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BUY

The tough get going...

Yet again, CIFC outperformed across operational parameters, amidst an increasingly tough economic environment. Maintain BUY with a TP of Rs 372 (3.5x Jun-21E ABV).

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE QUARTER

- Diversification across geographies and verticals aided the sustenance of strong disbursals momentum. Disbursals grew ~22% YoY (-4% QoQ, seasonal), led by VF (+21% YoY and -5% QoQ) and a sharp sequential growth in the HE segment (13% of disbursals, +17/7%). Performance, yet again, is more impressive contextually, as the auto industry reels under a serious slowdown and overall liquidity for NBFCs remains tight. Further, underwriting standards were undiluted.
- Slight deterioration in asset quality was seasonal (Gross Stage III up ~27bps QoQ to 2.97%) and visible across both the VF (+32bps QoQ) and HE (+38bps QoQ) segments. Improvement occured on a YoY basis, especially in the HE segment (-97bps). CIFC's VF asset quality remains the best across asset financiers. We

- have built in a slight deterioration in asset quality over FY20-21E as macros appears increasingly challenging.
- Slight sequential deterioration in NIMs to 6.7% (-10bps QoQ) as the CoF rose (+50/20bps) in addition to the burden of higher liquid assets (~Rs 53bn in cash and cash equivalents). In spite of the rising share of higher yielding loans, we have built in stable NIMs of 6.2% over FY20-21E. The carry associated with higher liquid assets may become structurally entrenched in margins, as the RBI may fix LCR norms for NBFCs.
- Near-term outlook: Stellar all round performance should keep the stock buoyant.

STANCE

Growing polarization in the NBFC space (stemming from better parentage and access to funds) has enabled CIFC to sustainably outperform peers across operating metrics. Diversification across products and geographies along with superior underwriting practices and focus on collections pave the way for sustained outperformance. However, with deteriorating macros, asset quality (across asset financiers) will be watched.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

(Rs mn)	1QFY20	1QFY19	YoY (%)	4QFY19	QoQ (%)	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Net Interest Income	9,425	8,107	16.3	8986.7	4.9	29,765	36,046	42,864	49,825
PPOP	5,925	5,293	11.9	5,169	14.6	21,344	25,848	30,702	35,201
PAT	3,065	3,003	2.1	2,815	8.9	11,862	14,101	16,753	19,894
EPS (Rs)	3.9	3.8	2.1	3.6	8.9	15.2	18.0	21.4	25.4
ROAE (%)						21.1	20.7	20.4	20.2
ROAA (%)						2.34	2.26	2.32	2.40
Adj. BVPS (Rs)						72.0	83.9	100.6	123.1
P/ABV (x)						3.60	3.09	2.58	2.11
P/E (x)						17.0	14.4	12.1	10.2

Source: Company, HDFC sec Inst Research

INDUSTRY			NBFCs		
CMP (as on 31 J	ul 2019)		Rs 259		
Target Price		Rs 372			
Nifty	Nifty				
Sensex			37,481		
KEY STOCK DATA					
Bloomberg			CIFC IN		
No. of Shares (mr	n)		782		
MCap (Rsbn) / (\$	20	3/ 2,950			
6m avg traded va	lue (Rsmn	1)	431		
STOCK PERFORM	ANCE (%)				
52 Week high / lo	w	Rs 3	11/208		
	3M	6M	12M		
Absolute (%)	(6.5)	10.7	(9.3)		
Relative (%)	(2.5)	7.4	(8.9)		
SHAREHOLDING I	PATTERN	(%)			
	Dec-	18	Mar-19		
Promoters	53	3.1	53.1		
FIs & Local MFs	10	6.8	17.6		
FPIs	19	9.4	18.9		
Public & Others	10	0.8	12.4		

Nil

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Source : BSE

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- Diversification Drives Growth: A sequential uptick in HE disbursals drove overall disbursals. Within the VF segment, strong growth in the higher yielding used CV book (+35/-2%) was apparent while HCVs saw a sharp decline (-32/39%). The mgt took a cautious stance on the HCV segment, in view of downtrends in freight rates and fleet utilization. Car/3wheeler and tractor disbursals grew ~21% YoY each. 2wheelers now comprised ~5% of disbursals (negligible earlier). Diversification across products and geographies relatively insulates the co from a downturn in any single segment.
- Overall AUMs grew ~28/6% to reach ~Rs 575bn, led by a ~29/6% growth in VF AUMs (~75% of overall). Other loans grew ~64/16% on a small base (~4% of AUMs). We continue to model an AUM CAGR of 16% over FY20-21E.
- Foreign Borrowings Jump: Borrowings grew ~35/9%, led by the sequential doubling of foreign borrowings (~Rs 44bn, 8% of overall borrowings). Increasing reliance on bank borrowings (term loans & CC/WCDL) continued, as they grew ~61/9% to form ~48% of borrowings. Last qtr, bank borrowings witnessed a sharp rise (+85/35%) as CIFC drew down on borrowing lines to avoid cancellation. CPs saw a net increase of ~Rs 19.7bn (+56%) QoQ (possibly driven by attractive pricing), while debentures continued to decline (-15/12%). With increasing reliance on bank vs. mkt borrowings, the shift to more stable source of funds continues. This has (in part) resulted in a rise in

- the CoF (+50bps YoY). MCLR cuts in the course of the year should provide some respite on this front.
- Comfortable Liquidity: CIFC's liquidity position remains comfortable with positive surpluses across time brackets. The increase in cash and cash equivalents (equal to 2 months' worth of liabilities) and gradual shift to more stable source of funds (over FY19) should insulate the co from any liquidity disruptions and ease transition to eventual LCR compliance.
- C-I Improves: After the sharp rise in 4Q (+640bps QoQ), the C-I Ratio dipped ~540bps QoQ to ~37% as opex dipped ~8% QoQ (+24% YoY). While employee count increased by ~3000 in 1Q, staff costs dipped ~16% as outsourced employees formed a large chunk of the additions. Other opex dipped ~2% QoQ (+45% YoY) in spite of the addition of 99 branches in 1Q. Ind AS 116 (applicable from 1Q) requires the capitalisation of operating leases, resulting in lower other opex and marginally higher finance costs. The expense ratio declined sequentially across segments, with an 80bps drop in the HE segment. We have modeled a C-I ratio of 36.5% over FY20E.
- Provisions Rise: After dipping ~42% QoQ in 4Q, provisions registered a 97% QoQ rise to ~Rs 1.1bn, led almost entirely by the VF segment (2.6x QoQ). As PD and LGD assumptions remained unchanged and coverage on Stage III assets fell ~180bps QoQ to ~36%, we suspect higher WOs. We have modeled LLPs of 70bps over FY20-21E.



INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH

Five Quarters At A Glance

(Rs mn)	1QFY19	2QFY19	3QFY19	4QFY19	1QFY20	YoY Growth	QoQ Growth
Net Interest Income	8,107	8,107	8,753	8,987	9,425	16.3%	4.9%
Non-interest Income	2	1	1	3	1	-75.0%	-80.8%
Total Income	8,109	8,108	8,754	8,989	9,425	16.2%	4.9%
Operating expenses	2,816	2,901	3,158	3,820	3,500	24.3%	-8.4%
Pre Provision Profits	5,293	5,207	5,596	5,169	5,925	11.9%	14.6%
Provisions	905	612	961	556	1,095	21.0%	97.1%
PBT	4,388	4,595	4,635	4,614	4,830	10.1%	4.7%
Tax	1,535	1,549	1,591	1,695	1,688	9.9%	-0.4%
PAT	2,852	3,047	3,044	2,919	3,142	10.2%	7.7%
PAT (incl OCI)	3,003	3,074	3,012	2,815	3,065	2.1%	8.9%
Other details							
Disbursals (Rs bn)	70.1	69.0	76.4	88.9	85.7	22.2%	3.6%
VF	57.2	55.4	62.4	73.1	69.4	21.4%	-5.1%
HE	9.4	9.1	9.5	10.3	11.0	17.3%	6.5%
AUM (Rs bn)	451.0	477.2	503.9	542.8	574.9	27.5%	5.9%
VF	333.5	354.4	374.9	405.9	429.8	28.9%	5.9%
HE	102.8	107.3	111.5	116.3	121.2	17.9%	4.2%
Borrowings (Rs bn)	409.8	470.6	472.3	505.7	551.2	34.5%	9.0%
Bank Borrowings	147.5	183.5	184.2	222.5	237.0	60.7%	6.5%
CRAR (%)	18.2	18.3	17.8	17.4	17.2	-99 bps	-20 bps
Tier I (%)	13.4	13.1	13.1	12.4	12.9	-55 bps	42 bps
Profitability							
Yield On Advances (%)	14.50	14.30	14.20	14.30	14.40	-10 bps	10 bps /
Cost Of Funds (%)	7.20	7.40	7.40	7.50	7.70	50 bps	20 bp s
NIM (%)	7.30	6.90	6.80	6.80	6.70	-60 bps	-10 bps
Cost-Income Ratio (%)	34.7	35.8	36.1	42.5	37.1	241 bps	-536 bps
Tax rate (%)	35.0	33.7	34.3	36.7	34.9	-5 bps	-179 bps
Asset Quality (I-GAAP)							
Gross NPA (Rs mn)	14,480	14,280	14,500	12,450	15,170	4.8%	21.8%
Net NPA (Rs mn)	8,120	7,920	7,900	6,260	8,080	-0.5%	29.1%
Gross NPAs (%)	2.99	2.80	2.70	2.30	2.62	-37 bps	32 bps
Net NPAs (%)	1.71	1.60	1.50	1.10	1.40	-31 bps	30 bps
Coverage Ratio (%)	43.9	44.5	45.5	49.7	46.7	281 bps	-298 bps
Asset Quality (IND-AS)							
Gross Stage III (Rs mn)	16,170	16,230	16,480	14,390	16,710	3.3%	16.1%
Gross Stage III (%)	3.60	3.40	3.30	2.70	2.97	-63 bps	27 bps
Stage III Provisions	5,550	5,660	5,760	5,460	6,040	8.8%	10.6%
PCR (%)	34.3	34.9	35.0	37.9	36.1	182 bps	-180 bps

Source: HDFC sec Inst Research

Led by a ~27% growth in AUM while NIMs compressed ~60bps

Staff costs fell ~16% QoQ while other opex fell ~2%

VF provisions were ~Rs 1bn (2.6x QoQ)

Driven by strong growth across most segments (Used, Tractors, Cars/3w and 2W), expect HCVs (-32/39%) as expected

QoQ rise in the share of CPs (+300bps, 10%) and foreign borrowings (+400bps, 8%)

VF NIMs dipped ~70bps QoQ to ~6.9% even as CIFC raised rates in the range of 30-70bps while HE NIMs were flat QoQ

In a seasonally weak qtr, VF GNPAs rose to 2.02% (best amongst peers) from 1.7% QoQ and HE NPAs inched up 4.2% (from 3.8%) Mgt guides for improving trends in early buckets

Coverage dipped sequentially in spite of higher provisions (indicative of higher WOs in 1Q)



Amidst challenging macros, disbursals jumped ~22% YoY led by VF (+21%) and followed by a 17% rise in HE disbursals

VF disbursals were up YoY, even as auto OEM sales dipped

The share of 2wheelers increased to ~5% of disbursals

The share of HCV disbursals was at 9% vs. 14% QoQ and 16% YoY

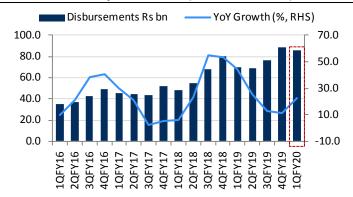
Highest ever HE disbursals at Rs 11bn

The mgt guided for ~15% growth in disbursals

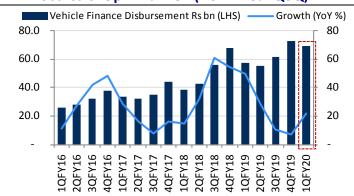
AUM growth sustained at ~27/6% YoY/ QoQ led by VF at 29/6% and Other Loans at 64/16%

HE AUMs grew ~18/4%

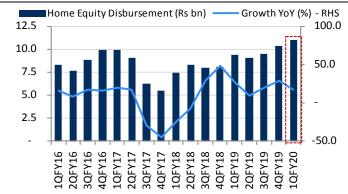
Disbursals: Jump ~22% YoY (Down 4% QoQ)



VF Disbursals: Up ~21% YoY (Down ~5% QoQ)

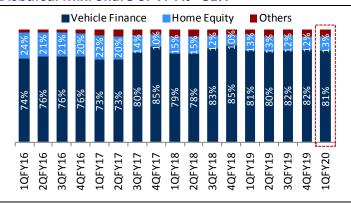


HE Disbursals: Up ~6% QoQ (After 8% in 4Q)

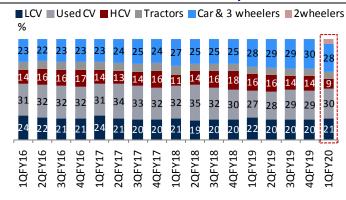


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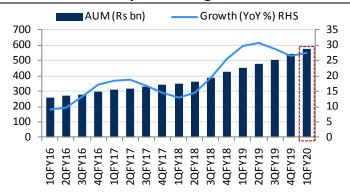
Disbursal Mix: Share of VF At ~81%



Vehicle Disbursals: Share of HCVs Dip



AUM Growth: Led By The VF Segment





The share of other loans increased ~40bps QoQ to 4.2% of AUMs

In the VF book, only HCV reported muted growth at 8.5% YoY (flat QoQ),

The Vehicle Finance Portfolio remained largely stable across products (except HCVs) and geographies

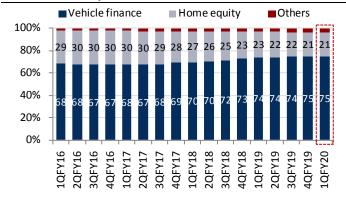
Borrowings grew 35/9% YoY/QoQ higher vs. AUM growth of ~28/6%

Bank borrowings were the largest source of funding (48% of total borrowings incl. CC/WCDL)

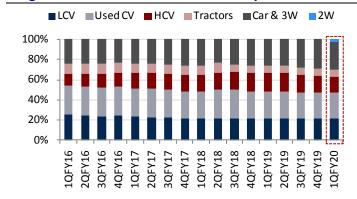
Sequential increase in the share of CPs (+300bps, 10%) and foreign borrowings (+400bps, 8%)

The share of bank borrowings continued to trend upwards

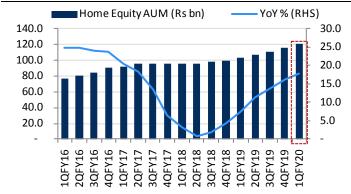
AUM Break-up: VF Stable QoQ



Segment-wise VF AUM Mix: HCVs Dip

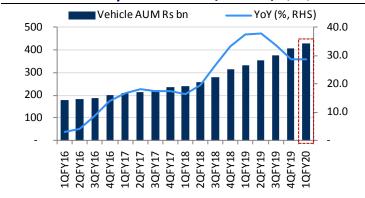


Home Equity AUM: Up ~4% Sequentially

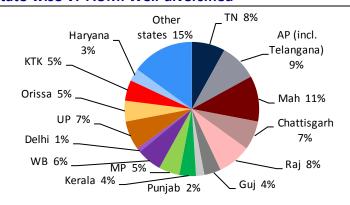


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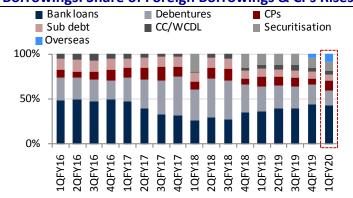
VF AUM: Healthy Growth At 29/6% YoY/QoQ



State-wise VF AUM: Well-diversified



Borrowings: Share of Foreign Borrowings & CPs Rises





NIMs were sequentially stable, albeit down ~70bps YoY

VF yields dipped 40bps QoQ (even as incremental yields were up ~30-70bps) while HE yields were up ~40bps

The C-I ratio improved ~540bps QoQ to 37% while the C-AA ratio dipped 40bps QoQ to 2.5%

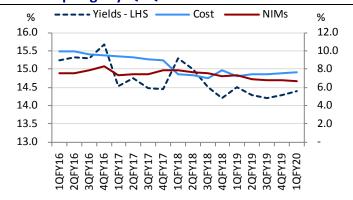
The expense ratio was lower across segments sequentially, with an ~80bps drop in the HE segment and a 60bps drop in the VF segment

Gross Stage III increased ~16% QoQ

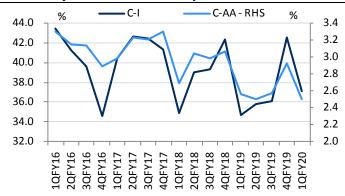
Even as provisions jumped QoQ, the PCR dipped ~180bps to ~36.1% (due to higher WOs, we suspect)

Under I-GAAP G/NNPA jumped 22/29% QoQ

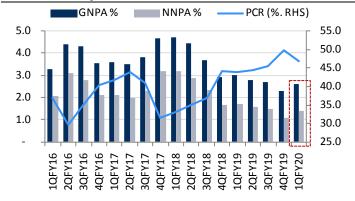
NIMs: Dip Slightly QoQ



Efficiency Ratio: C-I Ratio Improves QoQ

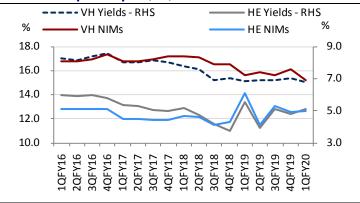


Asset Quality: Seasonal Deterioration

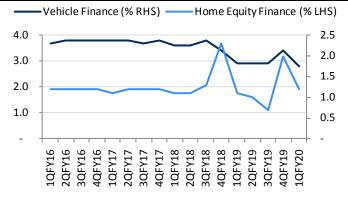


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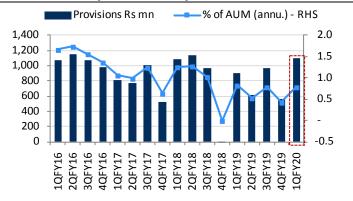
HE Yields Up ~40bps QoQ



Expenses Ratio: Improvement Across Segments



Provisions Jump QoQ, Led By VF

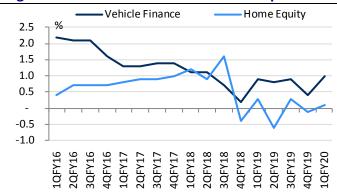




Provisions almost doubled QoQ to ~Rs 1.1bn led by VF provisions (Rs 1.0bn, 2.6x QoQ)

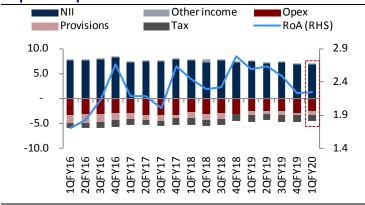
HE provisions were a mere Rs 30mn vs. write-backs of ~Rs 20mn QoQ and ~ Rs 60mn YoY

Segmental Provisions: VF Provisions Jump



Source: Company, HDFC sec Inst Research

Oplev Keeps RoAA Stable



Change in Estimates

Do man		FY20E			FY21E	
Rs mn	Old	New	Change	Old	New	Change
NII	35,647	36,046	1.1%	41,947	42,864	2.2%
PPOP	25,358	25,848	1.9%	29,733	30,702	3.3%
PAT	14,130	14,101	-0.2%	16,609	16,753	0.9%
Adj. BVPS (Rs)	86	84	-2.9%	104	101	-3.6%

Source: HDFC sec Inst Research

Peer Set Comparison

NDEC	MCap CMP	CMP TI	Dating TP		P ABV (Rs)		P/E (x)		P/ABV (x)		ROAE (%)		ROAA (%)						
NBFC	(Rs bn)	(Rs)	Rating	(Rs)	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY19	FY20E	FY21E
LICHF	261	517	NEU	566	281	326	377	10.7	9.5	8.4	1.84	1.59	1.37	15.9	15.9	15.8	1.31	1.28	1.26
SHTF	219	967	BUY	1,375	449	581	743	8.6	7.8	7.1	2.15	1.66	1.30	17.4	16.4	15.8	2.53	2.49	2.45
CIFC	203	259	BUY	372	72	84	101	17.0	14.4	12.1	3.60	3.09	2.58	21.1	20.7	20.4	2.34	2.26	2.32
MMFS #	188	306	BUY	398	124	142	164	11.4	14.4	11.2	2.32	2.03	1.76	15.2	10.8	12.7	2.60	1.73	1.99
INDOSTAR	27	297	BUY	520	272	297	346	11.4	7.9	4.9	1.09	1.00	0.86	9.5	11.0	15.4	1.96	2.45	2.82
REPCO	20	328	BUY	592	211	250	296	8.7	7.9	6.8	1.55	1.31	1.11	16.6	15.8	15.8	2.28	2.21	2.24

Source: Company, HDFC sec Inst Research



Income Statement

(Rs mn)	FY18	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Interest Earned	52,358	65,653	80,954	94,472	108,639
Interest Expended	26,593	35,887	44,908	51,608	58,814
Net Interest Income	25,765	29,765	36,046	42,864	49,825
Other Income	2,439	4,274	4,891	5,528	5,823
Total Income	28,203	34,039	40,937	48,392	55,648
Total Operating Exp	11,153	12,696	15,089	17,690	20,447
PPOP	17,051	21,344	25,848	30,702	35,201
Provisions & Contingencies	3,037	3,112	4,320	5,126	5,944
PBT	14,014	18,232	21,528	25,576	29,256
Provision for Tax	4,828	6,370	7,427	8,824	9,362
PAT	9,186	11,862	14,101	16,753	19,894

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Balance Sheet

(Rs mn)	FY18	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
SOURCES OF FUNDS					
Share Capital	1,564	1,564	1,564	1,564	1,564
Reserves	49,417	60,193	72,856	87,899	105,466
Net worth	50,981	61,757	74,420	89,464	107,031
Borrowings	384,999	507,743	594,285	679,982	772,212
Other Liabilities	4,920	4,760	4,106	4,028	2,925
Total liabilities	440,900	574,260	672,811	773,474	882,167
APPLICATION OF FUNDS					
Advances	422,530	526,220	616,651	709,386	809,983
Investments	730	730	803	899	1,034
Fixed assets	1,650	1,760	1,936	2,130	2,449
Other Assets	15,990	45,550	53,422	61,059	68,701
Total assets	440,900	574,260	672,811	773,474	882,167

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Key Ratios

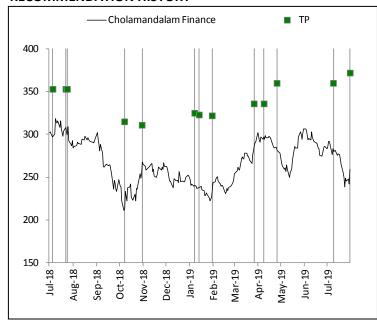
	FY18	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Valuation Ratios					
EPS (Rs)	11.8	15.2	18.0	21.4	25.4
Earnings Growth (%)	27.8	28.7	18.5	18.8	18.8
BVPS (Rs)	65.2	79.0	95.1	114.4	136.8
Adj. BVPS (Rs)	56.6	72.0	83.9	100.6	123.1
DPS (Rs)	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.8	2.5
ROAA (%)	2.47	2.34	2.26	2.32	2.40
ROAE (%)	19.6	21.1	20.7	20.4	20.2
P/E (x)	21.9	17.0	14.4	12.1	10.2
P/ABV (x)	4.6	3.6	3.1	2.6	2.1
P/PPOP (x)	11.9	9.5	7.8	6.6	5.8
Dividend Yield (%)	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	1.0
Profitability					
Yield On Advances (%)	13.59	13.51	13.70	13.75	13.80
Cost Of Funds (%)	8.51	8.08	8.15	8.10	8.10
Core Spread (%)	5.08	5.44	5.55	5.65	5.70
NIM (%)	6.69	6.13	6.10	6.24	6.33
Operating Efficiency					
Cost/Avg. Asset Ratio (%)	2.9	2.61	2.55	2.57	2.60
Cost-Income Ratio	39.5	37.3	36.9	36.6	36.7
Balance Sheet Structure Ratios					
Loan Growth (%)	25.5	26.6	17.7	15.0	14.2
Borrowing Growth (%)	59.0	31.9	17.0	14.4	13.6
Equity/Assets (%)	11.6	10.8	11.1	11.6	12.1
Equity/Loans (%)	11.9	11.4	11.6	12.2	12.8
Total Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	18.4	17.6	17.4	17.4	17.1
Tier I CAR	13.2	12.6	12.7	12.9	12.8

	FY18	FY19	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Asset Quality					
Gross NPLs (Rs mn)	12,569.3	11,661.3	16,762.4	21,091.9	23,929.0
Net NPLs (Rs mn)	6,715.7	5,466.2	8,790.8	10,754.4	10,777.7
Gross NPLs (%)	2.94	2.30	2.62	2.87	2.85
Net NPLs (%)	1.57	1.01	1.38	1.46	1.28
Coverage Ratio (%)	46.7	56.2	47.6	49.0	55.0
Provision/Avg. Loans (%)	0.71	0.57	0.68	0.70	0.71
RoAA Tree					
Net Interest Income	6.89%	5.86%	5.78%	5.93%	6.02%
Non-interest Income	0.65%	0.84%	0.78%	0.76%	0.70%
Operating Cost	2.98%	2.50%	2.42%	2.45%	2.47%
Provisions	0.81%	0.61%	0.69%	0.71%	0.72%
Tax	1.29%	1.25%	1.19%	1.22%	1.13%
ROAA	2.46%	2.34%	2.26%	2.32%	2.40%
Leverage (x)	7.95	9.00	9.16	8.83	8.43
ROAE	19.52%	21.04%	20.71%	20.44%	20.25%

Source: Company, HDFC sec Inst Research



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Date	CMP	Reco	Target
6-Jul-18	299	BUY	353
24-Jul-18	308	BUY	353
27-Jul-18	293	BUY	353
9-Oct-18	211	BUY	315
31-Oct-18	254	BUY	311
8-Jan-19	240	BUY	325
15-Jan-19	238	BUY	323
31-Jan-19	234	BUY	322
28-Mar-19	286	BUY	336
9-Apr-19	294	BUY	336
30-Apr-19	282	BUY	360
9-Jul-19	276	BUY	360
31-Jul-19	259	BUY	372

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