# **Revenue Momentum continues**

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# **BUY**

Price	Target Price
Rs 489	Rs 540
Sensex	16,022

#### **Price Performance**

(%)	1M	ЗМ	6M	12M
Absolute	(15)	11	24	137
Rel. to Sensex	(6)	13	33	106

Source: Bloomberg

#### Stock Details

Sector	IT Services
Reuters	ECLE.BO
Bloomberg	ECLX@IN
Equity Capital (Rs mn)	190
Face Value(Rs)	10
No of shares o/s (mn)	19
52 Week H/L	605/189
Market Cap (Rs bn/USD mn)	10/213
Daily Avg Volume (No of sh)	53770
Daily Avg Turnover (US\$mn)	0.6

## **Shareholding Pattern (%)**

	D'09	S'09	J'09
Promoters	60.0	60.0	60.0
FII/NRI	22.3	24.7	24.8
Institutions	7.8	5.0	4.4
Private Corp	2.0	1.9	2.1
Public	8.0	8.4	8.6

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manik.taneja@emkayglobal.com +91 22 6612 1253 Revenues at US\$ 15.8 mn (+6% QoQ) beat expectations (Emkay est. of US\$ 15.5 mn). However operating margins at 36.6% were down by ~370 bps sequentially on a/c of significant hiring (co hired 286 employees at a net level during Q4FY10). Profits at Rs 242 mn (+13.5% QoQ,+50% YoY) were lower than expectations driven by lower margin performance and lower than estimated forex gains. Co continues to hire aggressively driven by up tick in revenue/demands (note that co's increased headcount by ~45% over the year) with further beef up in sales team abroad. It is worth noting that revenue momentum at eClerx continues to pick up with YoY revenue growth continuing to see improvement over the year (refer chart below).

eClerx continues to deliver in line with our positive thesis. We tweak our FY11E/12E earnings upwards marginally to Rs 51.5/Rs 61.5 (V/s Rs 51.3/Rs 60.4 earlier). Maintain BUY with an unchanged March'11 price target of Rs 540.

# Revenue growth momentum continues to pick up

eClerx reported March'10 revenues at US\$ 15.8 mn (+6% QoQ) ahead of Emkay est. We note that given the improving demand environment, YoY revenue growth momentum at eClerx continues to pick up with YoY revenue growth accelerating to ~48% YoY in March'10 quarter V/s ~13% YoY revenue growth in June'09 quarter ( refer chart below). Operating profits at Rs 261 mn (-6.4% QoQ) were marginally lower than est on a/c of significant hiring during the quarter (net addition at 286, taking overall employee count to 2,863), with overall employee count up by ~45% over FY10. Profits came in at Rs 242 mn(+13.5% QoQ,+50% YoY).

#### Hiring remains aggressive, does well on reducing debtor days

eClerx continued to ramp up headcount on a/c of the improving macro environment with the overall headcount up by ~45% during the year. Further the company expects the 1<sup>st</sup> phase of it's newly acquired Airoli facility (44,000 sq ft) to come on-stream from June'10 onwards. We highlight that co management deserves appreciation in terms of bringing down debtors days to 56 in FY10 (V/s 83 in FY09)

#### Maintain BUY with an unchanged price target of Rs 540

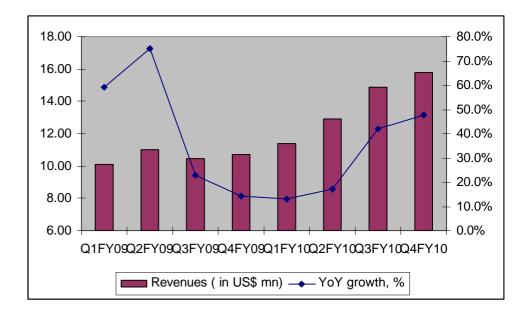
eClerx continues to deliver in line with our positive thesis driven by improving macro environment. We tweak our FY11E/FY12E earnings upwards to Rs 51.5/Rs 61.5 (V/s Rs 51.3/Rs 60.4 earlier) (our estimates based at US\$/INR of Rs 45/\$). Co has paid a final dividend of Rs 10/share, taking full year dividend paid to Rs 17.5/share (dividend payout ratio at ~46%). Maintain BUY with an unchanged March'11 price target of Rs540.

#### Financial Snapshot

Year end March (in Rs mn)	Net Sales	EBITDA	EBITDA %	PAT	EPS (Rs)	ROE %	EV/ EBITDA	P/B (x)	Div Yield (%)	P/E (x) (x)
FY09	1,973	837	42.4	621	32.7	43.4	11.0	5.7	2.5	14.5
FY10	2,570	1,004	39.1	736	37.9	40.3	8.9	4.8	3.7	13.1
FY11E	3,257	1,143	35.1	998	51.5	44.1	7.3	3.8	4.2	9.6
FY12E	4,052	1,396	34.4	1,192	61.5	41.9	5.6	3.0	5.0	8.1

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In Rs mn	Q4FY10A	Q3FY10	QoQ(%)	Q4FY09	YoY(%)
Net sales	713	691	3.2%	543	31.3%
Total Income	713	691		543	
Operating expenses	452	412		304	
EBITDA	261	279	-6.4%	239	9.1%
Margins (%)	36.6	40.3		44.1	
Depreciation	19	18		19	
EBIT	242	261	-7.3%	220	9.9%
Margins (%)	33.9	37.7		40.5	
Interest Paid	0	0		0	
Other income	26	-20		-34	
Non-recurring items	0	0		20	
Pre-tax profit	268	241	11.3%	206	29.8%
Tax provided	25	27		17	
Profit after tax	242	213		189	
Emkay Net profit	242	213	13.5%	162	49.7%
EPS, Rs	12.5	11.0		8.6	



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# **Key Financials**

# Income Statement

Y/E, Mar (Rs. m)	FY09	FY10E	FY11E	FY12E
Net Sales	1,973	2,570	3,257	4,052
Growth (%)		30	27	24
Total Expenditure	(1,136)	(1,567)	(2,114)	(2,656)
Growth (%)		38	35	26
EBIDTA	837	1,004	1,143	1,396
Growth (%)		20	14	22
EBIDTA %	42.4	39.1	35.1	34.4
Other Income	(67)	(105)	94	135
Depreciation	(73)	(70)	(89)	(111)
EBIT	697	828	1,148	1,419
Interest	-	-	-	-
EBT	697	828	1,148	1,419
Tax	(76)	(93)	(149)	(227)
EAT	621	736	998	1,192
Growth (%)		19	36	19
EAT (%)	31.5	28.6	30.7	29.4

# **Balance Sheet**

Deferred Tax Total Assets

Balance Sneet			
Y/E, Mar (Rs. m)	FY09	FY10	FY11E
Equity share capital	190	193	193
Reserves & surplus	1,466	1,805	2,337
Minority Interest	-	-	=
Networth	1,657	1,998	2,529
Secured Loans	-	-	-
Unsecured Loans	-	-	-
Loan Funds	-	-	-
Total Liabilities	1,657	1,998	2,529
Goodwill	108	101	101
Gross Block	383	473	619
Less: Depreciation	(182)	(252)	(341)
Net block	309	323	379
Capital WIP	1	-	-
Investment	851	775	775
<b>Current Assets</b>	970	1,365	2,216
Inventories	-	-	-
Sundry debtors	451	392	535
Cash & bank balance	213	472	1,056
Loans & advances	101	210	268
Other current assets	205	290	357
Current Liab & Prov	482	471	848
Current liabilities	231	220	419
Provisions	251	251	428
Net current assets	488	894	1,368
Misc exps	-	-	-

Cash Flow	FY09	FY10E	FY11E	FY12E
Net Profit after Tax	621	736	998	1,192
Add : Depreciation	73	70	89	111
Add : Misc exp w/off	201			
Net changes in WC	(401)	(146)	(68)	(181)
Operational Cash Flows	493	660	1,197	1,239
Capital expenditure	(121)	(82)	(146)	(191)
Investments				
Investing Cash Flows	(121)	(82)	(146)	(191)
Borrowings	(40)	-	-	-
dividend paid	(277)	(412)	(467)	(558)
Issue of shares	(12)	98	(3)	1
Financing Cash Flows	(329)	(315)	(470)	(557)
changes in cash	44	263	580	491
Opening balance	224	213	472	1,056
Closing balance	213	472	1,056	1,545

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Key ratios	FY09	FY10	FY11E
EPS (Rs)	32.7	37.9	51.5
CEPS (Rs)	37.9	41.5	56.1
Book Value Per Share (Rs)	87.1	103.0	130.4
Dividend Per Share (Rs)	12.5	18.2	20.6
Valuations Ratios (x)			
PER	14.5	13.1	9.6
P/CEPS	12.9	11.8	8.7
P/BV	5.7	4.8	3.8
EV/EBIDTA	11.0	8.9	7.3
EV/Sales	4.7	3.5	2.6
M-Cap/sales	4.8	3.7	2.9
Profitability Ratios (%)			
RoCE	45.8	44.9	40.5
RoNW	43.4	40.3	44.1
EBITDA Margin	42.4	39.1	35.1
EBIT Margins	38.7	36.3	32.4
Net Profit Margin	31.5	28.6	30.7

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