

# **HSIE Results Daily**

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# **Tata Consultancy Services**

# Path to recovery

Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) delivered in-line revenue growth and stronger operating performance in Q3. Key positives for TCS included (1) growth visibility from mega deals (Q3/Q4 sequential improvement from BSNL deal and JLR deal) and deal market-share gains vs. Accenture outsourcing, offsetting the impact of leakage in the renewals, (2) commentary on recovery in Europe geography and BFSI vertical (sequential growth even in Q3 adj. for impact of large program completion), supported by 16% YoY in BFSI total contract value for 9MFY24, vendor consolidation deals + sequential improvement in qualified pipeline and strongest book-to-bill in Retail & CPG vertical in over a year, and (3) margin improvement and continued scope for improvement aided by declining attrition (within comfort range), sub-con optimization and higher scope for utilisation (13% growth in learning hours). Our TP of INR 4,040 is based on 26x FY26E EPS (5Y/10Y average at 26x and 23x).

- Q3FY24 highlights: (1) TCS' revenue print stood at USD 7,281mn, +1% QoQ CC (1% QoQ CC estimate), which was the strongest sequential performance in the last four quarters perhaps indicating that the peak drawdown in renewals is behind. (2) Deal bookings were lower at USD 8.1bn as compared to USD 11.2bn in Q2 (included USD 1bn TCV each from BSNL/JLR deals) comprising NorthAm TCV at USD 4.2bn, BFSI TCV at USD 2.6bn and Retail & CPG TCV at USD 1.5bn. (3) Vertical commentary was stronger in Manufacturing, Life sciences and Healthcare as compared to BFSI and HiTech. (4) EBITM at 25% (adj. for non-recurring legal settlement) was up 75bps based on sub-con reduction, better productivity and realization, which offset the impact of furlough and third-party software and license (linked to BSNL deal).
- Outlook: We have factored Q4 growth at 0.8% and FY24/25/26E growth at 4.1%, 6.4% and 8.3% (implying 2% CQGR in FY25/26E). EBITM factored at 24.5/25.5/25.5% for FY24/25/26E respectively, translating to an EPS CAGR of 10% over FY24-26E.

**Ouarterly financial summary** 

YE March (INR bn)	Q3 FY24	Q3 FY23	YoY (%)	Q2 FY24	QoQ (%)	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Revenue (USD mn)	7,281	7,075	2.9	7,210	1.0	25,707	27,927	29,058	30,909	33,483
Net Sales	605.83	582.29	4.0	596.92	1.5	1,917.54	2,254.58	2,405.89	2,596.35	2,846.10
EBIT	151.54	142.84	6.1	144.83	4.6	484.53	542.37	590.42	662.22	725.03
APAT	117.85	108.46	8.7	113.42	3.9	383.27	421.47	463.55	513.76	562.23
Diluted EPS (INR)	32.6	30.0	8.7	31.3	3.9	105.9	116.5	128.1	142.0	155.4
P/E (x)						35.3	32.1	29.2	26.3	24.0
EV / EBITDA (x)						24.4	22.0	20.4	18.3	16.7
RoE (%)						43.7	46.9	51.9	56.8	59.0

Source: Company, HSIE Research, Consolidated Financials

Change in estimates

YE March (INR bn)	FY24E Old	FY24E Revised	Change %	FY25E Old	FY25E Revised	Change %	FY26E Old	FY26E Revised	Change %
Revenue (USD mn)	29,074	29,058	(0.1)	31,138	30,909	(0.7)	33,546	33,483	(0.2)
Revenue	2,407.11	2,405.89	(0.1)	2,615.56	2,596.35	(0.7)	2,851.38	2,846.10	(0.2)
EBIT	583.51	590.42	1.2	661.70	662.22	0.1	726.23	725.03	(0.2)
EBIT margin (%)	24.2	24.5	30bps	25.3	25.5	21bps	25.5	25.5	0bps
APAT	458.73	463.55	1.1	515.40	513.76	(0.3)	562.20	562.23	0.0
EPS (INR)	126.8	128.1	1.1	142.5	142.0	(0.3)	155.4	155.4	0.0

Source: Company, HSIE Research

# **ADD**

CMP (as on 12	INR 3,736	
<b>Target Price</b>		INR 4,040
NIFTY		21,647
KEY CHANGES	OLD	NEW
Rating	ADD	ADD
Price Target	INR 3,975	INR 4,040
EPS %	FY25E	FY26E
EF 3 %	-0.3	-0.0

#### KEY STOCK DATA

Bloomberg code	TCS IN
No. of Shares (mn)	3,659
MCap (INR bn) / (\$ mn)	13,669/167,136
6m avg traded value (IN	JR mn) 7,326
52 Week high / low	INR 3,929/3,070

#### STOCK PERFORMANCE (%)

	3 <b>M</b>	6 <b>M</b>	12M
Absolute (%)	3.5	14.2	14.5
Relative (%)	(4.4)	4.9	(4.8)

#### **SHAREHOLDING PATTERN (%)**

	Jun-23	Sep-23
Promoters	72.30	72.30
FIs & Local MFs	9.85	10.06
FPIs	12.46	12.47
Public & Others	5.39	5.17
Pledged Shares	0.35	0.35
Source : BSE		

Pledged shares as % of total shares

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# **Infosys**

## Near-term upside capped

Infosys (INFO) delivered in-line performance (above consensus) while underperforming TCS sequentially and for FY24E growth. The cut/narrowed guidance implies only marginal growth at the top-end in Q4 despite the benefit from the Liberty Global deal ramp-up and normalization of the McCamish impact. The relative weakness is emanating from (1) a higher mix of discretionary services in INFO's portfolio with slower activity on digital programs, a steep decline in Top 11-25 accounts and pressure on renewals (sub-USD 1bn large deal renewal TCV as compared to USD 1.5bn quarterly average), (2) extended furlough impact in Q4 & increased competition from captives, and (3) attrition in senior management to competition. Revenue guidance for FY24E was tweaked to 1.5 to 2% CC (1 to 2.5% earlier) and margin guidance was maintained. The improving trajectory beyond FY24 is premised on (1) benefits from project 'Maximus' driving margin improvement - utilisation, pricing, pyramid, delivery efficiency, (2) new deal wins around cost optimization, SAP cloud, and (3) relative strength in manufacturing and E&U verticals (28% of revenue). Near-term upside potential is capped especially if macro recovery is protracted. Maintain ADD on INFO with TP of 1,515 based on 20x FY26E EPS.

- Q3FY24 highlights: (1) INFO posted revenue growth of -1% QoQ/YoY CC (in line with HSIE estimates) at USD 4,663mn, impacted by furloughs and seasonality. (2) Within verticals, BFSI, communication and hi-tech lagged while manufacturing and life-sciences verticals outperformed. (3) INFO booked 23 large deals with a total contract value of USD 3.2bn (71% being net-new component), which included one mega-deal. There were 8 deals in the manufacturing vertical, 6 deals in financial services, 4 deals in E&U, 2 deals each in retail & communication and 1 deal in others vertical. (5) EBITM declined by -71bps QoQ at 20.5% (in-line) impacted by -70bps wage hike, -60bps cybersecurity incident offset by +50bps efficiency optimization & +10bps FX tailwind. However, margin guidance of 20-22% for FY24E was maintained (despite growth guidance cut over the last three quarters). (6) INFO will have a full-quarter wage hike impact in Q4FY24E as a margin headwind.
- Outlook: We have factored INFO's USD revenue growth at 2.6/6.1/8.0% for FY24/25/26E, implying 0.7% growth in Q4 and 2.3%/1.8% CQGR for FY25/26E. EBITM factored at 21.0/22.0/22.0% for FY24/25/26E, translating into an EPS CAGR of 13% over FY24-26E. INFO trades at 22x and 20x FY25/26E valuations, which is a ~18% discount to TCS' valuations (at a historical average valuation discount).

Quarterly financial summary

YE March (INR bn)	Q3 FY24	Q3 FY23	YoY (%)	Q2 FY24	QoQ (%)	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Revenue (USD mn)	4,663	4,659	0.1	4,718	(1.2)	16,310	18,212	18,692	19,841	21,430
Net Revenue	388.21	383.18	1.3	389.94	(0.4)	1,216.41	1,467.67	1,547.11	1,666.67	1,821.59
EBIT	79.61	82.42	(3.4)	82.74	(3.8)	280.15	309.06	325.23	366.41	399.88
APAT	61.13	65.86	(7.2)	62.15	(1.6)	221.11	240.95	246.97	287.71	313.81
Diluted EPS (INR)	14.8	15.9	(7.2)	15.0	(1.6)	53.4	58.2	59.6	69.4	75.7
P/E (x)						28.0	25.7	25.1	21.5	19.7
EV / EBITDA (x)						18.5	16.8	15.8	14.1	12.9
RoE (%)						29.2	32.0	31.7	34.6	35.1

Source: Company, HSIE Research, Consolidated Financials

**Change in Estimates** 

YE March (INR bn)	FY24E	FY24E	Change	FY25E	FY25E	Change	FY26E	FY26E	Change
TE March (INK bh)	Old	Revised	%	Old	Revised	%	Old	Revised	%
Revenue (USD mn)	18,685	18,692	0.0	19,800	19,841	0.2	21,385	21,430	0.2
Revenue	1,546.25	1,547.11	0.1	1,663.21	1,666.67	0.2	1,817.69	1,821.59	0.2
EBIT	324.89	325.23	0.1	365.71	366.41	0.2	399.10	399.88	0.2
EBIT margin (%)	21.0	21.0	1bps	22.0	22.0	0bps	22.0	22.0	0bps
APAT	246.14	246.97	0.3	287.18	287.71	0.2	313.24	313.81	0.2
EPS (INR)	59.4	59.6	0.3	69.3	69.4	0.2	75.6	75.7	0.2
Source: Company, HSIE Research									

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<b>Target Price</b>		INR 1,515
NIFTY		21,647
KEY CHANGES	OLD	NEW
Rating	ADD	ADD
Price Target	INR 1,515	INR 1,515
EPS %	FY25E	FY26E
EF5 %	+0.2	+0.2

#### KEY STOCK DATA

Bloomberg code	INFO IN
No. of Shares (mn)	4,150
MCap (INR bn) / (\$ mn)	6,202/75,832
6m avg traded value (IN	JR mn) 9,258
52 Week high / low	INR 1,620/1,185

#### STOCK PERFORMANCE (%)

	3M	6M	12M
Absolute (%)	(0.0)	10.8	1.6
Relative (%)	(7.9)	1.5	(17.8)

#### SHAREHOLDING PATTERN (%)

	Jun-23	Sep-23
Promoters	14.94	14.89
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Pledged Shares	0.00	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
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