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| Reco | Previous Reco |
| :--- | ---: |
| Buy | Buy |
| CMP | Target Price |
| Rs157 | Rs218 |
| EPS change | FY12E/13E (\%) |
| Target Price change (\%) | -1.5 |
| Nitty | NA |
| Sensex | 5,482 |
|  | 18,197 |

## Price Performance

| Price Performance | $\mathbf{1 M}$ | $\mathbf{3 M}$ | $\mathbf{6 M}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 M}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (\%) | 0 | 0 | (3) | $(15)$ |
| Absolute | 2 | 6 | $(3)$ | $(17)$ |
| Rel. to Nifty |  |  |  |  |
| Source: Bloomberg |  |  |  |  |

Relative Price Chart


Source: Bloomberg
Stock Details

| Sector | Telecom |
| :--- | ---: |
| Bloomberg | TTSL@IN |
| Equity Capital (Rs mn) | 290 |
| Face Value(Rs) | 2 |
| No of shares o/s (mn) | 145 |
| 52 Week H/L | $201 / 132$ |
| Market Cap (Rs bn/USD mn) | $23 / 521$ |
| Daily Avg Volume (No of sh) | 111966 |
| Daily Avg Turnover (US\$mn) | 0.4 |

Shareholding Pattern (\%)

|  | Jun-11 | Mar-11 | Dec-10 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Promoters | 69.5 | 69.0 | 69.0 |
| FII/NRI | 19.0 | 18.0 | 19.6 |
| Institutions | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| Private Corp | 6.1 | 6.9 | 5.7 |
| Public | 3.4 | 4.3 | 3.9 |

Source: Capitaline

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- Revenue at Rs6.5bn (better than our est. of Rs6.4bn) grew 24.5\% yoy, led higher revenue realization in from the fibre business which aided the strong margins as well
- Q1FY12 EBIDTA grew 30.4\% to Rs1.8bn and APAT grew $20.4 \%$ yoy to Rs 772 mn (our est. of Rs 743 mn ). Strong revenue and EBITDA led to PAT growth of $20.4 \%$ yoy
- Net-debt rises to Rs 16.5bn at the end of Q1FY $12 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{s}$ Rs14.3bn in Q4FY 11, due to higher working capital requirements. Debt/EBITDA stands at 2.6 x and D/E at 1.5 x
- Valuations attractive at FY13E EV/EBIDTA of 3.3x \& P/E 5.9x. Maintain BUY with TP of Rs218


## Better than expected results

Consolidated revenue for the quarter stood at Rs6539mn with growth of $24.5 \%$ yoy, ahead of our estimate of Rs6367mn. Revenue growth was driven by strong order growth in high bandwidth fiber led data connectivity along with wireless business segment. EBIDTA increased by $30.4 \%$ yoy to Rs 1848 mn with margins at $28.3 \%$ increase of 127bps yoy. Strong revenue and EBITDA growth led to PAT growth of 20.4\% yoy to Rs772mn (our estimate of Rs743mn).

Fiber based data connectivity business continues to drive revenue
Data connectivity business contributed $60 \%$ to the total revenue of Q1FY12. Revenue contribution from managed services increased from $21 \%$ in last quarter to $33 \% .80 \%$ of new order inflow continued in the fibre segment. We believe as the contribution from the managed services to total revenue is increasing which would reduce the dependency on the fibre segment.

## Net-debt further rise to Rs16.5bn

The net-debt on the books further increased to Rs16.5bn at the end of Q1FY12 v/s $14.3 b n$ in last quarter. The increase has been primarily on account of higher working capital requirement. The company incurred capex of Rs1.4bn and generated cash profit of Rs1.3bn in Q1FY12. Capex guidance for FY12E maintained at Rs4.5bn.

## Nnew client additions

It added new customers during the quarter that includes Matrix Cellular, OICL, Karur Vysya Bank, Reliance Life Insurance, Gamesa, Deccan Charter.

## Valuations attractive - BUY with target of Rs218

Debt on the books is continuously increasing and stretching the balance sheet. D/E of 1.23 for FY12E and net debt 15.3bn remains the key concern for the stock. While, stake sale in Data centre and divestment of Qualcomm investment could ease the debt on books and remains key trigger for the stock. Nevertheless, on the back of higher realization on fibre network, Tulip is expected to report healthy revenue and EBITDA going forward. We cut our EPS est. (fully diluted post dilution on FCCB) by $1.5 \%$ for FY13E to Rs27.6 on account of higher interest cost. At CMP of Rs156, Tulip trades at attractive valuations of $5.9 \times \mathrm{P} / \mathrm{E}$ and $3.3 \times \mathrm{EV} / E B I D T A$ for FY 13 E . We retain BUY rating with target price Rs218.

Financial Snapshot
Rs Mn

| Y/E <br> March | Net <br> Sales | EBITDA <br> (Core) |  | PAT <br> (\%) | EPS <br> (Rs) | EPS <br> (Rs) | ROE <br> \% chg | (\%) | P/E | EV/ <br> EBITDA |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FY/BV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| FY11E | 19664 | 5255 | 26.7 | 2755 | 19.0 | 10.0 | 34.2 | 8.6 | 4.4 | 0.3 |
| FY12E | 23511 | 6631 | 28.2 | 3064 | 21.1 | 11.2 | 28.7 | 7.7 | 4.3 | 0.2 |
| FY13E | 32430 | 8209 | 28.9 | 3737 | 22.7 | 7.4 | 27.0 | 7.2 | 4.0 | 0.2 |

## Data Centre operations commencement on track

The data centre facility at Bengaluru is expected to start its operation from Q2FY12E. It has won order worth revenue potential of Rs 5 bn for 30,000 sq feet spread over 5 years.

| Particulars | Q4FY11 | Q1FY12 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Operating Profit | -9 | -14 |
| Fixed Assets | 910 | 995 |
| Goodwill | 1244 | 1244 |
| Net Current Assets | -21 | 180 |
| P\&L Debit balance / Misc. Expenses | 13 | 40 |
| Capital Employed | 2146 | 2460 |
| Shareholder's funds | 2146 | 2140 |

Quarterly financials

| Particulars | Q1FY11 | Q2FY11 | Q3FY11 | Q4FY11 | Q1FY12 | YoY (\%) | QoQ (\%) | YTD'12 | YTD'11 | YoY (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales | 5,252 | 5,853 | 6,022 | 6,380 | 6,539 | 24.5 | 2.5 | 5,252 | 6,539 | (19.7) |
| Raw Material | 3474.6 | 3834.1 | 3887.5 | 3992.0 | 4179.2 | 20.3 | 4.7 | 3,475 | 4,179 | (16.9) |
| as \% of sales | 66.2 | 65.5 | 64.6 | 62.6 | 63.9 |  |  | 66.2 | 63.9 |  |
| Employee Cost | 215.0 | 218.6 | 235.2 | 274.8 | 298.9 | 39.1 | 8.8 | 215 | 299 | (28.1) |
| as \% of sales | 4.1 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 4.3 | 4.6 |  |  | 4.1 | 4.6 |  |
| SG\&A expenses | 144.8 | 167.2 | 183.8 | 246.5 | 212.6 | 46.8 | (13.8) | 145 | 213 | (31.9) |
| as \% of sales | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 3.9 | 3.3 |  |  | 2.8 | 3.3 |  |
| Total operating expenditure | 3834.4 | 4219.9 | 4306 | 4513 | 4691 | 22.3 | 3.9 | 3834 | 4691 | (18.3) |
| EBITDA | 1417.4 | 1632.9 | 1716 | 1866 | 1848 | 30.4 | (1.0) | 1,417 | 1,848 | (23.3) |
| Depreciation | 375.0 | 419.5 | 440.9 | 478.5 | 495.1 | 32.0 | 3.5 | 375.0 | 495.1 | (24.3) |
| EBIT | 1042.4 | 1213.4 | 1275.0 | 1387.8 | 1353.0 | 29.8 | (2.5) | 1042 | 1353 | (23.0) |
| Other Income | -13.4 | 13.8 | 11.3 | -10.7 | -10.8 | (19.4) | 0.3 | -13.4 | -10.8 | 24.1 |
| Interest | 184.8 | 189.6 | 211.8 | 266.9 | 319.1 | 72.7 | 19.6 | 184.8 | 319.1 | (42.1) |
| PBT | 844.2 | 1037.5 | 1074.5 | 1110.1 | 1023.1 | 21.2 | (7.8) | 844.2 | 1023.1 | (17.5) |
| Tax | 202.7 | 257.6 | 257.1 | 283.3 | 250.9 | 23.8 | (11.4) | 202.7 | 250.9 | (19.2) |
| Effective tax rate\% | 24.0 | 24.8 | 23.9 | 25.5 | 24.5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| PAT | 641.6 | 780.0 | 817.4 | 826.8 | 772.2 | 20.4 | (6.6) | 641.6 | 772.2 | (16.9) |


| Margins (\%) |  |  |  |  | (bps) | (bps) |  | (bps) |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| EBIDTA | 27.0 | 27.9 | 28.5 | 29.3 | 28.3 | 127 | -99 | 27.0 | 28.3 |
| EBIT | 19.8 | 20.7 | 21.2 | 21.8 | 20.7 | 84 | -106 | 19.8 | 20.7 |
| EBT | 16.1 | 17.7 | 17.8 | 17.4 | 15.6 | $(43)$ | -175 | 16.1 | 15.6 |
| PAT | 12.2 | 13.3 | 13.6 | 13.0 | 11.8 | $(41)$ | -115 | 12.2 | 11.8 |
| Effective Tax rate | 24.0 | 24.8 | 23.9 | 25.5 | 24.5 | 52 | -100 | 24.0 | 24.5 |

Financials
Profit \& Loss

| Y/E, Mar (Rs. mn) | FY10 | FY11P | FY12E | FY13E |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Net Sales | $\mathbf{1 9 , 6 6 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 3 , 5 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 8 , 3 8 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 2 , 4 3 0}$ |
| Growth (\%) | 21.8 | 19.6 | 20.7 | 14.2 |
| Raw material | 12,953 | 15,188 | 17,786 | 19,813 |
| Employee cost | 825 | 946 | 1,260 | 1,362 |
| SG\&A expenses | 632 | 745 | 1,130 | 1,784 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Total operating expenditure | $\mathbf{1 4 , 4 0 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 , 8 8 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 1 7 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 2 , 9 5 9}$ |
| EBITDA | $\mathbf{5 , 2 5 5}$ | $\mathbf{6 , 6 3 1}$ | $\mathbf{8 , 2 0 9}$ | $\mathbf{9 , 4 7 1}$ |
| Growth (\%) | 56.1 | 26.2 | 23.8 | 15.4 |
| Depreciation | 1,353 | 1,714 | 2,034 | 2,337 |
| EBIT | 3,902 | 4,917 | 6,175 | 7,134 |
| EBIT margin (\%) | $\mathbf{1 9 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 2 . 0}$ |
| Other Income | 468 | 1 | 79 | 120 |
| Interest expenses | 716 | 853 | 1,279 | 1,206 |
| PBT | $\mathbf{3 , 6 5 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 , 0 6 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 , 9 7 6}$ | $\mathbf{6 , 0 4 8}$ |
| Tax | 899 | 1,001 | 1,239 | 1,512 |
| Effective tax rate (\%) | 24.6 | 24.6 | 24.9 | 25.0 |
| PAT | $\mathbf{2 , 7 5 5}$ | $\mathbf{3 , 0 6 4}$ | $\mathbf{3 , 7 3 7}$ | $\mathbf{4 , 5 3 6}$ |
| \% Growth | $10.0 \%$ | $11.2 \%$ | $21.9 \%$ | $21.4 \%$ |

Cash Flow Statement

| Y/E, Mar (Rs. mn) | FY10 | FY11E | FY12P | FY13E |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| PBT | 3,186 | 4,064 | 4,896 | 5,928 |
| Depreciation | 1,353 | 1,714 | 2,034 | 2,337 |
| Interest | 716 | 853 | 1,279 | 1,206 |
| Other Non-Cash items | -4 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Chg in working cap | $-2,297$ | $-2,159$ | -838 | -957 |
| Tax paid | -899 | $-1,001$ | $-1,239$ | $-1,512$ |
| Operating Cashflow | $\mathbf{2 , 0 5 4}$ | $\mathbf{3 , 4 7 3}$ | $\mathbf{6 , 1 3 2}$ | $\mathbf{7 , 0 0 2}$ |
| Capital expenditure | $-2,502$ | $-5,902$ | $-4,980$ | $-2,880$ |
| Free Cash Flow | $\mathbf{- 4 4 7}$ | $\mathbf{- 2 , 4 2 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 1 5 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 , 1 2 2}$ |
| Other income | 468 | 1 | 79 | 120 |
| Investments | 0 | $-2,786$ | 0 | 0 |
| Investing Cashflow | $\mathbf{- 2 , 0 3 3}$ | $\mathbf{- 8 , 6 8 8}$ | $\mathbf{- 4 , 9 0 1}$ | $\mathbf{- 2 , 7 6 0}$ |
| Equity Capital Raised | 1 | -1 | 39 | 0 |
| Loans Taken / (Repaid) | 966 | 5,585 | $\mathbf{1 , 4 5 0}$ | $-2,000$ |
| Interest Paid | -716 | -853 | $-1,279$ | $-1,206$ |
| Dividend paid (incl tax) | -271 | -271 | -271 | -271 |
| Financing Cashflow | $\mathbf{- 2 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 , 4 6 0}$ | $\mathbf{- 6 1}$ | $\mathbf{- 3 , 4 7 7}$ |
| Net chg in cash | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{- 7 5 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 1 7 1}$ | $\mathbf{7 6 5}$ |
| Opening cash position | 3,470 | 3,470 | 2,716 | 3,887 |
| Closing cash position | 3,470 | 2,716 | 3,887 | 4,652 |

Balance Sheet

| Y/E, Mar (Rs. mn) | FY10 | FY11P | FY12E | FY13E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Equity share capital | 290 | 290 | 329 | 329 |
| Reserves \& surplus | 8,989 | 11,781 | 15,247 | 19,511 |
| Net worth | 9,279 | 12,071 | 15,576 | 19,840 |
| Secured Loans | 5,476 | 12,239 | 13,689 | 11,689 |
| Unsecured Loans | 6,715 | 5,537 | 5,537 | 5,537 |
| Loan Funds | 12,191 | 17,776 | 19,226 | 17,226 |
| Net deferred tax liability | 29 | 32 | 32 | 32 |
| Total Liabilities | 21,499 | 29,879 | 34,834 | 37,098 |
| Gross Block | 14,502 | 19,762 | 25,742 | 28,622 |
| Less: Depreciation | 2,414 | 4,277 | 6,311 | 8,648 |
| Net block | 12,088 | 15,485 | 19,431 | 19,974 |
| Capital work in progress | 1,209 | 2,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Investment | 0 | 1,550 | 1,550 | 1,550 |
| Goodwill | 0 | 1,237 | 1,237 | 1,237 |
| Current Assets | 11,037 | 12,594 | 14,687 | 16,577 |
| Inventories | 688 | 994 | 1,065 | 1,115 |
| Sundry debtors | 5,320 | 6,339 | 7,148 | 8,225 |
| Cash \& bank balance | 3,470 | 2,716 | 3,887 | 4,652 |
| Loans \& advances | 1,559 | 2,544 | 2,587 | 2,586 |
| Current lia \& Prov | 2,838 | 2,990 | 3,075 | 3,243 |
| Current liabilities | 2,838 | 2,990 | 3,075 | 3,243 |
| Net current assets | 8,199 | 9,604 | 11,612 | 13,334 |
| Misc. exp \& Def. Assets | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Total Assets | 21,499 | 29,879 | 34,834 | 37,098 |

Ratios

| Y/E, Mar | FY10 | FY11E | FY12P | FY13E |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Profitability (\%) |  |  |  |  |
| Core EBITDA Margin | 26.7 | 28.2 | 28.9 | 29.2 |
| Net Margin | 15.0 | 15.8 | 16.3 | 16.5 |
| ROCE | 32.7 | 25.1 | 23.3 | 23.8 |
| ROE | 34.2 | 28.7 | 27.0 | 25.6 |
| RoIC | 52.6 | 34.9 | 30.2 | 30.2 |
| Per Share Data (Rs) |  |  |  |  |
| EPS (adjusted) | 19.0 | 21.1 | 22.7 | 27.6 |
| CEPS | 28.3 | 33.0 | 35.1 | 41.8 |
| BVPS | 64.0 | 83.2 | 94.6 | 120.5 |
| DPS | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| Valuations (x) | 8.6 | 7.7 | 7.2 | 5.9 |
| PER | 5.8 | 4.9 | 4.6 | 3.9 |
| P/CEPS | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| P/BV | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| EV / Sales | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.0 | 3.3 |
| EV / EBITDA | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| Dividend Yield (\%) |  |  |  |  |
| Gearing Ratio (x) | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.6 |
| Net Debt/ Equity | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.2 |
| Net Debt/EBIDTA |  |  |  |  |

## Recommendation History: Tulip Telecom - TTSL IN

| Date | Reports | Reco | CMP | Target |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| $13 / 05 / 2011$ | Tulip Telecom Q4FY11 Result Update | Buy | 163 | 218 |
| $15 / 02 / 2011$ | Tulip Telecom Q3FY11 Result Update | Buy | 168 | 218 |
| $18 / 01 / 2011$ | Tulip Telecom Event Update | Buy | 168 | 240 |
| $16 / 11 / 2010$ | Tulip Telecom Q2FY11 Result Update | Buy | 178 | 240 |

Recent Research Reports

| Date | Reports | Reco | CMP | Target |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| $25 / 07 / 2011$ | Bharti Airtel Event Update | Accumulate | 411 | 464 |
| $22 / 07 / 2011$ | $\underline{\text { DB Corp Q1FY12 Result Update.pdf }}$ | Accumulate | 238 | 271 |
| $20 / 07 / 2011$ | $\underline{\text { Dish TV Q1FY12 Result Update }}$ | Accumulate | 89 | 99 |
| $18 / 07 / 2011$ | $\underline{\text { HT Media Q1FY12 Result Update }}$ | Buy | 159 | 183 |

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