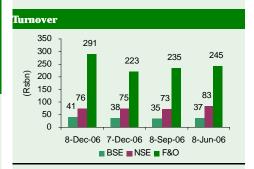




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| Indices | %Change | | | | | |
|---------------|----------|------|------|------|--|--|
| | 8-Dec-06 | 1mth | 3mth | 6mth | | |
| Sensex | 13,799 | 5.6 | 15.8 | 48.4 | | |
| Nifty | 3,962 | 4.9 | 14.1 | 45.4 | | |
| CNX Midcap | 5,746 | 4.5 | 27.6 | 64.7 | | |
| Banking | 7,214 | 11.2 | 34.5 | 67.6 | | |
| Capital Goods | 9,354 | 7.8 | 15.8 | 52.3 | | |
| IT | 5,130 | 6.8 | 20.1 | 56.2 | | |
| Healthcare | 3,725 | 0.5 | 2.5 | 29.7 | | |
| NASDAQ | 2,437 | 2.2 | 12.5 | 13.6 | | |
| Dow Jones | 12,307 | 1.1 | 8.0 | 12.5 | | |

| Net Inflows | | | | | | | |
|-------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|--|--|--|
| Rsbn | 7-Dec-06 | 6-Dec-06 | MTD | YTD | | | |
| FII | 21 | 25.6 | (15.3) | 386.8 | | | |
| Mutual Fund | . 0 | (2) | 2.2 | 139.8 | | | |
| FII - F&O | (47.5) | 46.8 | (632.6) | (592.1) | | | |



| Commodity & | % Change | | | |
|---------------------|----------|------|-------|--------|
| | 8-Dec-06 | 1mth | 3mth | 6mth |
| Crude (US\$/barrel) | 62.0 | 3.4 | (6.4) | (11.8) |
| Gold (US\$/Oz) | 625.2 | 1.3 | 2.3 | 1.9 |
| US\$ | 44.7 | 0.0 | (3.3) | (2.8) |
| Euro | 59.4 | 4.0 | 1.3 | 2.1 |

| Debt | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| % 8- | Dec-06 | 1mth | 3mth | 6mth |
| RBI Reverse Repo | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.5 |
| 10 yr G-Sec yld | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.7 |
| Spread 1 & 10 yr G-Sec | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
| US 10 yr treasury | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 5.0 |
| Surplus liquidity (Rsbn) | 181.0 | 108.0 | 438.1 | 580.2 |

State Bank of India - Company Update Under Performer - Target Price Rs1,200

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Recently, on the sidelines of the London School of Economics (LSE) Asia Forum State Bank of India's (SBI) chairman Mr. O.P.Bhatt stated that the bank is contemplating to come out with follow-on public issue in the next fiscal year.

Also, the Finance Minister Mr. P. Chidambaram has been repeatedly saying on different occasions that necessary amendments would be made in The State Bank of India Act, 1955 to enable transfer of RBI's (central bank) stake to central government and bring down the promoter stake in SBI to 51% in line with most of the other state owned banks.

We've given consideration to the proposed development to be brought up by aspiring promoter (central government) to analyze the impact of the same on the bank.

We've looked into some of the important aspects of the matter, like

What does present SBI Act, 1955 permit? What are the possible scenarios? What are the reasons for the equity dilution? If equity dilution, then at what price! Finally check on valuation.

What does present SBI Act 1955 permit?

- According to the Chapter II "Incorporation and Share capital of State Bank" of The State Bank of India Act, 1955 the central board may from time to time increase the issued capital but no increase in the issued capital shall be made in such a manner that Reserve Bank holds at any time less than 55% of the issued capital of the State Bank. Therefore RBI's stake can be brought down to 55% from present level of 59.73% and equity dilution can take place up to 4.73% without any amendments in the Act.
- In accordance with sub-section 1 and 2 of Chapter IV "Shares" SBI's shares should not transferred in a manner such that RBI's stake get reduced to less than 55% of the SBI's issued capital.

| State Bank of | India (Conso | olidated) | (Rs mn) | FY2005 | FY2006 | FY2007E | FY2008E |
|----------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Bloomberg/Re | euters Code | SBI IN/SBI.BO | Total Income | 286,896 | 311,007 | 314,413 | 346,169 |
| Market Cap | Rsbn | 712 | Profit before provisions | 152,793 | 153,300 | 144,333 | 156,255 |
| Market Cap | US\$mn | 15,616 | NIM (%) | 3.43 | 3.40 | 3.15 | 3.07 |
| 52-week ran | Rs | 1355/684 | Net Profit | 56,760 | 59,567 | 49,162 | 66,398 |
| Shares in is: | mn | 526.3 | EPS (Rs) | 107.8 | 113.2 | 93.4 | 107.7 |
| FII limit | % | 20 | EPS Growth (%) | 1.0 | 4.9 | -17.5 | 15.3 |
| | | | P/E (x) | 12.5 | 12.0 | 14.5 | 12.6 |
| | | | Price/Book Value (x) | 2.2 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.4 |
| Major Sharel | holder (%) | | Price/Adjusted Book Value (x) | 2.8 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 1.5 |
| RBI | | 59.7 | Dividend Yield (%) | 0.92 | 1.03 | 0.83 | 0.98 |
| Banks/FIs/MF | s | 11.6 | Cost-to-income (%) | 46.7 | 50.7 | 54.1 | 54.9 |
| Pvt. Corp. Boo | lies | 2.3 | ROA (%) | 0.97 | 0.90 | 0.67 | 0.80 |
| Public | | 6.5 | ROE (%) | 18.76 | 16.92 | 12.40 | 13.30 |
| FIIs/NRIs/OC | Bs | 19.8 | Tier-1 Capital (%) | 7.99 | 9.11 | 8.76 | 10.40 |

Source: Company and Karvy Estimates



Present status of the SBI Act, 1955 permits RBI's stake dilution up to 55% but doesn't permit equity dilution or transfer up to 51%. Necessary amendments would be required to effect into equity dilution and/or transfer of SBI's equity shares.

What are the possible scenarios?

- Equity dilution in RBI's stake in SBI up to 55% without any amendments
- O Amendment in Chapter II of The SBI Act, 1955 and RBI's stake is diluted up to 51%
- Amendment in Chapter IV of The SBI Act, 1955 and central Bank's stake is transferred to central government and then in accordance with the Chapter VI of The Nationalised Banks (Management and Miscellaneous Provisions) Scheme, 1970 the central government stake in SBI can be diluted up to 51%.

At this juncture, we believe that the last scenario is most likely to take place considering the finance minister earnest desire and the bank's genuine need of resources.

What are the reasons for the equity dilution?

- O Increase in Tier I capital to fund high growing credit offtake
- "Make hay while the SUN shines". The bank and the aspiring promoter could never have had better opportune time
- More headroom for Foreign investors: Foreign investors' holding would increase on absolute basis though, the percentage share holding would remain capped at 20%

If equity dilution, then at what price!

We've considered some of the follow-on public offer issue of state owned banks to deduce the pricing of the proposed SBI's public issue expected to come in June 2007.

|] | Public Issue | BookV | alue per sh | are (Rs.) | Issue | Pric | ce / BVPS (x) | |
|-------------------|--------------|--------|-------------|-----------|----------------|--------|---------------|------|
| | Fixed Price | | | | closing date | | | |
| | | FY2005 | 3 Q FY06 | FY06 | | FY2005 | 3 Q FY06 | FY06 |
| Andhra Bank | Rs.90 | 50 | 55 | 60 | 16th Jan. 2006 | 1.8 | 1.63 | 1.5 |
| Bank of Baroda | Rs.230 | 183 | 204 | 208.5 | 16th Jan. 2006 | 1.25 | 1.12 | 1.1 |
| Union Bank of Inc | dia Rs.110 | 68 | 79.6 | 81 | 15th Feb. 2006 | 1.6 | 1.38 | 1.35 |

We believe that the SBI's follow-on public issue would be priced at Rs. 1225 per share (1.5x of estimated BVPS of Rs.815 after 1 Q FY08). If the central government's dilutes its stake in SBI to 51%, after the proposed transfer of SBI's stake then there would be 90 million equity shares on the block for follow-on public issue.

Since there is no formal announcement from SBI's chairman or the finance minister about number of shares or the pricing of the public issue, we've not discounted the same in our valuation model. But as and when it is formally announced, we would change our target price and rating accordingly.



Decline in interest rate

Due to continuous decline in the 10-year benchmark bond paper yield, we've increased estimated write-back of mark-to-market loss provisions. The bank has already marked its AFS and HFT investment books at 8.1% at the end of 1 Q FY07, since then the yield has coming down therefore write-back would be quite significant.

We increase our target price to Rs1,200/ share from our previous target of Rs1,145. We downgrade the stock as **Under Performer** due to recent run-up in stock price.



| BULK DEALS ON | NSE - 8 Dec 2006 | | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|----------|----------------|-------|
| Symbol | Scrip Name | Client Name | Buy/Sell | QuantityTraded | Price |
| POLARIS | POLARIS SOFTWARE LAB LTD | Sundaram Mutual Fund (Growth Fu | BUY | 525,000 | 140 |
| MALUPAPER | MALU PAPER MILLS LIMITED | VIJIT RAMAVAT | BUY | 99,036 | 44 |
| IFCI | IFCI LTD | JAYPEE CAPITAL SERVICES LTD. | BUY | 4,437,350 | 13 |
| QUINTEGRA | QUINTEGRA SOLUTIONS LTD. | ASHITA BHAVIN PAREKH | BUY | 180,000 | 70 |
| GWALCHEM | GWALIOR CHEM IND LTD | ASIT C MEHTA INVESTMENT INTERRM | BUY | 136,694 | 96 |
| LIQUIDBEES | LIQUID BENCHMARK ETS | NORTHGATETECHNOLOGIES LTD | BUY | 40,000 | 1,000 |
| QUINTEGRA | QUINTEGRA SOLUTIONS LTD. | INVESTRICK SEC. INDIA PVT LTD | BUY | 265,773 | 71 |
| INFOTECENT | INFOTECH ENTERPRISES LTD | HSBC EQUITY FUND | BUY | 500,000 | 312 |
| CLASSIC | CLASSIC DIAMONDS (I) LTD | MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS E | BUY | 100,000 | 483 |
| PIONEEREMB | PIONEER EMBROIDERIES LTD | SEARCH FINVEST PVT. LTD. | BUY | 53,133 | 197 |
| NEPCMICON | NEPC INDIA LTD | SUNITA SURANA | BUY | 347,700 | 28 |
| MALUPAPER | MALU PAPER MILLS LIMITED | VIJIT RAMAVAT | SELL | 68,282 | 42 |
| IFCI | IFCI LTD | JAYPEE CAPITAL SERVICES LTD. | SELL | 5,172,850 | 13 |
| MPHASISBFL | MPHASIS BFL LIMITED | MORGAN STANLEY DEAN WITTER MAUR | SELL | 1,262,724 | 263 |
| NOVAPETRO | NOVA PETROCHEMICALS | BHAVANA TEXTILE PVT LIMITED | SELL | 54,309 | 14 |
| NANDAN | NANDAN EXIM LIMITED | JHAVERI TRADING AND INVESTMENT | SELL | 894,503 | 8 |
| VISUALSOFT | VISUALSOFTTECHNOLOGIES L | SHAH ASHOK POPATLAL | SELL | 172,000 | 68 |
| GWALCHEM | GWALIOR CHEM IND LTD | ASIT C MEHTA INVESTMENT INTERRM | SELL | 136,694 | 96 |
| INFOTECENT | INFOTECH ENTERPRISES LTD | MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS E | SELL | 513,140 | 312 |
| PIONEEREMB | PIONEER EMBROIDERIES LTD | SEARCH FINVEST PVT. LTD. | SELL | 34,700 | 197 |
| CLASSIC | CLASSIC DIAMONDS (I) LTD | RAJSHAH ENTERPRISES PRIVATE LIM | SELL | 50,000 | 483 |
| CLASSIC | CLASSIC DIAMONDS (I) LTD | CHAUHAN FINSTOCK | SELL | 50,200 | 483 |
| LIQUIDBEES | LIQUID BENCHMARK ETS | BENCHMARK MUTUAL FUND | SELL | 43,737 | 1,000 |
| QUINTEGRA | QUINTEGRA SOLUTIONS LTD. | ROSE BURG INC | SELL | 458,333 | 70 |
| MALUPAPER | MALU PAPER MILLS LIMITED | PRISM IMPEX PVT LTD | SELL | 200,000 | 44 |
| Source: NSE | | | | | |



| BULK DEALS ON | N BSE - 8 Dec 2006 | | | | |
|------------------|------------------------------|--|----------|------------------------|------------|
| Symbol | Scrip Name | Client Name | Buy/Sell | Quantity Traded | Price |
| 505506 | AXON INFOTEC | PAWANDEVI MAGANLAL MEHTA | S | 5,000 | 147 |
| 500045 | BELLA STE AL | JMP SECURITIES PVT. LTD. | В | 5,027,217 | 1 |
| 500045 | BELLA STE AL | JMP SECURITIES PVT. LTD. | S | 2,559,607 | 1 |
| 500045 | BELLA STEAL | KARNATAKA STATE II AND D | S | 3,500,000 | 1 |
| 532542 532542 | CREW BOS | H.J.SECURITIES PVT.LTD. H.J.SECURITIES PVT.LTD. | B S | 77,149 77,149 | 219 219 |
| 530843 | CREW BOS CUPID LTD | HEMENDRA CHANDRA SINGH | B | 50,000 | 40 |
| 530843 | CUPID LTD | RAHULJHA | В | 50,000 | 40 |
| 530843 | CUPID LTD | MUKESH JITENDRAVORA | S | 46,399 | 40 |
| 521220 | DAMODARTHRE | V.N.DOSHI | S | 15,579 | 54 |
| 524818 | DYNAMIC INDU | ATULSHAH | S | 18,000 | 44 |
| 517477 | ELNETTECHNO | HITESHJHAVERI | В | 30,089 | 121 |
| 517477 | ELNETTECHNO | V.N.DOSHI | В | 43,004 | 121 |
| 517477 | ELNETTECHNO | HITESH JHAVERI | S | 30,056 | 121 |
| 517477 | ELNETTECHNO | V.N.DOSHI | S | 43,004 | 121 |
| 524624 | GAGAN GASEL | B C B FIN. P LTD | B B | 23,300 | 8 312 |
| 532175 532175 | INFOTECH ENR INFOTECH ENR | FRANKLIN INDIA PRIMA FUND MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MAR | S | 1,100,000 1,136,860 | 312 |
| 516020 | KANOIPAPIN | N C JAIN | В | 44,591 | 22 |
| 516020 | KANOI PAP IN | GIRISH B SHAH | В | 135,703 | 23 |
| 516020 | KANOI PAP IN | MANOJGOEL | В | 431,311 | 21 |
| 516020 | KANOI PAP IN | V.N.DOSHI | В | 88,591 | 22 |
| 516020 | KANOI PAP IN | HITESHJHAVERI | S | 37,288 | 20 |
| 516020 | KANOI PAP IN | N C JAIN | S | 44,591 | 22 |
| 516020 | KANOI PAP IN | GIRISH B SHAH | S | 135,703 | 21 |
| 516020 | KANOI PAP IN | MANOJGOEL | S | 431,311 | 22 |
| 516020 | KANOI PAP IN | V.N.DOSHI | S B | 113,591 | 22 143 |
| 515093 515093 | MADHAV MAR G MADHAV MAR G | V AND U CAPLEASE PVT LTD VOLGA INTERNATIONAL LTD | S | 90,000 80,160 | 143 |
| 524232 | MAHAR POLYBU | SATCHITHANANDAM NAMASIVAY | В | 210,000 | 143 |
| 524232 | MAHARPOLYBU | SIMRAN SUNIL RAHEJA | S | 214,400 | 14 |
| 532728 | MALU PAPER | JMP SECURITIES PVT. LTD. | В | 427,945 | 44 |
| 532728 | MALU PAPER | PRISM IMPEX PVT LTD | S | 120,000 | 44 |
| 532728 | MALU PAPER | MITAL SECURITIES AND FINA | S | 210,000 | 44 |
| 532728 | MALU PAPER | JMP SECURITIES PVT. LTD. | S | 297,670 | 44 |
| 532728 | MALU PAPER | DIAMANT INVESTMENT AND FI | S | 100,980 | 42 |
| 531453 | MOHIT INDUST | RAMNIKLAL KUNVERJI SHETHI | В | 32,607 | 66 |
| 531453 532641 | MOHIT INDUST NANDAN EXIM | RAMNIKLAL KUNVERJI SHETHI JHAVERI TRADING AND INVES | S S | 32,607 887,681 | 66 8 |
| 530605 | NOVA PETRO | QUALITY EXIM PVT LTD | S | 84,319 | 14 |
| 530605 | NOVATETRO NOVA PETRO | HEXA INTERNATIONAL PVT LT | S | 78,036 | 14 |
| 517536 | ONWARDTECHN | UTTAM FINANCIAL SERVICES | В | 65,752 | 81 |
| 517536 | ONWARDTECHN | UTTAM FINANCIAL SERVICES | S | 65,752 | 81 |
| 531791 | OSIAN LPG BO | CHANDER BHAN BANASAL AND | В | 50,000 | 17 |
| 531791 | OSIAN LPG BO | DHANANJAY KHOT | S | 30,000 | 18 |
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| 521153 | PANTALOONIN | CHARTERED TRADERS PVT.LTD | В | 63,087 | 379 |
| 521153 530555 | PANTALOON IN | ASUTI TRADING PVT LTD VOLGA INTERNATIONAL LTD | S B | 50,000 | 379 235 |
| 532742 | PARAMO COMMU PAUSHAK LTD | SIERRA INVESTMENTS LTD. | В | 134,455 150,000 | 97 |
| 532742 | PAUSHAK LTD | GRANADA INVESTMENT LTD | S | 150,000 | 97 |
| 526247 | PREM EXPLOSI | ASHA PJAIN | В | 55,000 | 56 |
| 526640 | ROYALEMHI | JHAVERI TRADING AND INVES | В | 203,959 | 79 |
| 590029 | RPGTRANSM | PUSHKAR BANIJYA LTD | В | 70,000 | 172 |
| 511144 | SAYA HOUSING | SANTOSA INVESTMENT AND TR | S | 33,085 | 9 |
| 503205 | SHREE RAM | ANVIL FINTRADE PVT. LTD | В | 113,216 | 620 |
| 503205 | SHREE RAM | JYOTI KASLIWAL | S | 140,000 | 620 |
| 526479 | SKY INDUSTRI | ARUNABEN N BHANUSHALI | В | 20,000 | 44 |
| 517224 500427 | SUJANA UNIV UNIFLEX CABE | MAVI INVESTMENT FUND LTD HITESH JHAVERI | S B | 350,000 90,109 | 25 38 |
| 532765 | USHER AGRO | MUKESH HIRALAL DOCTARIA | В | 156,413 | 38 12 |
| 532765 | USHER AGRO | MUKESH HIRALAL DOCTARIA | S | 166,413 | 13 |
| 532765 | USHER AGRO | KAPISH PACKAGING PRIVATE | S | 214,297 | 13 |
| 532214 | VISUALSOFT | ASHOKPOPATLALSHAH | S | 129,000 | 68 |
| 531217 | WESTERN INDI | C R RAJESH NAIR | В | 500,000 | 10 |
| Source: BSE | | | | | |



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