3I INFOTECH LTD.
Q3 FY 2009 Update BUY
Sector IT Services/Software I CMP Rs 32 I Target Rs 40

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STOCK DATA

| Market Cap | Rs4.2bn |
| :--- | :--- |
| Book Value per share | Rs49 |
| Eq Shares O/S (F.V. Rs.10) | 130.7 mn |
| Median Vol (12 mths) | 371,562 (BSE+NSE) |
| 52 Week High/Low | Rs140/28 |
| Bloomberg Code | III@IN |
| Reuters Code | TIIN.BO |

STOCK PERFORMANCE (\%)

|  | 1 M | 3 M | 12 M |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Absolute | $(21.8)$ | $(36.9)$ | $(73.8)$ |
| Relative | $(11.9)$ | $(27.2)$ | $(47.6)$ |

STOCK PRICE PERFORMANCE

$3 i$ Infotech Ltd. (3i) reported net sales of Rs6.1bn, a QoQ growth of $1.2 \%$. Though sales were in-line with our expectations, higher operating expenses towards new initiatives such as its e-governance venture led to a greater than expected drop in OPM, which declined by $90 b$ ps sequentially to $18.1 \%$. Additionally, higher depreciation costs led to net profits getting impacted which led to a $6 \%$ QoQ dip to Rs645mn.

## - Organic growth rates softening but this was expected

The sluggish macro environment is beginning to impact 3i's organic growth rates as it faces elongated sales cycles across markets. Organic sales grew by $25 \%$ YoY in Q3 as compared to a growth of $\sim 39 \%$ in H 1 .

## - Order book provides near term visibility

Though an unstable environment is impacting sales cycles and hampering future visibility, 3i's order book executable over 12 months grew by $3.4 \%$ sequentially to Rs 14.2 bn . We believe this offers near term visibility over revenues inspite of a difficult environment.

## - Cutting FY10 growth outlook on the back of increasing uncertainty

Though 3i's order book offers comfort with respect to achieving our FY09 estimates, the unstable environment has led us to further cut our expectation for FY10. We have cut our sales and net profit estimates for FY10 by $\sim 5 \% \& \sim 9 \%$ respectively. We have estimated organic revenues (excl. Regulus) to grow at 10\% in FY10 as compared to our earlier assumption of $15 \%$

## VALUATIONS AND RECOMMENDATION

We expect $3 i$ to be one of the fewer mid tier Indian IT companies to post growth rates which are relatively superior to its peers, hence we believe that current valuations are at an extremely attractive level. Consequently, we also believe that factors such as an unstable economic environment in key markets, impact on profits in the light of FCCB refinancing and lack of ability to further leverage its balance sheet would limit valuation expansion. Therefore, we maintain our 'BUY' recommendation but with a revised 12 month price target of Rs40. (prev. Rs58)

## KEY FINANCIALS (CONSOLIDATED)

| Rs mn | Yr Ended (March) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 E | 2010 E | 2011 E |
| Net Sales | 6,553 | 12,053 | 21,735 | 25,126 | 26,163 |
| YoY Gr. (\%) | 56.8 | 83.9 | 80.3 | 15.6 | 4.1 |
| Op. Profits | 1,322 | 2,549 | 4,062 | 4,594 | 4,739 |
| Op. Marg.(\%) | 20.2 | 21.2 | 18.7 | 18.3 | 18.1 |
| Net Profits | 1,037 | 1,766 | 2,456 | 2,670 | 2,780 |
| Eq Capital | 563 | 1305 | 1,313 | 1,313 | 1,313 |


| KEY RATIOS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 E | 2010E | 2011 E |
| Dil. EPS (Rs) | 7.9 | 13.4 | 18.7 | 20.3 | 21.2 |
| ROCE (\%) | 14.7 | 16.4 | 15.0 | 13.7 | 13.1 |
| RONW (\%) | 31.2 | 34.0 | 33.2 | 28.4 | 24.0 |
| P/E (x) | 4.1 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.5 |
| EV /Sales (x) | 1.5 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 |
| EV /EBDIT (x) | 7.3 | 5.6 | 5.2 | 4.2 | 3.5 |


| Quarter Variance |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rs mn | Actual | PINC Est. | Var (\%) |
| Net Sales | 6,088 | 5,987 | 1.7 |
| Op. Profits | 1,100 | 1,100 | - |
| Op. Marg.(\%) | 18.1 | 18.4 | $(30 b p s)$ |
| Net Profits | 697 | 729 | $(4.3)$ |

Revenue Mix


Source: Company Data

## Estimate Changes

| Rs mn | FY09 |  |  |  | FY10 |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Previous | Revised | \% Ch. | Previous | Revised | \% Ch. |  |
| Net Sales | 21,799 | 21,735 | $(0.3)$ | 26,366 | 25,126 | $(4.7)$ |  |
| Op. Profit | 4,071 | 4,062 | $(0.2)$ | 4,818 | 4,594 | $(4.6)$ |  |
| Net Profit | 2,518 | 2,456 | $(2.5)$ | 2,939 | 2,670 | $(9.2)$ |  |
| Diluted EPS | 19.2 | 18.7 | $(2.5)$ | 22.4 | 20.3 | $(9.2)$ |  |

## Financial Results for the quarter \& nine months ended 31 December 2008 (Consolidated)

| Particulars (Rs mn) | Quarter Ended |  |  | Nine Months Ended |  |  | Year Ended |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 31/12/08 | 31/12/07 | Gr \% | 31/12/08 | 31/12/07 | $\mathrm{Gr} \%$ | 31/03/08 |
| Net Sales | 6,088 | 3,173 | 91.9 | 16,789 | 8,554 | 96.3 | 12,053 |
| Expenditure | 4,988 | 2,504 | 99.2 | 13,635 | 6,750 | 102.0 | 9,504 |
| Staff Cost | 2,758 | 1,283 | 115.0 | 7,325 | 3,457 | 111.9 | 4,870 |
| SG\&A Expenses | 2,230 | 1,221 | 82.6 | 6,310 | 3,293 | 91.6 | 4,634 |
| Operating profit | 1,100 | 669 | 64.5 | 3,154 | 1,804 | 74.8 | 2,549 |
| Other Income | 68 | 61 | 10.6 | 152 | 161 | (5.5) | 183 |
| PBDIT | 1,168 | 730 | 60.0 | 3,306 | 1,965 | 68.2 | 2,732 |
| Interest | 254 | 130 | 95.6 | 670 | 363 | 84.5 | 505 |
| Depreciation | 196 | 64 | 203.9 | 467 | 164 | 184.9 | 244 |
| PBT | 719 | 536 | 34.0 | 2,169 | 1,438 | 50.8 | 1,983 |
| Provision for current tax | 21 | 40 | (47.0) | 171 | 108 | 58.2 | 151 |
| PAT | 697 | 496 | 40.6 | 1,998 | 1,330 | 50.2 | 1,832 |
| Minority Interest | (52) | (12) | - | (83) | (52) | - | (66) |
| Net Profit after Min. Interest | 645 | 485 | 33.2 | 1,915 | 1,277 | 49.9 | 1,766 |
| Equity Capital (F.V. Rs 10) | 1,308 | 1,304 | - | 1,308 | 1,304 | - | 1,305 |
| Reserves (excl. rev. res.) | - | - |  | - | - |  | 5,135 |
| EPS for the period (Rs) | 4.9 | 3.7 | 32.8 | 14.6 | 9.8 | 49.5 | 13.5 |
| OPM(\%) | 18.1 | 21.1 |  | 18.8 | 21.1 |  | 21.1 |
| NPM(\%) | 10.6 | 15.3 |  | 11.4 | 14.9 |  | 14.6 |
| Exp. (\% of Net S1.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Staff Cost | 45.3 | 40.4 |  | 43.6 | 40.4 |  | 40.4 |
| SG\&A Expenses | 36.6 | 38.5 |  | 37.6 | 38.5 |  | 38.4 |
| Other Expenses | 0.0 | 0.0 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 |  | 0.0 |

Segmentwise results for the quarter \& nine months ended 31 December 2008 (Consolidated)

| Particulars (Rs mn) | Quarter Ended |  |  | Nine Months Ended |  |  | Year Ended |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 31/12/08 | 31/12/07 | Gr \% | 31/12/08 | 31/12/07 | Gr \% | 31/03/08 |
| Segment Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Products | 2,028 | 1,648 | 23.1 | 6,022 | 4,165 | 44.6 | 5,961 |
| Services | 1,973 | 1,171 | 68.4 | 5,720 | 3,330 | 71.8 | 4,639 |
| Transaction Processing | 2,087 | 353 | 491.0 | 5,047 | 1,059 | 376.7 | 1,453 |
| Total | 6,088 | 3,173 | 91.9 | 16,789 | 8,554 | 96.3 | 12,053 |
| Segment Gross Profit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Products | 1,057 | 904 | 16.9 | 3,246 | 2,284 | 42.1 | 3,269 |
| Services | 692 | 442 | 56.7 | 2,069 | 1,292 | 60.2 | 1,892 |
| Transaction Processing | 612 | 142 | 330.7 | 1,469 | 383 | 283.8 | 437 |
| Total | 2,362 | 1,488 | 58.7 | 6,784 | 3,959 | 71.4 | 5,598 |
| Revenue Split |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Products | 33.3 | 52.0 |  | 35.9 | 48.7 |  | 49.5 |
| Services | 32.4 | 36.9 |  | 34.1 | 38.9 |  | 38.5 |
| Transaction Processing | 34.3 | 11.1 |  | 30.1 | 12.4 |  | 12.1 |
| Gross Profit Margins (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Products | 52.1 | 54.9 |  | 53.9 | 54.8 |  | 54.8 |
| Services | 35.1 | 37.7 |  | 36.2 | 38.8 |  | 40.8 |
| Transaction Processing | 29.3 | 40.3 |  | 29.1 | 36.2 |  | 30.1 |
| Total | 38.8 | 46.9 |  | 40.4 | 46.3 |  | 46.5 |

Year Ended March (Figures in Rs mn)

| Income Statement | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009E | 2010E | 2011E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues | 4,178 | 6,553 | 12,053 | 21,735 | 25,126 | 26,163 |
| Growth (\%) | 44.5 | 56.8 | 83.9 | 80.3 | 15.6 | - |
| Total Expenditure | 3,321 | 5,232 | 9,503 | 17,673 | 20,532 | 21,424 |
| Operating Profit | 858 | 1,322 | 2,549 | 4,062 | 4,594 | 4,739 |
| Growth (\%) | 78.4 | 54.1 | 92.9 | 59.4 | 13.1 | - |
| Interest \& dividend income | 62 | 155 | 183 | 152 | 100 | 100 |
| EBIDT | 920 | 1,476 | 2,732 | 4,214 | 4,694 | 4,839 |
| (-) Interest | 80 | 209 | 505 | 680 | 766 | 749 |
| (-) Depreciation \& Ammortisation | 261 | 169 | 244 | 756 | 893 | 917 |
| PBT \& extraordinary items | 580 | 1,098 | 1,983 | 2,778 | 3,036 | 3,173 |
| (-) Tax provision | 3 | 53 | 151 | 323 | 366 | 392 |
| Net Profits | 577 | 1,045 | 1,832 | 2,456 | 2,670 | 2,780 |
| Minority Interest | - | (7) | (66) | - | - | - |
| PAT | 577 | 1,037 | 1,766 | 2,456 | 2,670 | 2,780 |
| Growth (\%) | 79.2 | 79.9 | 70.2 | 39.1 | 8.7 | 4.1 |
| Fully diluted Eq. sh. O/s (mn no) | 131.3 | 131.3 | 131.3 | 131.3 | 131.3 | 131.3 |
| Book Value (Rs) | 26 | 36 | 49 | 64 | 80 | 97 |
| Diluted EPS (Rs) | 4.4 | 7.9 | 13.4 | 18.7 | 20.3 | 21.2 |
| Balance Sheet | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009E | 2010E | 2011E |
| Equity Share Capital | 531 | 563 | 1,305 | 1,313 | 1,313 | 1,313 |
| Preference Share Capital | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Reserves $\mathcal{E}$ Surplus | 2,155 | 3,416 | 5,600 | 7,496 | 9,607 | 11,828 |
| Net worth | 3,686 | 4,979 | 7,905 | 9,810 | 11,920 | 14,142 |
| Total Debt | 3,350 | 6,475 | 12,658 | 18,165 | 18,165 | 18,165 |
| Deferred Tax liability | (136) | (374) | (405) | (405) | (405) | (405) |
| Capital Employed | 6,907 | 11,081 | 20,157 | 27,569 | 29,680 | 31,901 |
| Fixed Assets | 2,253 | 1,554 | 2,931 | 5,036 | 4,644 | 4,226 |
| Net current assets | 3,949 | 3,742 | 7,162 | 9,301 | 11,804 | 14,443 |
| Investments | 1 | 1 | 34 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Goodwill | 704 | 5,783 | 10,031 | 13,231 | 13,231 | 13,231 |
| Total Assets | 6,907 | 11,081 | 20,157 | 27,569 | 29,680 | 31,901 |

Year Ended March (Figures in Rs mn)

| Cash Flow Statement | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009E | 2010E | 2011E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PBT \& extra-ordinary items | 580 | 1098 | 1983 | 2778 | 3036 | 3173 |
| Depreciation | 261 | 169 | 244 | 756 | 893 | 917 |
| Interest \& dividend inc. | (22) | (155) | (183) | (152) | (100) | (100) |
| Interest paid | 80 | 209 | 505 | 680 | 766 | 749 |
| Tax paid | (53) | (44) | (151) | (323) | (366) | (392) |
| (Inc)/Dec in working capital | (666) | $(1,416)$ | $(1,727)$ | $(3,380)$ | (896) | (126) |
| Other Adjustments | 96 | 202 | (66) | - | - | - |
| Cash from operations | 276 | 63 | 604 | 359 | 3332 | 4221 |
| Net capital expenditure | $(1,121)$ | $(4,211)$ | $(6,222)$ | $(6,061)$ | (500) | (500) |
| Net Investments | (5) | - | (33) | 33 | - | - |
| Interest recd | 62 | 155 | 183 | 152 | 100 | 100 |
| Cash from investing activities | $(1,064)$ | $(4,057)$ | $(6,072)$ | $(5,877)$ | (400) | (400) |
| Issue of eq. shares | 2,055 | 32 | 2,040 | 8 | - | - |
| Preference Shares Repaid | (500) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Change in debt | 1,896 | 3,125 | 6,183 | 5,508 | - | - |
| Dividend paid | (147) | (577) | (558) | (559) | (559) | (559) |
| Interest Paid | (80) | (209) | (505) | (680) | (766) | (749) |
| Cash from financing activities | 3,224 | 2,371 | 7,160 | 4,277 | $(1,325)$ | $(1,308)$ |
| Inc/Dec. in cash | 2,435 | $(1,623)$ | 1,692 | $(1,241)$ | 1,607 | 2,513 |
| Key Ratios | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009E | 2010E | 2011E |
| OPM (\%) | 20.5 | 20.2 | 21.2 | 18.7 | 18.3 | 18.1 |
| ROACE (\%) | 13.2 | 14.7 | 16.4 | 15.0 | 13.7 | 13.1 |
| ROANW (\%) | 37.2 | 31.2 | 34.0 | 33.2 | 28.4 | 24.0 |
| Sales/Total Assets (x) | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Debt:Equity (x) | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 1.8 | 1.5 |
| Current Ratio (x) | 4.3 | 2.8 | 3.4 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.9 |
| Debtors (days) | 98 | 104 | 81 | 82 | 82 | 85 |
| Net working capital (days) | 118 | 154 | 136 | 132 | 127 | 124 |
| EV/Sales (x) | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 |
| EV/EBIDT (x) | 5.8 | 7.3 | 5.6 | 5.2 | 4.2 | 3.5 |
| P/E (x) | 7.3 | 4.1 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.5 |
| P/BV (x) | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 |

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