper than 49% increase noted during the same period last year. This was helped by decline in index for potato, onion, tomato, cabbage, cucumber and bitter gourd etc. Index for spices and condiments (-16.9% versus -4.3%) and fruits (-4.1% versus 12.2%) too declined. On the other hand, index for milk (3% versus 2.9%) and eggs, meat and fish (1.3% versus -0.9%) inched up. Food grain inflation remained lower, as the index declined in Sep'25 (-3.8% versus 9.4%), led by sharp decline in inflation index for pulses (-17.2% versus 12.9%). Cereals also registered deflation, mainly due to movement in paddy inflation (-1.5% versus 8.8% in Sep'24). Wheat inflation eased less sharply (3.0% versus 7.7%). Comparing cereal prices on a global level (World Bank's pink sheet) shows that domestic prices are following international trend. Paddy prices internationally have fallen by (-) 34.5% in Sep'25, versus (-) 7.1% decline noted in Sep'24. Wheat prices on the other hand are falling at a slower pace (-9.9% versus -10.3%).





HOLD TP: Rs 1,539 | △ 5%

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Midway through its 3-year journey more confident on margins than on the revenue growth part: It had set itself the goal of achieving 15% EBIT margin and peer set beating revenue growth in FY27. Six quarters into the journey, the new management seems to be more confident about the margin part than the revenue part. While it stated that it expects both industry and Tech Mahindra (TML) to grow faster in FY27 versus FY26, it does not expect a sharp pick up.

2QFY26 broadly in line: 1.6% QoQ CC growth (strongest in the last 10 quarters) was in line while 12.1% EBIT margin was 60bps stronger than our estimate. Growth QoQ was driven by manufacturing, BFSI and Retail, logistics and transport verticals Communication and Technology, Media and Entertainment (TME) verticals were drags.

TCV is at the upper end of guidance: US\$815mn is flat QoQ but up 35% YoY and is at the upper end of the US\$600-800mn range indicated by TML. This number (all of it net new) is commendable considering the muted demand environment. It should also be seen in the context of new management's emphasis on better quality deals from both a margin and risk perspective to deliver consistent and profitable growth.

Not much impact from H1-B: TML stated that only 1% of its employee base and 30% of its US employees are on H1-B visas and it does not see a material impact on it from the issue.

Al – has better credentials that some its peers: It is the only Indian company working on LLMs, has 300 plus Al agents and Tech M Orion, the Al platform – all of which we believe has created a differentiated positioning.

Consensus still does not expect TML to deliver 15% EBIT margin in FY27: We think that is quite possible through the various internal initiatives that the company has taken despite the demand environment not being as supportive as was initially planned.

Key changes

Target	Rating	
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Ticker/Price	TECHM IN/Rs 1,468
Market cap	US\$ 14.7bn
Free float	65%
3M ADV	US\$ 31.1mn
52wk high/low	Rs 1,808/Rs 1,209
Promoter/FPI/DII	35%/23%/32%

Source: NSE | Price as of 14 Oct 2025

Key financials

Y/E 31 Mar	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E
Total revenue (Rs mn)	529,883	557,391	602,552
EBITDA (Rs mn)	69,911	86,941	112,323
Adj. net profit (Rs mn)	42,818	54,001	74,787
Adj. EPS (Rs)	47.8	61.2	84.8
Consensus EPS (Rs)	47.8	59.6	74.1
Adj. ROAE (%)	15.8	19.7	26.8
Adj. P/E (x)	30.7	24.0	17.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	19.7	15.8	12.3
Adj. EPS growth (%)	80.6	28.0	38.5

Source: Company, Bloomberg, BOBCAPS Research

Stock performance



Source: NSE





BUY TP: Rs 736 | ∧ 23%

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Insurance

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VNB margin continues to expand: ICICI Pru Life reported VNB margin at 24.44% in Q2FY26 vs 23.41% in Q2FY25, an increase of 103bps YoY, vs 24.52% in Q1FY26. This was largely driven by favourable product mix and cost rationalisation. Share of protection in the product mix, which is the most profitable (high margin) segment increased significantly to 17.3% vs 16.8% in Q2FY25, an expansion of 49bps YoY (up 194bps YoY in H1FY26). Additionally, its share in non-linked and group grew by 300bps YoY and 330bps YoY respectively in Q2FY26. However, the margin expansion was partly offset by decline in the annuity share by ~390bps YoY. Absolute VNB was largely flat (up 1% YoY) in Q2FY26 at Rs 5,920 mn. The company reiterated its continued focus on driving absolute VNB growth.

Impact of GST rate cut: Key discussion revolved around the GST rate cut and the changes in input tax credit (ITC), along with its potential impact on the business. Following the implementation of GST rate cut on Sep 22, 2025, several questions emerged regarding its effect on EV, VNB, commission renegotiations, and possible product-level changes. The management, however, did not provide a definitive response. It reiterated that the estimated impact on EV is likely to be ~1%, which has been factored into the H1FY26 EV of Rs 505.01 bn. Since the GST rate cut was effective for only the last seven days of September, the immediate impact was limited, and IPRU continues to witness healthy policy sales. Additionally, management mentioned that discussions with distributors regarding commission payouts are ongoing. IPRU expects the full impact of GST rate cut to be reflected in the full-year EV through assumption changes.

Maintain BUY on IPRU: The company witnessed pressure on business growth owing to disallowance of ITC which the management believes is a long-term positive despite short term pressure. Some impact was therefore reflected in the VNB and EV for H1FY26, while the full impact is expected to be captured in the full-year EV. Further, with ongoing active commission renegotiations and continued cost optimisation efforts, it expects its margins to improve, aided by favourable product mix. Hence, we maintain BUY on IPRU with TP of Rs 736 (earlier Rs 801), implying 1.6x its Sept'27 P/EV.

Key changes

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Ticker/Price	IPRU IN/Rs 598
Market cap	US\$ 9.7bn
Free float	27%
3M ADV	US\$ 8.3mn
52wk high/low	Rs 777/Rs 526
Promoter/FPI/DII	73%/15%/7%

Source: NSE | Price as of 14 Oct 2025

Key financials

Y/E 31 Mar	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E
NBP (Rs mn)	2,32,306	2,41,085	2,79,659
APE (Rs mn)	1,04,070	1,10,835	1,28,568
VNB (Rs mn)	23,700	26,489	31,113
Embedded Value (Rs mn)	4,79,510	5,44,447	6,19,332
VNB margin (%)	22.8	23.9	24.2
EVPS (Rs)	332.3	377.7	430.9
EPS (Rs)	8.2	11.0	13.3
Consensus EPS (Rs)	-	-	-
P/EV (x)	1.8	1.6	1.4

Source: Company, Bloomberg, BOBCAPS Research

Stock performance



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Strong 2QFY26 performance: Delivered 4.4% QoQ CC revenue growth (our estimate 4%). Driven by strong growth in BFSI and healthcare. EBIT margin at 16.3%, a positive surprise (our estimate 15.5%) on the back of lower software license costs (+80bps QoQ).

Strong execution along with AI capabilities seem to be driving out performance: Strong execution on both delivery as well as sales fronts and the SASVA platform (backed by 75 patents) seem to be the key differentiator that has led to PSYS delivering Tier-2 leading revenue growth and margins.

Cost takeout and vendor consolidation deals will impact margins for Tier-2 players: With very little discretionary spending and the market largely driven by cost take out and vendor consolidation driven deals and clients wanting to work with vendors who can provide multi-tower services at the lowest cost, Tier-2 players like PSYS are at small disadvantage. This will force them to bid aggressively, impacting margins. This is already visible in the form of delayed salary hike in FY26, keeping utilization (including trainees) high at ~88-89%, reversing some of its earn out provisions (FY25), changing depreciation policy (FY25), etc.

Margin may not be a big lever to drive EPS growth from here on: Believe EBIT margins at 15-16% are high when compared to its peer set (which are at 13-15%) and even some of the Tier-1 companies. EPS growth, which benefited from margin expansion during the last 5 years, will now be solely dependent on revenue growth

At 42x valuation is not appealing: We broadly maintain estimates for FY27/FY28 and attach a 23.8x Sept 27 EPS to arrive at TP of Rs3694. The 23.8x is at a 25% premium to the target PE multiple given to TCS, our industry benchmark. At 42x 12 forward multiple believe the valuation is excessive and the street is being over optimistic about its earnings prospects in the medium to long term.

Key changes

Target	Rating	
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Ticker/Price	PSYS IN/Rs 5,338	
Market cap	US\$ 9.4bn	
Free float	68%	
3M ADV	US\$ 30.9mn	
52wk high/low	Rs 6,789/Rs 4,149	
Promoter/FPI/DII	31%/21%/31%	

Source: NSE | Price as of 14 Oct 2025

Key financials

Y/E 31 Mar	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E
Total revenue (Rs mn)	119,387	144,728	173,993
EBITDA (Rs mn)	20,581	27,038	32,872
Adj. net profit (Rs mn)	14,001	18,236	21,917
Adj. EPS (Rs)	90.2	116.7	140.2
Consensus EPS (Rs)	90.2	113.2	137.4
Adj. ROAE (%)	24.8	26.3	26.8
Adj. P/E (x)	59.2	45.8	38.1
EV/EBITDA (x)	40.8	31.1	25.8
Adj. EPS growth (%)	26.7	29.3	20.1

Source: Company, Bloomberg, BOBCAPS Research

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