

# **Bank of India**

Relative to sector: Outperformer

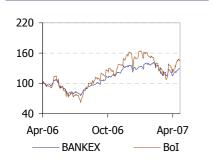
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#### **Relative Performance**



Source: Bloomberg, ENAM Research

#### Stock data

No. of shares	: 488mn
Market cap	: Rs 90bn
52 week high/low	: Rs 214/ Rs.80
Avg. daily vol. (6mth)	: 2.7mn shares
Bloomberg code	: BOI IN
Reuters code	: BOI.BO

#### Shareholding (%) Mar-07 QoQ chg

Promoters	:	69.5	0.0
FIIs	:	15.4	1.4
NRIs/OCBs	:	0.8	0.0
MFs / UTI	:	2.7	(1.8)
Banks / FIs	:	2.9	0.4
Others	:	8.7	0.0

## **S**TILL GOING STRONG

Bank of India's (BOI) Q4FY07 net profit growth at 76% has been higher than estimated, largely driven by a 78% rise in other income. While the reported NII growth at 16% appears moderate, adjusting for income tax refund and change in amortization method in Q4FY06, the growth for Q4FY07 was quite high at 37%, as margins continued to improve on a YoY basis.

### Q4FY07 Highlights

- The bank was able to contain the rise in funding costs to 26 bps YoY to 4.31%. Domestic cost of funds rose by 23 bps YoY to 4.65%, as domestic CASA was largely stable at 40%. Overseas deposits rose 56% YoY vs. a 22% rise in domestic deposits.
- Domestic credit growth stood at 29% while retail credit grew 35% YoY. Domestic Retail portfolio comprised ~25% of the bank's domestic credit, against ~24% last year. Yield on domestic advances improved by 88 bps YoY and 20bps QoQ, driven by two PLR hikes undertaken by the bank in Q4FY07.
- While global NIMs improved sequentially as well as YoY by 2 bps and 17 bps respectively, domestic NIMs, on a QoQ basis fell marginally (5 bps) to 3.7%. NII growth in Q4 includes the impact of a one-time tax refund to the tune of Rs 1.08bn in Q4FY06; excluding this amount, the NII grew 37% in Q4. Even if we exclude one time interest on CRR (Rs 350mn in Q4FY07), the growth in NII will still be quite high at 32%.
- While growth of 23% in operating costs in FY07 appears high, this was largely on account of a 21.5% YoY increase in staff costs. However, rise in staff costs was largely on account of accelerated AS-15 provisioning (Rs 4bn in FY07 against ~Rs 2bn in FY06) undertaken by the bank. Excluding the impact of these provisions, staff costs grew only 8% in FY07.

The bank's numbers have been impressive and improvement in core performance remains on track. At CMP, of Rs 184, the stock trades at 1.4x FY08E Book Value and 6.5x FY08E earnings. We maintain our sector **Outperformer** rating with a target price of Rs 210.

### **Financial summary**

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	PAT	EPS	Change	P/E	BV	P/BV	NPAs	P/Adj.BV	RoE	RoA
Y/E Mar	(Rs mn)	(Rs.)	YoY (%)	(x)	(Rs.)	(x)	(%)	(x)	(%)	(%)
2005	3,400	7.0	(66)	26.4	88	2.1	2.8	2.9	8.4	0.4
2006	7,014	14.4	106	12.8	99	1.9	1.5	2.2	15.4	0.7
2007	11,232	23.0	60	8.0	113	1.6	0.8	1.8	21.7	0.9
2008E	13,691	28.0	22	6.5	135	1.4	0.6	1.5	22.6	0.9

Source: Company, ENAM Estimates

#### **Results update**

	Quarter ended					12 months ended			
(Rs mn)	Mar-07	Mar-06	% Chg	Dec-06	% Chg	Mar-07	Mar-06	% Chg	
Interest Income	26,154	20,022	30.6	23,187	12.8	91,803	70,287	30.6	
-Interest on Advances	18,577	<i>12,380</i>	50.1	16,382	13.4	<i>63,975</i>	45,730	39.9	
-Income on Investment	6,301	5,812	8.4	6,384	(1.3)	24,601	21,613	13.8	
-Interest on Balances	1,271	753	68.8	421	202.1	3,222	1,863	72.9	
-Others Interests	5	1,078	(99.5)	0	-	5	1,081	(99.5)	
Interest Expended	16,474	11,644	41.5	14,599	12.8	57,399	43,967	30.5	
Net Interest Income	9,680	8,378	15.5	8,588	12.7	34,405	26,320	30.7	
Non-Interest Income	5,767	3,244	77.8	3,223	78.9	15,630	11,844	32.0	
Net Income	15,447	11,622	32.9	11,811	30.8	50,034	38,164	31.1	
Operating Expenses	6,495	5,324	22.0	6,279	3.4	26,084	21,151	23.3	
- Staff Costs	4,477	3,271	36.9	3,842	16.5	16,140	13,281	21.5	
- % of Net Income	42	46	(8.2)	53	(20.9)	52	55	(5.2)	
Operating Income	8,952	6,298	42.1	5,532	61.8	23,950	17,012	40.8	
Provision & Contingencies	3,064	3,140	(2.4)	2,286	34.0	8,621	7,856	9.7	
PBT	5,888	3,159	86.4	3,246	81.4	15,329	9,157	67.4	
Тах	1,414	614	130.1	697	102.9	4,097	2,142	91.3	
Net Profit	4,474	2,544	75.9	2,549	75.6	11,232	7,014	60.1	
EPS (Rs.)	9	5	75.9	5	75.6	23	14	60.1	
Global NIM (excluding amortization)	3.2	3.03	-	3.18	-	3.2	2.78	-	
Domestic NIM (%)	3.7	3.55	-	3.76	-	3.7	2.78	-	
Yield on Advances	8.52	7.58	-	8.43	-	8.52	7.58	-	
Yield on Investments	7.31	7.15	-		-	7.31	7.15	-	
Cost of Deposits	4.3	4.05	-	4.4	-	4.05	4.05	-	
Advances (Rs.bn)	868	667	30.1	798	8.7	868	667	30.1	
Retail Advances (Rs.bn)	174	129	35.0	199	(12.2)	174	129	35.0	
Deposits (Rs.bn)	1,199	939	27.7	1,066	12.4	1,199	939	27.7	
CASA (%)	40	41	-	41.3	-	40	41	-	
Gross NPAs (Rs.bn)	21.0	24.8	-	21.9	-	21.0	24.8	-	
Gross NPAs (%)	2.42	3.72	-	2.74	-	2.42	3.72	-	
Net NPAs (Rs.bn)	6.3	9.7	-	7.5	-	6.3	9.7	-	
Net NPAs (%)	0.74	1.49	-	0.95	-	0.74	1.49	-	
Tier I (%)	6.5	6.8	-	6.2	-	6.5	6.8	-	
Tier II (%)	5.0	4.0	-	5.5	-	5.0	4.0	-	
CAR (%)	11.6	10.8	-	11.8	-	11.6	10.8	-	

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- GNPAs fell 32 bps QoQ and 130 bps YoY to 2.42%. As a result, despite a sharp fall in provisioning for NPAs in Q4FY07 (down 53% YoY to 1.01bn), NNPAs fell 21 bps on a QoQ basis and 75 bps on a YoY basis. The provisioning coverage ratio stood at 70%, as against 61% for FY06.
- Non-interest income growth at 77% was one of the primary reasons for sharp rise in net profits. Q4 FY07 non-interest income included one-off items like profits booked on sale of oil bonds (earlier written off) to the tune of Rs 520mn, profit on sale of property in Hong Kong (Rs 150mn) and

dividends on equity investments to the tune of 150mn booked in Q4FY07. Also, recoveries from written-off assets remained strong for Q4FY07.

After undertaking a hybrid issue of USD 85mn in Q4FY07, the bank's tier-I now stands at 6.54% vs. 6.22% in the previous quarter. Also, the bank has raised Rs 7.3bn as upper Tier-II capital during Q407. The management believes that further headroom of Rs 4.5bn available for hybrid Tier-I capital, coupled with internal accruals would suffice to fund a balance sheet growth of 22-25% over the next 2 years.

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