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IT Services

Sell

Target Price: Rs940 CMP: Rs1,124* Downside: 16% *as on 14 July 2011

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TCS Q1FY12 Result Update

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Caution creeping in

While Q1 PAT (ex-forex gain) was in-line, company commentary, while not as cautious as the one delivered by Infosys a few days back, indicated weakening demand at the margin. For the first time the company talked about being 'Entrepreneurial' in the context of uncertain macro economic conditions (meaning not understood by us). It also indicated that its pricing uptick expectations have moderated (without elaborating on specific reasons). It expects pricing to pick up later than previously anticipated. While the company would want to brush aside the 50bps negative impact of pricing on growth in Q1, we believe this data point and the commentary tie in. Besides, TCS talked down expectations of a seasonally strong Q2. These statements from TCS – in our opinionindicate, at the margin, a weaker demand environment and/or greater competitive intensity.

As had been our view since our sector initiation in Oct 2010 – 'Focus on the Macro and not the Micro' - the large BFSI exposure, which helped deliver industry leading growth in FY11 for TCS, might become its Achilles heel in the medium term if the sovereign debt crisis in peripheral Europe takes a turn for the worse (which it is threatening to in the next few years if not earlier) and/or if developed economies do not grow fast enough creating profit pressures for developed market financial firms. Besides, we believe the big M&A integration demand driver is behind us. We believe compliance and regulatory related work will likely not be able to fully compensate for the loss. Higher BFSI exposure and materially lower ROIC vis-à-vis Infosys makes us prefer Infosys over TCS (while being cautious on the sector as a whole). Despite our revised earning estimates, we maintain Sell with target price of Rs940.

- O All round growth drives Q1 but BFSI lags: While Telecom, Retail and Hi-Tech showed double digit growth in the quarter, BFSI sector grew at 5.8% QoQ in dollar terms, lower than company's growth supporting our view that BFSI sector growth in FY12 will likely underperform.
- O Estimates/TP revised upwards; Maintain Sell. We have revised our earning estimates upwards by 7.6/8.1% for FY12/FY13 to factor in higher than previously expected volumes, better margins and higher other income. We however believe that TCS should trade at ~14% discount to Infosys due to its lower ROIC and at par growth rate. We ascribe a P/E of 16.4x arriving at a target price of Rs940 and maintain Sell.

Key Data	
Bloomberg Code	TCS IN
Reuters Code	TCS.BO
Current Shares O/S (mn)	1,957.2
Diluted Shares O/S(mn)	1,957.2
Mkt Cap (Rsbn/USDbn)	2,199.3/49.4
52 Wk H / L (Rs)	1,247/763
Daily Vol. (3M NSE Avg.)	1,448,750
Face Value (Rs)	1
1 USD = Rs44.5	

One Year Indexed Stock Performance



Price Performance (%)

	1M	6M	1Yr
TCS	(5.7)	0.3	45.1
NIFTY	1.8	(1.0)	4.0

Source: Bloomberg, Centrum Research *as on 14 July 2011

Y/E March (Rsmn)	Q1FY12	Q1FY11	YoY (%)	Q4FY11	QoQ (%)	Q1FY12E	Var (%)
Net sales	107,970	82,713	30.5	101,575	6.3	105,913	1.9
Cost of revenue	60,175	45,230		55,205		61,525	
% of sales	55.7	54.7		54.3		58.1	
Other expenditure	19,534	14,363		17,613		16,830	
% of sales	18.1	17.4		17.3		15.9	
Operating profit	28,261	23,120	22.2	28,757	(1.7)	27,558	2.6
OPM (%)	26.2	28.0		28.3		26.0	
Interest	0	0		0		0	
EBT	28,261	23,120		28,757		27,558	
Other income	2,887	820		2,239	28.9	1,956	47.6
РВТ	31,147	23,940	30.1	30,996	0.5	29,514	5.5
Provision for tax	7,063	4,475		6,772		6,493	
-effective tax rate (%)	22.7	18.7		21.8		22.0	
Minority share in profit / loss	281	292		415		292	
PAT (reported)	23,803	19,173	24.1	23,809	(0.0)	22,728	4.7
Exceptional item (adj-post tax)	0	0		0		0	
PAT (adjusted)	23,803	19,173	24.1	23,809	(0.0)	22,728	4.7
NPM (%)	22.0	23.2		23.4		21.5	

EV/EBITDA (x) Y/E Mar (Rsmn) YoY (%) EBITDA EBITDA (%) Adjust. PAT YoY (%) **Fully DEPS** RoE (%) RoCE (%) P/E (x) Revenue FY11 373,245 24.3 111,118 29.8 86,826 26.0 44 37.4 39.2 25 19 FY12E 470.065 101,727 17.2 52 35.7 38.1 25.9 132,919 28.3 22 16 FY13E 57 35.5 544,961 15.9 148,627 27.3 111,803 9.9 32.5 20 14 FY14E 612,234 12.3 158,188 25.8 119,956 7.3 61 29.4 32.1 18 13

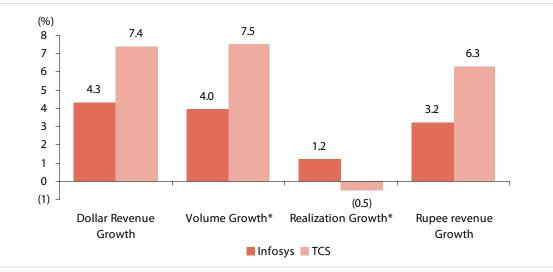
Source: Company, Centrum Research Estimates

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Volume led topline growth

TCS lived up to the elevated expectation of the market by reporting revenues above estimate. It reported a topline growth of 6.3% qoq in rupee terms and 7.5% qoq in dollar terms. Revenue growth was driven by volume growth of 7.4% while foreign exchange, Realization growth and offshoring of work contributed +10bps, -50bps and -80 bps respectively to make up for the 6.3% rupee revenue growth. TCS outpaced Infosys in volume growth - 7.5% vs 4%.





Note: QoQ growth, *: For Consolidated IT services

Source: Companies, Centrum Research

Commentary in contrast to that of Infosys'

While managements of both companies shared the view of uncertain macro environment, TCS has been asserting that macro uncertainity has not dampened the overall business momentum and decision making – though as indicated in the first page, the commentary has turned relatively cautious when compared to that in previous quarters. Infosys on the other hand has been far more cautious in its commentary alluding to potential slowdown in decision making and discretionary spending not ramping up.

TCS's view is that the macro environment has been challenging and would continue to remain so for a while. It says that customers have begun to factor that in and begun taking decisions. The management indicated that its commentary on demand is based on its current discussions with customer companies and not a reading into what might happen going forward.

We believe the market share gain of TCS is because of its larger breadth of its offerings and a wider geographic footprint. We believe pricing is also being used as element to pick up higher market share if one reads into the commentary of the management

All round growth but BFSI lags

While Telecom, Retail and Hi-Tech showed double digit growth in the quarter, BFSI sector grew at 5.8% QoQ in dollar terms, lower than company's growth supporting our view that BFSI sector growth in FY12 will likely underperform company growth. With ~45% of total revenue coming from BFSI, it could be a potential threat to the company's growth in the medium term if the sovereign debt crisis in the peripheral European countries unfolds. BFSI's contribution in the incremental growth of the company has come down in the last two quarters. Telecom sector has been slow for the industry and strong growth in telecom vertical this quarter was on the back of discretionary projects in emerging markets which may not be sustainable going ahead.

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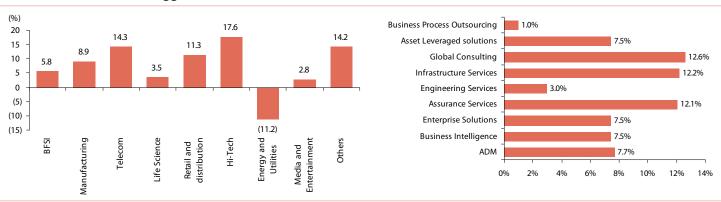


Exhibit 3: Consulting and IMS led the growth among services

Source: Company, Centrum Research

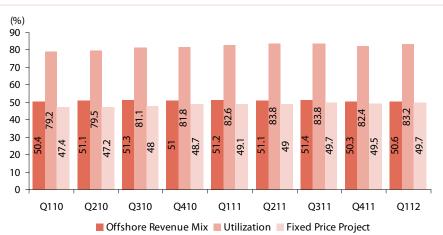
Exhibit 2: Growth in BFSI legged other verticals

Source: Company, Centrum Research

Growth is the only lever left; traditional levers exhausted

EBIT margin (IFRS) declined by ~210bps to 26.2% versus our estimate of 26%. Wage hike of 12-14% offshore and 2-3% onsite resulted in the expected margin decline. SG&A also went up by 80 bps resulting in the decline. PAT adjusted for forex swing of ~Rs906mn was in line with our estimate of Rs22728mn. While headwind of wage hike is now behind the company, growth is the only margin lever left with the company to counter any margin pressure arising in the future. Appreciation of rupee, promotions in Q2 are some of the headwinds that could impact the margins going ahead.





Source: Companies, Centrum Research

Estimate Revised upwards

We have revised our revenue estimates due to higher than expected volume growth in Q1 and giving the benefit of doubt to the management for their continued confidence in the business momentum. Improvement in margins is partly to do with change in the accounting standard to IFRS and partly due to higher growth. Our other income estimates have also moved up. Our FY12/FY13 FDEPS estimates have moved up by 7.6/8%. We are introducing FY14 numbers estimating a growth rate of ~12% for FY14. However our estimates for FY13 and FY14 remain below that of consensus estimates.

Exhibit 5: Estimate changes

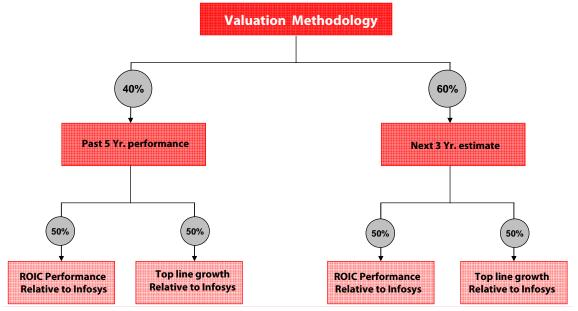
		FY12E		FY12E FY13E				FY14E		
(Rsmn)	Old	New	Difference (%)	Old	New	Difference (%)	New	YoY (%)		
Revenue	462,330	470,065	1.7	537,896	544,961	1.3	612,234	12.3		
EBITDA	125,588	132,919	5.8	143,252	148,627	3.8	158,188	6.4		
EBIT	116,006	123,366	6.3	132,105	137,333	4.0	145,500	5.9		
EBIT Margin (%)	25.1	26.2		24.6	25.2		23.8	-		
PAT	94,498	101,727	7.6	103,449	111,803	8.1	119,956	7.3		
EPS	48.3	52.0	7.6	52.9	57.1	8.1	61.3	7.3		

Source: Centrum Research Estimates

Target P/E of 16.4x based on our methodology

We ascribe target P/E multiple of 16.4x to TCS relative to Infosys' target multiple of 19x (Our industry frame of reference) based on the valuation methodology outlined by us in our sector initiation report *(Refer our Initiation report "Focus on the macro and not the micro" dated 19th Oct 2010)*. Our valuation methodology gives equal weights to Return on Invested Capital and revenue growth and it also considers both historical (last five years) and forward (next three years) performances. Following chart explains the valuation framework for arriving at the target P/E multiples relative to Infosys.

Exhibit 6: Our valuation methodology



Source: Centrum Research

Our target P/E multiple for Infosys is based on 10 year empirical P/E statistics for the company. We have arrived at 19x P/E for Infosys by discounting the last 10 year average one year forward P/E of 21.2x by ½ of its 10 year P/E standard deviation to factor in the lack of earnings visibility due to uncertain macro environment and the likely impact the various macro issues would have on demand from the BFSI sector.

Target P/E = μ (Forward P/E) – (1/2)* σ

μ: Average of 10 years

 σ : Standard Deviation of P/E; Represents risk to target P/E

Based on our valuation framework, we believe TCS should trade at ~14% discount to Infosys primarily due to lower ROIC and at slightly higher growth rates. We value TCS at 16.4x FY13E FDEPS arriving at a target price of Rs939.6.

Exhibit 7: Infosys P/E calculation (Empirical)

P/E Stats	10 year
Average	21.2
Std Dev	4.5
Hi	35.8
Low	10.2
Target P/E	19
Source: Bloombara (Contrum Posoarch

Source: Bloomberg, Centrum Research

Exhibit 8: Target P/E for TCS vis-à-vis Infosys

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Last 5 years		
ROIC Average (%)	88	62
Revenue CAGR (%)	24	24
Next 3 years		
ROIC Average (%)	85	55
Revenue CAGR (%)	17	18
Relative to Infosys'		
Last 5 years		
ROIC (%)	100	70
Revenue CAGR (%)	100	103
Next 3 years		
ROIC (%)	100	65
Revenue CAGR (%)	100	108
P/E Relative to Infosys (x)		
Last 5 years	19.0	16.5
Next 3 years	19.0	16.4
Target P/E (x)	19.0	16.4

Source: Company, Centrum Research Estimates

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Exhibit 9: Fact Sheet

	Q408	Q109	Q209	Q309	Q409	Q110	Q210	Q310	Q410	Q111	Q211	Q311	Q411	Q112
P and L (Rsmn)														
Revenue	60,947	64,107	69,534	72,770	71,718	72,070	74,351	76,503	77,365	82,172	92,864	96,634	101,575	107,970
EBITDA	13,900	14,147	16,848	18,020	17,030	17,893	19,531	20,887	21,279	22,306	26,008	27,132	28,457	28,261
PAT	12,559	12,437	12,615	13,525	13,173	15,203	16,239	17,975	19,477	18,442	21,064	23,302	24,018	23,803
Vertical Mix (%)														
BFSI	43.8	42.5	41.9	41.9	42.8	43.8	45.3	45.0	45.6	44.7	44.0	44.6	44.0	43.3
Manufacturing	13.0	10.7	11.0	10.6	9.8	8.7	8.2	7.7	7.8	7.4	7.4	7.2	7.5	7.6
Telecom	17.3	15.5	15.3	13.8	13.1	13.2	12.5	12.7	12.2	12.7	12.8	11.9	11.0	11.7
Life Sciences	5.1	5.3	4.8	5.2	5.7	4.9	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.2	5.4	5.2
Retail	8.2	8.6	9.0	11.2	12.0	10.6	10.4	10.5	10.9	11.0	10.9	10.9	11.2	11.6
Energy And Utility	2.8	2.9	3.0	2.6	2.7	2.5	2.7	3.4	3.0	3.3	4.3	4.4	4.6	3.8
Horizontal Mix (%)														
ADM	46.2	46.9	49.2	49	48.6	48.7	49.6	49.1	47.6	47.9	46.8	45	46.1	46.2
Business Intelligence	9.7	9	8.6	8.1	6.8	6.1	5.7	5.7	5.4	5.4	5.6	5.3	4.9	4.9
Product Engineering Services	5.3	5.6	6	6.3	5.8	5.2	5	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.6
Enterprise Solutions	13.7	13	12.5	12.6	11.8	10.9	10.3	10.5	10.1	9.8	10.3	9.6	10.8	10.8
Infrastructure Management	6.7	7.7	7.5	8.3	8.3	9.3	8	7.9	8.3	8.7	9.4	10.5	9.1	9.5
Business Process Outsourcing	6.3	6.1	5.8	5.8	11.1	11.4	11.8	11.5	11.5	11.2	10.9	11.4	11.6	10.9
Delivery (%)														
Offshore	42.1	40.9	42.8	43.6	47.7	50.4	51.1	51.3	51	51.2	51.1	51.4	50.3	50.6
Onsite	53.2	54.9	52.6	51	48.2	44.4	42.7	42.5	43.3	43.6	43.9	43.7	44.7	44.8
Project Type														
T&M	55.8	57.2	56.6	54.5	52.9	52.6	52.8	52	51.3	50.9	51	50.3	50.5	50.3
Fixed Price	44.2	42.8	43.4	45.5	47.1	47.4	47.2	48	48.7	49.1	49	49.7	49.5	49.7
Utilization (%) including trainees	75.8	74.6	74.7	71.8	69.4	71.3	73.6	77.2	74.3	74.8	77.7	77.1	75.1	76.2
Clients Concentration (%)														
Top Client	6.5	6.2	5.9	5.1	4.7	5.7	6.8	8.1	8.2	8.1	8	7.7	7.4	7.1
Top 5 Client	18.9	18.5	17.8	17.3	18.6	19.4	20.5	21.5	21.8	22	22.1	21.9	21.4	20.7
Top 10 Client	29.1	28.3	26.9	26.3	26.9	28	28.9	29.9	30.2	30.5	30.1	30.1	29.6	28.9
Number of Client														
\$100mn +	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	6	7	7	8	9	8	10
\$50mn +	19	21	22	23	24	23	23	23	23	24	25	25	27	33
Employee Number	111,407	116,308	121,610	130,343	143,761	141,642	141,962	149,654	160,429	163,700	174,417	186,914	198,614	202,190
Attrition - LTM (%)	12.6	12.8	13.2	11.9	11.4	11.5	11.4	11.5	11.8	13.1	14.1	14.4	14.4	14.8

Source: Company, Centrum Research

Financials (IFRS)

Exhibit 10: Income Statement

Y/E March (Rsmn)	FY11	FY12E	FY13E	FY14E
Net Sales	373,785	470,065	544,961	612,234
-Growth (%)	24.3	25.9	15.9	12.3
Cost of Sales & Services	204,296	261,652	309,535	356,532
% of sales	54.7	55.7	56.8	58.2
SG& A	64,179	75,493	86,799	97,514
% of sales	17.2	16.1	15.9	15.9
Other expenses	-	-	-	-
% of sales	-	-	-	-
EBIDTA	112,524	132,919	148,627	158,188
-EBIDTA margin (%)	30.1	28.3	27.3	25.8
Depreciation	7,214	9,553	11,294	12,688
EBIT	105,310	123,366	137,333	145,500
PBT from operations	105,310	123,366	137,333	145,500
Other non operating income	5,324	9,648	11,256	13,816
PBT	110,634	133,015	148,588	159,316
-PBT margin (%)	29.6	28.3	27.3	26.0
Provision for tax	21,739	30,164	35,661	38,236
Effective tax rate (%)	19.6	22.7	24.0	24.0
Minority Interest	1,191	1,124	1,124	1,124
Net profit	87,704	101,727	111,803	119,956
-Growth (%)	26.0	17.2	9.9	7.3
-Net profit margin (%)	23.5	21.6	20.5	19.6

Source: Company, Centrum Research Estimates

Exhibit 11: Balance Sheet

Y/E March (Rsmn)	FY11	FY12E	FY13E	FY14E
Share capital	1,957	1,957	1,957	1,957
Reserves & surplus	252,087	313,807	369,709	441,682
Total shareholder's fund	254,044	315,764	371,666	443,639
Loan fund	12,357	18,510	19,987	21,604
Deferred tax liability	-	6,430	6,430	6,430
Minority interest	3,147	3,274	3,274	3,274
Total capital employed	269,548	343,978	401,356	474,947
Gross block	88,184	104,410	123,704	146,392
Accumulated depreciation	36,188	45,742	57,036	69,724
Net Block	51,996	58,668	66,668	76,668
Investments	18,390	74,637	86,637	98,637
Goodwill and Intangibles	33,791	33,845	33,845	33,845
Cash and bank	54,874	69,711	95,024	134,157
Inventories	-	-	-	-
Debtors	82,007	121,345	137,871	154,911
Other current assets	27,974	17,631	19,667	21,798
Total current assets	164,855	208,687	252,563	310,865
Current liabilities and provisions	58,335	57,680	64,742	72,073
Net current assets	106,520	151,007	187,820	238,792
Other non current assets	58,850	25,821	26,385	27,004
Total assets	269,548	343,978	401,356	474,947

Source: Company, Centrum Research Estimates

Exhibit 12: Cash flow

Y/E March (Rsmn)	FY11	FY12E	FY13E	FY14E
Cash flow from operating				
Pre tax profit	110,634	133,015	148,588	159,316
Depreciation	7,214	9,553	11,294	12,688
Interest expenses	-	-	-	-
Other non cash charges	(1,191)	(1,124)	(1,124)	(1,124)
Operating profit before WC change	116,657	141,444	158,758	170,880
Working capital adjustments	(26,893)	(16,153)	(11,500)	(11,839)
Direct tax paid	(20,127)	(31,420)	(35,661)	(38,236)
Net cash generated from operating	69,638	93,870	111,597	120,805
Cashflow from investing				
Capex	(17,833)	(16,226)	(19,294)	(22,688)
Investments	(3,246)	(38,431)	(32,000)	(32,000)
Acquisition	(941)	(54)	(0)	(0)
Interest/dividends received	-	-	-	-
Other investing activities	(1,175)	(327)	(564)	(619)
Net cash from investing	(23,195)	(55,037)	(51,858)	(55,307)
Cash flow from financing				
Proceeds from SC and premium	1,631	682	-	-
Borrowings/(Repayments)	1,597	(1,021)	(200)	(200)
Interest paid	-	-	-	-
Dividend paid	(46,133)	(40,689)	(55,902)	(47,982)
Addition to reserves on amalgamation	-	-	-	-
Other financing activities	1,751	2,308	1,676	1,818
Net cashflow from financing	(41,154)	(38,719)	(54,425)	(46,365)
Effect of exchange rate	-	-	-	-
Net cash increase/(decrease)	5,289	114	5,313	19,133

Source: Company, Centrum Research Estimates

Exhibit 13: Key Ratios

Y/E March	FY11	FY12E	FY13E	FY14E
Profitability ratios (%)				
EBIDTA margin	30.1	28.3	27.3	25.8
PBIT margin	28.2	26.2	25.2	23.8
PBT margin	29.6	28.3	27.3	26.0
PAT margin	23.5	21.6	20.5	19.6
Return ratios (%)				
ROCE	39.2	38.1	35.5	32.1
ROIC	55.3	57.0	55.3	53.3
ROE	37.4	35.7	32.5	29.4
Turnover Ratios				
Asset turnover ratio (x)	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4
Working capital cycle (days)	97.7	118.7	124.8	131.3
Average collection period (days)	80.2	80.5	78.8	78.9
Average payment period (days)	53.0	49.9	47.9	46.7
Per share (Rs)				
Basic EPS	44.4	52.0	57.1	61.3
Fully diluted EPS	44.4	52.0	57.1	61.3
Book value	129.8	161.3	189.9	226.7
Dividend Per share	14.0	20.8	28.6	24.5
Solvency Ratio				
Debt-equity (%)	4.9	5.9	5.4	4.9
Interest coverage ratio	0	0	0	0
Valuation (x)				
P/E	25.3	21.6	19.7	18.3
P/BV	8.7	7.0	5.9	5.0
EV/EBIDTA	19.0	15.6	13.7	12.6
EV/Sales	5.7	4.4	3.7	3.2
M-cap/Sales	5.9	4.7	4.0	3.6

Source: Company, Centrum Research Estimates

Appendix A

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