Hotel Leelaventures

Sidharth Agrawal

+91 22 67069940

sidharth.agrawal@investsmartindia.com

Ember Pereira

+91 22 67069940

ember.pereira@investsmartindia.com

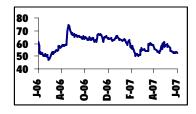
Shareholding (%)

Promoters	49.1
FII's	15.8
MFs	4.9
Insurance Co.	<i>5.2</i>
Others	25.0

Share price performance

52-week high/low (Rs) 81/45					
	-1m	-3m	-12m		
Abs (%)	-10.8	-4.7	-14.1		
Rel* (%)	-11.0	-16.2	-53.7		
*to Niftv					

Stock chart



Dissatisfying performance

Hotel Leelaventures Ltd. (HLVL) reported an increase in net sales in Q4FY07 by 16.5% YoY to Rs1,167mn from Rs1,002mn in Q4FY06. However, EBITDA fell 3% to Rs472mn from Rs487mn and EBITDA margin fell sharply by 810bps to 40% from 48.6% in Q4FY06. Growth in net profit has been less than satisfactory; excluding the other income component which has been accounted for, in both Q4FY07 and Q4FY06, net profit has fallen by 11% to Rs200mn in Q4FY07 from Rs225mn in Q4FY06.

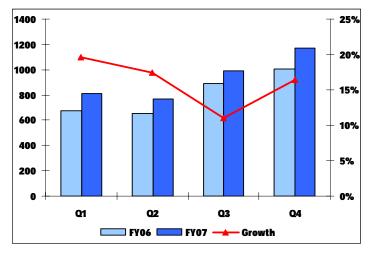
Going forward, we don't see significant growth in topline over the next two-three years, due to peak level attained in ARR in Bangalore, which contributes about 49% to topline, and due to delay in commencement of HLVL's new properties. Also, the recent acquisition of three acres land in Delhi, for Rs6,110mn, for constructing a 250 room property there, would enable break-even only at 40% higher ARR than the existing rates in Delhi.

At the current market price of Rs53, the stock is trading at 16x FY08E and 15.8x FY09E. Taking into account the above concerns we downgrade our rating to 'Hold'.

Key highlights of Q4FY07 results are:

Sales growth: In Q4FY07, HLVL's net sales increased by 16.5% to Rs1,167mn from Rs1,002mn in Q4FY06. During the quarter, the company reported ARR of Rs11,939 as against Rs9,291 in Q4FY06 and occupancy levels of 75%. These have led to 24% growth in RevPar to Rs9,073 in Q4FY07 from Rs7,296 in Q4FY06.

Chart 1: Sales and Sales growth



Source: IISL research, company

HOLD

Rs 53

June 25, 2007

Market cap Rs bn 20 US\$ mn 479

Avg 3m daily volume

1,554,529

Avg 3m daily value

USD mn 2

Shares outstanding (mn)

370

Reuters

HTLE.BO/HOTELEELA.NS

Bloomberg

LELA IN

14,488

Nifty

4,259

Hotel Leelaventures

- ▲ Fall in EBITDA and EBITDA margins: During the quarter under consideration, EBITDA fell by 3% to Rs472mn from Rs487mn in Q4FY06, other expenses increased significantly by 63% to Rs381mn from Rs233mn in Q4FY06. This in turn had an adverse impact on EBITDA margins, which fell by 810bps to 40% in Q4FY07 from 48% in Q4FY06.
- Increase in profit largely supported by other income: Net profit during the quarter rose to Rs448mn from Rs375mn, an increase of 19%. This increase can mainly be attributed to a significant rise in other income to Rs247mn in Q4FY07. Excluding other income in this quarter and similarly Rs 149 mn from Q4FY06, net profit has fallen by 11% to Rs200mn from Rs225mn in Q4FY06.
- ▲ Land acquisition in Delhi: The company recently won a bid to acquire a threeacre hotel property in Africa Avenue, a prime location in South Delhi, for a sum of Rs6,110mn. The company has raised an FCCB of \$100mn for funding the same. We believe the price paid by HLVL for this 250-room property seems on the higher side. As per our calculation in the table below, this property will take about 13 years to break-even.
- We believe, for this property to breakeven, HLVL would require ARR of Rs 16,000 which is about 40% higher than the existing rates in Delhi. On the contrary, this increase could mount pressure on occupancy levels and delay break-even further, which would then affect its cash flows.

Table 1. Delhi property - Breakeven analysis

ARR (Rs)	10000	11000	13500	16460
Number of rooms	250	250	250	250
Occupancy levels (%)	75%	75%	75%	75%
number of days p.a.	365	365	365	365
Room revenues(Rs mn)	68	75	924	1126
F&B(% of room revenues)	40%	38%	36%	34%
F&B revenues (Rs mn)	27	29	333	383
Total revenues (Rs mn)	96	104	1257	1509
EBITDA (%)	45%	45%	45%	45%
EBITDA (Rs mn)	43	47	565	679
Less: Depreciation (Rs mn)	200	200	200	200
EBIT (Rs mn)	-157	-153	365	479
Less: Interest (Rs mn)	480	480	480	480
PBT (Rs mn)	-636.68	-633.05	-114.37	-0.53

Particulars Particulars	Cost (Rs mn)_
Cost of land	6110
number of rooms	250
Cost of land per room	24.4
cost of construction per room	10
Total cost per room	34.4
number of rooms	250
Total cost	8610

Hotel Leelaventures

Sources of funds	Rs mn
FCCB (\$10 cr) YTM 7.8% Period 5 years	4100
Other debt @ 8%	2000
Balance Equity	2510
Calculation of Depreciation	Rs mn
Investment in fixed assets (excluding depreciation)	2500
Depreciation (%)	8%
Depreciation	200

Calculation of Interest	Rs mn
on FCCBs @7.8%	320
on Other debt @8%	160
Total interest cost	480

Source: IISL research, company

- △ Going forward growth looks sluggish: Bangalore contributes 49% to topline and has almost reached its peak ARR level of about Rs19,000 in FY07. We do not foresee considerable growth from these levels, and therefore believe whatever growth HLVL registers over the next two years will be sluggish, till its new properties commence operation.
- ▲ Valuation: At the current market price of Rs53, the stock is trading at 16x
 FY08E and 15.8x FY09E. Considering the delay in commissioning of new
 projects and the absence of growth in ARR in Bangalore, we downgrade this
 stock from 'Buy' to 'Hold'.

Hotel Leelaventures

Table 2. Standalone- Quarterly result table

Rs mn	Q4FY07	Q4FY06	YoY (%)	Q3FY07	QoQ (%)
Net Sales	1167.4	1002.4	16.5	990.0	17.9
Total Expenses	695.4	515.7	34.9	486.4	43.0
F&B cost	75.2	59.8	25.8	65.2	15.3
Staff Cost	167.9	148.3	13.2	141.3	18.8
Power and Fuel	70.8	74.7	-5.2	65.9	7.4
Other Expenses	381.5	233.0	63.8	214.0	78.3
EBITDA	472.0	486.7	-3.0	503.6	-6.3
Other Income	247.0	149.6	65.1	25.0	888.0
PBIT	719.0	636.4	13.0	528.6	36.0
Interest	72.9	55.7	30.9	66.9	9.0
Depreciation	89.0	95.6	-6.9	83.8	6.2
PBT	557.1	485.1	14.8	377.9	47.4
Тах	109.4	110.0	0.0	21.5	408.8
PAT	447.7	375.1	19.4	356.4	25.6
Equity	740.0	740.0	0.0	740.0	0.0
EPS (Rs)	1.21	1.01	19.4	0.96	25.6
Key Ratios (%)				0.7	
EBITDA Margin	40.4	48.6		50.9	
Interest / Sales	6.2	5.6		6.8	
Tax / PBT	19.6	22.7		5.7	
NPM	38.4	37.4		36.0	

Source: IISL research, company

Hotel Leelaventures

Financials Consolidated

Profit & Loss					Balance Sheet				
in Rs mn	FY06	FY07	FY08E	FY09E	In Rs mn	FY06	FY07	FY08E	FY09E
Net sales	3,433.3	4,155.7	5,410.9	5,762.2	Equity capital	737.1	740.6	845.4	845.4
YoY (%)	33.8	21.0	30.2	6.5	Preference capital	387.5	387.5	387.5	387.5
Total expenses	1,809.1	2,224.1	2,727.4	2,904.5	Reserves	7,088.9	11,485.3	13,015.6	14,655.5
Inc/dec in stock	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Net worth	7,826.0	12,225.9	13,861.1	15,500.9
F&B Costs	225.9	275.0	373.1	397.3					
Staff cost	472.4	590.0	765.5	815.2	Total borrowings	11,903.8	12,359.5	13,852.7	14,309.7
Fuel Cost	280.7	310.3	394.4	420.0	Deferred tax	362.8	362.8	362.8	362.8
Upkeep and Maint. Exp.	281.3	0.0	427.2	454.9	Total liabilities	20,092.6	24,948.3	28,076.6	30,173.4
Other expenses	548.7	1,048.8	767.4	817.2					
EBIDTA	1,624.2	1,931.6	2,683.4	2,857.7	Gross block	17,822.0	18,678.6	18,788.8	19,740.6
YoY (%)	26.6	18.9	38.9	6.5	Less: Acc. depreciation	2,506.8	2,889.0	3,278.5	3,685.9
EBIDTA (%)	47.3	46.5	49.6	49.6	Net block	15,315.2	15,789.6	15,510.3	16,054.7
Other income	204.9	675.6	200.0	200.0	CWIP	1,455.0	2,610.0	5,140.0	10,200.0
PBIDT	1,829.1	2,607.2	2,883.4	3,057.7					
Interest	377.4	347.1	464.2	523.1	Investments	0.6	3,281.1	4,256.1	1,363.5
Gross profit	1,451.7	2,260.1	2,419.2	2,534.6	Current assets	4,018.0	4,026.4	3,998.2	3,403.1
Depreciation	348.9	376.9	389.6	407.3	Inventories	279.2	322.2	294.0	698.9
PBT and extra ordinary	1,102.9	1,883.2	2,029.6	2,127.3	Debtors	283.8	381.6	381.6	381.6
Extra ordinary items	(14.0)	0.0	0.0	0.0	Cash	1,647.8	1,700.0	1,700.0	700.0
PBT	1,088.8	1,883.2	2,029.6	2,127.3	Loans and advances	1,807.2	1,622.6	1,622.6	1,622.6
(-) Tax	384.5	617.2	664.2	711.1	Current liabilities	475.2	537.9	607.0	626.9
Tax/ PBT	35.3	32.8	32.7	33.4	Provisions	221.0	221.0	221.0	221.0
PAT	704.4	1,266.0	1,365.5	1,416.2	Net current assets	3,321.8	3,267.6	3,170.2	2,555.2
Adjusted net profit	704.4	1,266.0	1,365.5	1,416.2	Miscellaneous expenses	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
YoY (%)	21.9	79.7	7.9	3.7	Total assets	20,092.6	24,948.3	28,076.6	30,173.4

	FY06	FY07	FY08E	FY09E
EPS (Rs)	1.9	3.4	3.2	3.4
Adjusted EPS (Rs)	1.9	3.4	3.2	3.4
CEPS (Rs)	18.1	4.4	4.6	4.9
Book value (Rs)	106.2	33.0	32.8	36.7
Dividend per share (Rs)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Debt-equity (x)	1.5	1.0	1.0	0.9
ROCE	6.5	6.3	8.3	8.2
ROE	9.0	10.4	9.9	9.1
Valuations				
PE (x)	27.7	15.5	16.4	15.8
Cash PE (x)	2.9	11.9	11.6	10.8
Price/book value (x)	0.5	1.6	1.6	1.4
Dividend yield	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Market cap/sales	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.8
EV/sales (x)	4.1	3.5	3.1	3.1
EV/EBDITA (x)	8.7	7.6	6.2	6.3

Cash Flow				
In Rs mn	FY06	FY07	FY08E	FY09E
Net profit	704.4	1,266.0	1,549.7	1,659.2
Depn and w/o	348.9	376.9	389.6	407.3
Deferred tax	280.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in working cap	283.9	18.9	40.9	424.8
Other income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Operating cash flow	1,617.1	1,661.8	1,980.2	2,491.4
Other income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Сарех	(4,374.0)	(2,006.2)	(2,640.3)	(6,011.7)
Investments	0.5	(3,280.5)	(975.0)	2,892.6
Investing cash flow	(4,373.5)	(5,286.8)	(3,615.3)	(3,119.1)
Dividend	0.0	0.0	19.4	19.4
Fresh equity	1,519.3	3,133.9	0.0	0.0
Debt	4,159.9	455.7	1,493.2	456.9
Financing cash flow	5,679.1	3,589.6	1,512.6	476.3
Others	(2,870.6)	35.4	(982.3)	(517.3)
Net change in cash	52.1	0.0	(1,104.8)	(668.7)
Opening cash	1,647.8	1,700.0	1,700.0	700.0
Closing cash	1,700.0	1,700.0	700.0	0.0



Hotel Leelaventures

Hotel

IISL and other group companies, its directors, associates, employees may have various positions in any of the stocks, securities and financial instruments dealt in the report or may make sale or purchase or other deals in the securities from time to time or may deal in other securities of the companies/ organizations described in this report

Certification of Research Analyst

We, Sidharth Agrawal & Ember Pereira, hereby certify that: the views expressed in the attached research report accurately reflect our personal views about companies mentioned in the report, and our compensation is not directly or indirectly, related to the specific views or recommendations expressed in the research report.

Disclaimer Clause

This report has been prepared by the Research Department of IL&FS Investsmart Securities Limited (IISL). E*TRADE Financial Corporation holds an equity interest in IISL. E*TRADE and the asterisk logo are registered trademarks of E*TRADE Financial Corporation or its subsidiaries and are used with permission.

The information and opinions contained herein have been compiled or arrived at based upon information obtained in good faith from sources believed to be reliable. Such information has not been independently verified and no guarantee, representation or warranty, express or implied is made as to its accuracy, completeness or correctness. All such information and opinions are subject to change without notice. This report has been produced independently of any company or companies mentioned herein, and forward looking statements, opinions and expectations contained herein are entirely those of IISL and given as part of its normal research activity and not as a Manager or Underwriter of any Offering or as an agent of the subject company (the "Company") or any other person. Accordingly if any such Company should at any time commence an Offering of securities, any decision to invest in any such Offer or invitation to subscribe for or acquire securities of any such Company must be based wholly on the information contained in the Final Prospectus issued or to be issued by any such Company in connection with any such Offer or invitation and not on the contents hereof. This document is for information purposes only and is provided on an "as is" basis. Descriptions of any company or companies or their securities mentioned herein are not intended to be complete and this document is not, and should not be construed as an offer, or solicitation of an offer, to buy or sell any securities or other financial instruments. We are not soliciting any action based on this research report.

IISL, its directors, analysts or employees do not take any responsibility, financial or otherwise, of the losses or the damages sustained due to the investments made or any action taken on basis of this report, including but not restricted to, fluctuation in the prices of the shares and bonds, changes in the currency rates, diminution in the NAVs, reduction in the dividend or income, etc.

This report is not directed to or intended for display, downloading, printing, reproducing or for distribution to or use by any person or entity who is a citizen or resident or located in any locality, state, country or other jurisdiction where such distribution, publication, reproduction, availability or use would be contrary to law or regulation or would subject IISL or its affiliates to any registration or licensing requirement within such jurisdiction. If this report is inadvertently sent or has reached any individual in such country, the same may be ignored and brought to the attention of the sender. This document may not be reproduced, distributed or published for any purpose without prior written approval of IISL.

Foreign currency denominated securities, if any, wherever mentioned are subject to exchange rate fluctuations which could have an adverse effect on their value or price, or the income derived from them. In addition, investors in securities such as ADRs or GDRs, the values of which are influenced by foreign currencies effectively assume currency risk. Certain transactions, including those involving futures, options and high yield securities give rise to substantial risk and are not suitable for all investors.



Hotel

Hotel Leelaventures

This research report is for the general information and does not take into account the particular investment objectives, financial situation or needs of any individual customer, and it does not constitute a personalized recommendation of any particular security or investment strategy. Before acting on any advice or recommendation in this research report, a customer should consider whether it is suitable given the customer's particular circumstances and, if necessary, seek professional advice. Certain transactions, including those involving futures, options, and high yield securities, give rise to substantial risk and are not suitable for all investors.

E*TRADE Capital Markets, LLC, E*TRADE Canada Securities Corporation, E*TRADE Securities Limited and E*TRADE Securities (Hong Kong) Limited (together with E*TRADE Financial Corporation and collectively "E*TRADE") do not represent or endorse the accuracy or reliability of any of the information or content of the research report and reliance upon it is at your own risk. E*TRADE expressly disclaims any and all warranties, express or implied, including without limitation warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose with respect to the research report and any information in it. E*TRADE shall not be liable for any direct, incidental, punitive or consequential damages of any kind with respect to the research report.

Distribution of this report into the United States is intended to be solely to "major U.S. institutional investors" pursuant to Rule 15a-6 under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act 1934, as amended. All U.S. persons that receive this report, by their acceptance thereof, represent and agree that they are a major U.S. institutional investor and understand the risks associated in executing transactions in securities. U.S. persons wishing to obtain further information or effect transactions in any securities mentioned in the attached report should contact E*TRADE Capital Markets, LLC, 135 East 57th Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10022, Telephone Number- 646-840-8730, Fax - 646-840-8701.

Research, analysis, charting, reports, estimates, commentary, information, data, views, opinions, news and other content (collectively, the "Research") provided to you by E*TRADE Canada Securities Corporation ("E*TRADE Canada") is for informational purposes only. The Research provided herein by E*TRADE Canada has been prepared by IISL, but such research has been prepared independently from E*TRADE Canada and its employees. Accordingly, the Research may not have been, and no representation is made that such Research has been, prepared in accordance with Canadian disclosure requirements. Neither the Research nor the profiles of the third party research providers have been endorsed or approved by E*TRADE Canada, and E*TRADE Canada is not responsible for the content thereof or for any third party products or services. Some Research may contain financial information, but nothing in the Research constitutes a recommendation by E*TRADE Canada to buy, sell or hold any security discussed therein, and the Research neither is, nor should it be construed as, an offer or a solicitation of an offer to buy or sell securities by E*TRADE Canada. E*TRADE Canada does not provide investment advice or recommendations of any kind, nor advice regarding the suitability or profitability of any investment. You are fully responsible for any investment decisions that you make and any profits or losses that may result. Any opinions, views, advice, services or other content provided by a third party are solely those of such third party, and E*TRADE Canada neither endorses nor accepts any liability in respect thereof.

E*TRADE Securities Limited is a company registered in Scotland No. SC103238 with its principal place of business at 42nd Floor, One Canada Square, London E14 5AA, United Kingdom. Registered Office: 24 Great King Street, Edinburgh EH3 6QN, United Kingdom. E*TRADE Securities Limited is a member of the London Stock Exchange and is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority.

E*TRADE Securities (Hong Kong) Limited is licensed by the Hong Kong Securities & Futures Commission under Central Entity Number: ACT 764. Registered Office: Suite 2401-12 Two Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Admiralty, Hong Kong.