

year to Mar, fully diluted

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Hold

Target price Rs580.00 Price Rs580.00

Equity | India | Energy Flashnote

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Comments from RBS India Access

BPCL management presented at RBS's India Access conference. The key takeaways are: 1) GOI decision on final share of FY11 under-recoveries to ensure adequate profitability for OMCs; 2) diesel decontrol could happen once oil prices subside; 3) Bina refinery to start commercial production by end March/April 2011.

Key highlights

- Management stated that the Government of India (GOI) would decide on the final share of under-recoveries at end FY11. The GOI would ensure that OMCs earn adequate profits to sustain investments required in the downstream industry.
- FY11 industry gross under-recoveries could be to the tune of Rs770bn-800bn. At a crude price of US\$110/bbl, gross industry under-recoveries would be Rs1,400-1,500bn p.a.
- Management is hopeful of diesel decontrol as and when international crude oil prices subside.
- Management stated that the Bina refinery (a 50:50 joint venture with Oman Oil) is mechanically complete and will start commercial production at end March/April 2011. The decision on the timing of IPO of Bina refinery would be taken keeping market conditions in mind. Oman Oil would sell a 24% stake in the IPO, thus BPCL stake would remain at 50% post the IPO.
- E&P- BPCL has stake in total 27 blocks- 9 domestic blocks and 18 outside India. The focus is currently on Brazil and Mozambique where commercially exploitable discoveries have been made. Quoting the operator (Anadarko), BPCL management has stated that gas discoveries in Mozambique (four discoveries till date) are sufficient to develop an LNG project. Further, management expects oil production from the Wahoo discovery (Brazil) to start in FY16. The 2011 drilling programme entails drilling 11 wells at a capex of Rs10bn (BPCL's share).
- BPCL management further stated that it would look to take operatorship of E&P blocks in future. Recently, it has taken joint operatorship in a block in Rajasthan "RJ-ONN-2005/1".
- As on date, BPCL has gross debt of Rs210bn, oil bonds of Rs80bn and Rs47bn for GOI compensation receivable for 9MFY11 under-recoveries.

Key forecasts

| | FY09A | FY10A | FY11F | FY12F | FY13F |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Revenue (Rsm) | 1365571 | 1294763 | 1507738 | 1664663 | 1876014 |
| EBITDA (Rsm) | 44533 | 27754 | 42150 | 55596 | 62030 |
| Reported net profit (Rsm) | 6338 | 16187 | 16760 | 20370 | 25054 |
| Normalised net profit (Rsm) | 6338 | 16187 | 16760 | 20370 | 25054 |
| Normalised EPS (Rs) | 19.3 | 49.4 | 51.1 | 62.1 | 76.4 |
| Dividend per share (Rs) | 7.00 | 14.0 | 16.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| Dividend yield (%) | 1.21 | 2.41 | 2.76 | 3.45 | 3.45 |
| Normalised PE (x) | 30.0 | 11.7 | 11.3 | 9.33 | 7.59 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 6.36 | 13.3 | 9.16 | 6.92 | 6.12 |
| Price/book value (x) | 1.45 | 1.35 | 1.25 | 1.14 | 1.04 |
| ROIC (%) | 9.81 | 3.98 | 5.20 | 6.52 | 7.17 |

Post-goodwill amortisation and pre-exceptional items

Accounting standard: Local GAAP Source: Company data, RBS forecasts

Important disclosures can be found in the Disclosures Appendix.

Income statement

| Rsm | FY09A | FY10A | FY11F | FY12F | FY13F |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Revenue | 1365571 | 1294763 | 1507738 | 1664663 | 1876014 |
| Cost of sales | -1235642 | -1155755 | -1363571 | -1502335 | -1704183 |
| Operating costs | -85396 | -111254 | -102017 | -106732 | -109800 |
| EBITDA | 44533 | 27754 | 42150 | 55596 | 62030 |
| DDA & Impairment (ex gw) | -12617 | -13963 | -16921 | -20892 | -22178 |
| EBITA | 31916 | 13791 | 25229 | 34704 | 39852 |
| Goodwill (amort/impaired) | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| EBIT | 31916 | 13791 | 25229 | 34704 | 39852 |
| Net interest | -24043 | -10939 | -11268 | -15966 | -15273 |
| Associates (pre-tax) | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Forex gain / (loss) | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Exceptionals (pre-tax) | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Other pre-tax items | 3473 | 24728 | 12471 | 14128 | 14736 |
| Reported PTP | 11346 | 27580 | 26432 | 32866 | 39314 |
| Taxation | -4104 | -10502 | -9045 | -11500 | -13162 |
| Minority interests | -903.7 | -892.2 | -627.1 | -996.9 | -1098 |
| Exceptionals (post-tax) | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Other post-tax items | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Reported net profit | 6338 | 16187 | 16760 | 20370 | 25054 |
| Normalised Items Excl. GW | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Normalised net profit | 6338 | 16187 | 16760 | 20370 | 25054 |

Balance sheet

| Rsm | FY09A | FY10A | FY11F | FY12F | FY13F |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------------|
| Cash & market secs (1) | 167979 | 111951 | 110738 | 111551 | 112470 |
| Other current assets | 157323 | 249777 | 246560 | 260224 | 281725 |
| Tangible fixed assets | 201957 | 241604 | 269875 | 281319 | 292076 |
| Intang assets (incl gw) | 7993 | 9658 | 6234 | 6766 | 4767 |
| Oth non-curr assets | 3405 | 9060 | 9236 | 9586 | 9836 |
| Total assets | 538657 | 622051 | 642643 | 669444 | 700873 |
| Short term debt (2) | 194124 | 194416 | 212599 | 211815 | 217435 |
| Trade & oth current liab | 123145 | 161678 | 155047 | 164611 | 180920 |
| Long term debt (3) | 47455 | 75936 | 74489 | 74590 | 64691 |
| Oth non-current liab | 33736 | 39246 | 38330 | 41442 | 43777 |
| Total liabilities | 398461 | 471275 | 480464 | 492457 | 506823 |
| Total equity (incl min) | 140197 | 150776 | 162178 | 176987 | 194049 |
| Total liab & sh equity | 538657 | 622051 | 642643 | 669444 | 700873 |
| Net debt | 73600 | 158400 | 176349 | 174853 | 169656 |
| Source: Company data, RBS forecasts | | | | | year ended Mar |

Cash flow statement

| Rsm | FY09A | FY10A | FY11F | FY12F | FY13F |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| EBITDA | 44533 | 27754 | 42150 | 55596 | 62030 |
| Change in working capital | 17803 | -38214 | -6135 | -3332 | -5192 |
| Net interest (pd) / rec | -20570 | 13789 | 1203 | -1838 | -537.8 |
| Taxes paid | -6956 | -13534 | -7239 | -9155 | -10827 |
| Other oper cash items | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Cash flow from ops (1) | 34811 | -10205 | 29979 | 41271 | 45473 |
| Capex (2) | -52152 | -53209 | -45191 | -32336 | -32936 |
| Disposals/(acquisitions) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Other investing cash flow | -8644 | -7656 | -4663 | -350.0 | -250.0 |
| Cash flow from invest (3) | -60797 | -60865 | -49854 | -32686 | -33186 |
| Incr / (decr) in equity | 6725 | -150.3 | 8342 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Incr / (decr) in debt | 81852 | 29703 | 17667 | 248.2 | -3347 |
| Ordinary dividend paid | -3229 | -6400 | -6449 | -7090 | -7090 |
| Preferred dividends (4) | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Other financing cash flow | -496.2 | -496.2 | -496.3 | -496.3 | -496.3 |
| Cash flow from fin (5) | 84852 | 22657 | 19064 | -7338 | -10933 |
| Forex & disc ops (6) | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Inc/(decr) cash (1+3+5+6) | 58866 | -48413 | -812.0 | 1248 | 1354 |
| Equity FCF (1+2+4) | -17342 | -63414 | -15212 | 8936 | 12537 |

Lines in bold can be derived from the immediately preceding lines. Source: Company data, RBS forecasts

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Recommendation structure

Absolute performance, short term (trading) recommendation: A Trading Buy recommendation implies upside of 5% or more and a Trading Sell indicates downside of 5% or more. The trading recommendation time horizon is 0-60 days. For Australian coverage, a Trading Buy recommendation implies upside of 5% or more from the suggested entry price range, and a Trading Sell recommendation implies downside of 5% or more from the suggested entry price range. The trading recommendation time horizon is 0-60 days.

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Trading Buy

Trading Sell

Total (IB%)

Source: RBS

Long term recommendations (as at 07 Mar 2011)

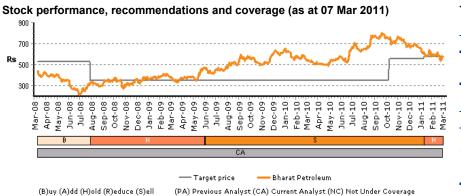
| | Global total (IB%) | Asia Pacific total (IB%) |
|-------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Buy | 766 (13) | 493 (3) |
| Hold | 428 (7) | 234 (1) |
| Sell | 118 (1) | 64 (0) |
| Total (IB%) | 1312 (10) | 791 (2) |
| | | |

Source: RBS

Valuation and risks to target price

Bharat Petroleum (RIC: BPCL.BO, Rec: Hold, CP: Rs580.00, TP: Rs580.00): Key upside risks to our investment case and PB-based target price are: 1) deregulation in the pricing of retail products; and 2) the government providing a transparent mechanism for subsidy sharing. Downside risk would be if the government provides lower-than-expected subsidy support.

BPCL coverage data (BPCL.BO, BPCL IN)



Avadhoot Sabnis started covering this stock on 28 Nov 03. Moved to new recommendation structure between 1 November

| Trading recommendation history | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|---------|--|
| Date | Rec | Analyst | |
| n/a | n/a | n/a | |
| Source: RBS | 3 | | |

Price perf (at Close 04 Mar 2011)

| | (1M) | (3M) | (12M) |
|----------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Price (Rs) | 588.5 | 673.8 | 534.9 |
| Absolute (%) | -1.4 | -13.9 | 8.4 |
| Rel market (%) | -4.0 | -7.0 | -0.5 |
| Rel sector (%) | -1.4 | -15.7 | 3.1 |

Source: Bloomberg Market: Sensex

Trading recommendations (as at 07 Mar 2011)

Global total (IB%)

0(0)

0 (0)

0 (0)

Asia Pacific total

(IB%)

0(0)

0 (0)

0 (0)

Sector: Integrated Oil & Gas

Regulatory disclosures

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