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Tata Consultancy Services

Deal momentum strong

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- Q4FY25 highlights: (1) TCS' revenue print stood at USD 7,465mn, -1% QoQ in USD terms (vs our estimate of -0.5% QoQ); however, the YoY trajectory moderated to 2.5% YoY CC. (2) Deal bookings were higher at USD 12.2bn as compared to USD 10.2bn in Q3 comprising NorthAm TCV at USD 6.8bn (highest ever bookings), BFSI TCV at USD 4bn and Retail & CPG TCV at USD 1.7bn. (3) Vertical commentary was weak in Retail & CPG, Travel & Hospitality and Automotive due to macro uncertainty led by global tariff war. The BFS vertical continues to remain stable while there has been some softness in the Insurance. (4) EBITM at 24.2% was down -28bps QoQ (lower vs our estimate of 24.9%), impacted by promotions (-100bps), -60bps by higher marketing expenses, which were partially offset by the FX tailwind. The management aspires the EBIT margin to be in the range of 26-28% for FY26E. (5) There has been net headcount addition of 625 employees in Q4 while TTM attrition increased by 30bps QoQ to 13.3%. TCS continues with its planned campus hiring strategy, with a slight increase in FY26E. (6) It has appointed Mangesh Sathe as Chief Strategy Officer and Aarthi Subramanian as Chief Operating Officer.
- Outlook: We have factored in FY26/27E growth at 2.9% and 7.4% (implying 2/1.6% CQGR in FY26/27E respectively). EBITM is factored in at 25.1/25.6% for FY26/27E respectively, translating to an EPS CAGR of 9% over FY25-27E.

Quarterly financial summary

YE March (INR bn)	Q4 FY25	Q4 FY24	YoY (%)	Q3 FY25	QoQ (%)	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E
Revenue (USD mn)	7,465	7,363	1.4	7,539	(1.0)	27,927	29,080	30,179	31,052	33,347
Net Sales	644.79	612.37	5.3	639.73	0.8	2,254.58	2,408.93	2,553.24	2,670.43	2,901.16
EBIT	156.01	159.19	(2.0)	156.57	(0.4)	542.37	593.11	621.65	670.73	743.26
APAT	122.24	124.34	(1.7)	123.80	(1.3)	421.47	466.35	485.53	524.56	580.69
Diluted EPS (INR)	33.8	34.4	(1.7)	34.2	(1.3)	116.5	128.9	134.2	145.0	160.5
P/E (x)						27.9	25.2	24.2	22.4	20.2
EV / EBITDA (x)						19.0	17.6	16.7	15.5	14.1
RoE (%)						46.9	51.6	52.4	54.8	59.0

Source: Company, HSIE Research, Consolidated Financials

Change in estimates

VE Manula (IND lana)	FY26E	FY26E	Change	FY27E	FY27E	Change
YE March (INR bn)	Old	Revised	%	Old	Revised	%
Revenue (USD mn)	31,297	31,052	(0.8)	33,446	33,347	(0.3)
Revenue	2,691.52	2,670.43	(0.8)	2,909.83	2,901.16	(0.3)
EBIT	676.34	670.73	(0.8)	749.60	743.26	(0.8)
EBIT margin (%)	25.1	25.1	-1bps	25.8	25.6	-14bps
APAT	529.20	524.56	(0.9)	584.03	580.69	(0.6)
EPS (INR)	146.3	145.0	(0.9)	161.4	160.5	(0.6)

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Target Price		INR 4,000
NIFTY		22,399
KEY CHANGES	OLD	NEW
Rating	ADD	ADD
Price Target	INR 4,040	INR 4,000
EDC 0/	FY26E	FY2&E
EPS %	-0.9	-0.6

CMP (as on 9 Apr 2025)

KEY STOCK DATA

Bloomberg code	TCS IN
No. of Shares (mn)	3,618
MCap (INR bn) / (\$ mn)	11,746/1,35,488
6m avg traded value (IN	R mn) 9,926
52 Week high / low	INR 4,520/3,056

STOCK PERFORMANCE (%)

	3 M	6 M	12M
Absolute (%)	(18.3)	(22.4)	(16.4)
Relative (%)	(13.5)	(13.1)	(15.3)

SHAREHOLDING PATTERN (%)

	Sep-24	Dec-24
Promoters	71.77	71.77
FIs & Local MFs	10.92	10.92
FPIs	12.66	12.68
Public & Others	4.65	4.63
Pledged Shares	0.20	0.00
Source : BSE		

Pledged shares as % of total shares

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Rating Criteria

BUY: >+15% return potential
ADD: +5% to +15% return potential
REDUCE: -10% to +5% return potential
SELL: > 10% Downside return potential

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