India News

Economy

 Oil prices bounced back to US\$62 per barrel on Tuesday after sliding down nearly US\$3 a barrel on Monday (Financial Express).

Industry

- The Ruias of Essar Group are in talks to sell their BPL Mobile stake at a targeted valuation of US\$1bn (Financial Express).
- Home loan party over, Bankers expect growth rate to halve to 15% in FY08 (Business Standard).

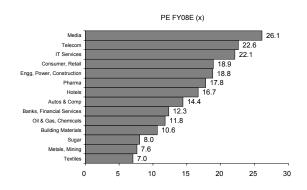
Companies

 ABG Shipyard Ltd has received an order worth ~US\$139m from Essar Shipping & Logistics Ltd to put together four vessels. (Business Standard)

Key Overweights/ Underweights

IT Services Telecom, Media Food, Bev & Con Capital Goods Banks, Fl Auto & Comp Others* Utilities Pharma, Agrochem Materials Energy (500) (400) (300) (200) (100) 0 100 200 300 400

CIR Universe P/E FY08E (x)



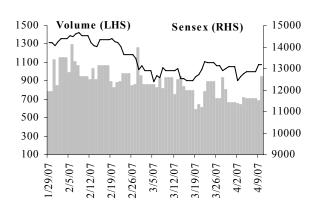
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Market Snapshot								Mkt Volume		(Rs Mils.)
Performance (%)	1-Day	1-Week	1-Month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month	VTD	BSE NSE		42,020
Absolute	1-Day	1-WCGN	1-MOIILII	J-MOHEH	0-MONUN	12-Month	110	- NOE Volume*		84,410 (Rs Mils.)
BSE Sensex	0.09	4.48	2.36	(3.39)	6.68	13.09	(4 33)	REL COM LTD		736.2
CIR India Index	0.55	8.93	8.31	2.37	5.19	2.50		INDIAN HOTELS COMPANY LTD.		348.7
Aluminum	0.04	1.95	3.96	(4.97)	(8.64)	(26.55)		TATA STL		1671.3
Auto	0.36	1.21	(5.43)	(17.92)	(18.06)	(18.42)		REL PET		190.6
Banks	1.56	8.31	2.40	(8.19)	2.91	13.80	(17.22)	INFRA DEVFIN		236.1
Capital Goods	0.61	6.94	11.82	7.67	13.11	8.93	(10.32) 6.55	I T C LTD		211.9
Cement	0.53	5.36	(2.65)	(26.90)	(23.74)	(17.01)	(30.29)			138.7
Consumer	1.75	4.66	11.15	(3.92)	(10.11)	(21.76)	(50.29)	T.T. 140TODO		921.2
	2.40				1.17		(5.17)	OTEEL AUTUOD		263.0
Hotels		6.06	8.49	(3.91)		3.08	(14.89)	DALAUTELE		170.6
IT Services	(2.10)	1.57	(10.17)	(12.89)	0.55	5.67		Top Gainers*	Close (Rs)	Chg (%)
Media	0.80	12.05	18.97	(1.63)	(8.13)	9.38	(7.93)	DALAUTELE	142	11.4
Oil & Gas	0.98	4.29	10.15	(4.76)	4.26	(6.97)	(0.47)	MOSER BAER	333	10.4
Petrochemical	(0.16)	3.03	4.70	7.69	18.68	62.25	8.23	JAIPRAK ASSO	559	7.1
Pharmaceutical	1.39	4.07	6.54	(2.70)	(4.22)	(17.50)	(1.16)	ESCORTS LTD.	124	6.2
Power	0.15	4.02	3.10	(6.21)	0.80	(15.41)	(6.00)	IGATE GLOBAL	403	5.6
Steel	(0.22)	8.30	13.54	27.18	25.49	19.06	22.46	ARVIND MILLS LTD.	46	5.6
Telecom Equipment	3.77	5.59	9.37	(14.89)	(0.99)	0.01	(12.11)	BHARAT PETROLEUM CORPOR	327	4.8
Telecom	0.50	4.32	2.94	18.65	49.80	59.98	18.55	_ JSW SL	533	4.8
Relative to BSE-30 Sensex								SUN PHARMACEUTICALS LTD.	1,099	4.6
CIR India Index	0.46	4.45	5.95	5.75	(1.49)	(10.59)	6.39	BANK OF INDIA	172	4.5
Aluminum	(0.05)	(2.52)	1.60	(1.59)	(15.32)	(39.65)	(3.27)	Top Losers*	Close (Rs)	Chg (-%)
Auto	0.27	(3.26)	(7.79)	(14.53)	(24.73)	(31.52)	(12.89)	SATYAM COMP	445	3.5
Banks	1.47	3.83	0.03	(4.80)	(3.77)	0.71		ICI INDIA*	430	2.9
Capital Goods	0.52	2.47	9.45	11.06	6.43	(4.17)	10.88	UNITED PHOSP	322	2.7
Cement	0.44	0.89	(5.01)	(23.51)	(30.42)	(30.10)	(25.95)	BHARAT ELECT	1,678	2.4
Consumer	1.66	0.18	8.79	(0.53)	(16.79)	(34.85)	(1.34)	WIPRO LTD.	548	2.4
Hotels	2.31	1.59	6.13	(0.52)	(5.51)	(10.01)	(0.84)	MPHASIS LTD	275	2.3
IT Services	(2.19)	(2.90)	(12.53)	(9.51)	(6.13)	(7.42)	(10.56)		1,998	2.3
Media	0.71	7.57	16.60	1.75	(14.81)	(3.71)	(3.59)	CESC LTD	387	2.2
Oil & Gas	0.89	(0.19)	7.79	(1.38)	(2.42)	(20.06)	3.87	HEXAWARE LTD	167	2.1
Petrochemical	(0.24)	(1.45)	2.33	11.08	12.00	49.16	12.57	UTI BANK	489	2.1
Pharmaceutical	1.30	(0.40)	4.18	0.69	(10.90)	(30.59)	2 17	+P0F 0 A		
Power	0.06	(0.45)	0.74	(2.82)	(5.88)	(28.50)	(1.66)			
Steel	(0.31)	3.83	11.18	30.57	18.81	5.97		Source: The Economic Times	s, www.bseindia.com.	
Telecom Equipment	3.68	1.12	7.01	(11.51)	(7.67)	(13.08)	(7.78)			
Telecom	0.41	(0.16)	0.57	22.04	43.12	46.89	22.88			

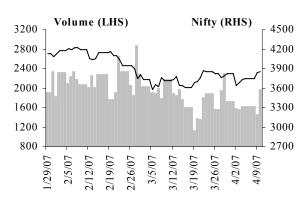
Source: Citigroup Investment Research estimates

BSE-30 — Performance & Volume (US\$ Mils.)



Source: Bloomberg, Citigroup Investment Research estimates

NIFTY - Performance & Volume (US\$ Mils.)



Source: Bloomberg, Citigroup Investment Research estimates

Jaiprakash (JAIA.BO)

Upgrading to Buy: Stock Correction Plus Plenty of Triggers

Buy/Low Risk		1L		
from Hold/Low I	P <i>isk</i>			
Price (10 Apr 07)		Rs525.00		
Target price		Rs674.00		
from Rs802.00				
Expected share pric		28.4%		
Expected dividend y		0.6%		
Expected total retui		29.0%		
Market Cap	Rs114,305M			
•	U	S\$2,678M		
	2006	2007E	2008E	
EPS new(Rs)	11.83	16.23	20.82	
EPS Growth(%)	11.0	37.2	28.3	
P/E	44.4	32.3	25.2	
EV/EBITDA	20.1	14.9	12.1	
Consensus Data	33.96	20.14	26.52	

Price Performance (RIC: JAIA.BO, BB: JPA IN)



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- Buy with target price of Rs674 We are upgrading JPA to Buy/Low Risk following a 30%-plus correction and in anticipation of plenty of stock triggers in the next 12 months. However, we are cutting our target price to Rs674 based on a lower valuation for the cement business.
- Negatives priced in We believe the government's intention to control cement prices and RBI's CRR hikes to reign in inflation have already been digested by the JPA's 30%-plus correction from its peak. JPA's parent business trades at an adjusted P/E multiple of 10.2x FY08E, which we find too inexpensive to ignore.
- Strong 4QFY07E quarter ahead We expect JPA to grow earnings 63% YoY driven by sales growth of 10% YoY and a 548bps EBITDA margin expansion in 4QFY07E. This should be mainly due to cement volumes of 1.88mn tonnes, up 5% YoY, and realizations of Rs2964/tonne, up 28% YoY.
- Technical and business triggers ahead The FII stake limit hike to 45% in April 2007 is a technical trigger. Business triggers are: 1) allotment of second parcel of land in Noida post UP elections; 2) 4.0 MMTPA HP cement plant commissioning between Jun-Dec 2007; and (3) 2.5 MMTPA UP cement plant commissioning by March 2008.
- **Key Risks** 1) We see election uncertainty since following the last UP elections the Taj Expressway project was delayed; and (2) the cement business has lost some pricing power, while demand and supply dynamics could turn adverse in FY09E.

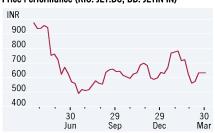
Jet Airways (JET.BO)

Sell: The Ties That Bind - Air Sahara Imbroglio Nears Resolution

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Sell/High Risk		3Н	
Price (10 Apr 07)		Rs644.85	
Target price		Rs390.00	
Expected share pric		-39.5%	
Expected dividend y		0.3%	
Expected total retui		-39.2%	
Market Cap		Rs55,672M	
			US\$1,304M
	2006	2007E	2008E
EPS new(Rs)	30.25	12.76	23.83
EPS Growth(%)	-29.7	-57.8	86.8
P/E	21.3	50.6	27.1
EV/EBITDA	7.1	10.2	6.6
Consensus Data	na	-19.10	-3.62

Price Performance (RIC: JET.BO, BB: JETIN IN)



- What's new Jet Airways has reportedly offered US\$432m to acquire Sahara Airlines, ~15% lower than its previous offer (as per Bloomberg reports). Jet's outlay will be reportedly Rs13.75 billion after adjusting for the guarantee money and paying creditors.
- The positives 1) Jet and Air Sahara combined will have a market share of c35%.
 2) On trunk routes, the combined will have a relatively higher market share. 3) Jet would probably also gain access to Sahara's airport infrastructure, parking slots, etc.
- The negatives 1) Acquisition will further affect Jet's strained balance sheet (current debt–equity >2x). Jet plans to acquire 20 777s & A330s in FY08/09E, a total outlay of c\$2.1bn. This outlay will result in further leverage. 2) Timely and effective integration of Air Sahara remains a key risk factor employee retention is key in this industry, with its acute shortages of pilots and technicians.
- Industry consolidation Assuming the deal is consummated, it would signal the start of consolidation in the industry. Although there are signs, we have yet to see meaningful rationalization of capacity indeed, all major players are expected to continue to add capacity, implying that near-term yields will remain constrained. We remain negative on the sector.
- Reiterate Sell (3H) Visibility on Jet's international operations remains limited; domestic market conditions are not expected to improve meaningfully over the next 12 months. Sahara integration another imponderable.

India Technical Research Daily

Resistance at 3900

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- Nifty The index opened on a flat note, dipped towards 3819 in afternoon trades, after which it saw an intra-day rise towards 3858 and ended the day up 4 points.
- Resistance The index faces multiple resistance around 3900. The upper end of the Bollinger band is at 3909, 50dma at 3897 and recent high at 3902(23 March 2007). Further rise should face stiff resistance at around 3900 levels (see Fig 3).
- **Support** The index has support at around 3795 (the high reached on 9 March 2007); if 3795 is breached, the index could dip towards 3770 (10dma).
- Conclusion Nifty could rise towards 3900, when stiff resistance should be expected; intra-day support is at 3795.

Figure 1: India Technical Research — Index Snapshot					
Indices	Last Close	Current Close	Daily Change(Points		
Sensex Nifty Nifty Futures: Current Month	13177 3844 3826	13190 3848 3827	+13 +4 +1		

Source: Citigroup Investment Research

Figure 2: India Technical Research — Support and Resistance (Daily)

Indices	Support	Resistance
Sensex	13105-12990-12856	13371-13467-13522
Nifty	3796-3770-3740	3897-3902-3958
Nifty Futures: Current Month	3775-3755-3726	3875-3900-3964

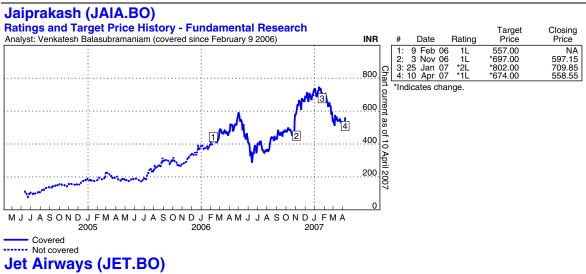
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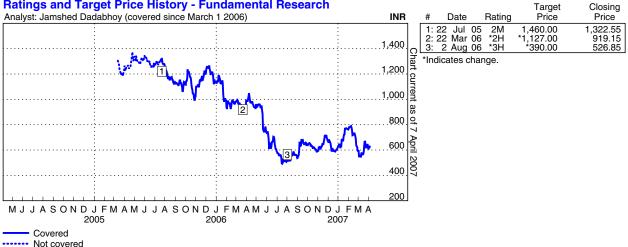
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