

City Union Bank Ltd. (CUB)

PRICE Rs.48

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MEDIUM RISK

TARGET Rs.58

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BUY	
Price	Rs.47
Target	Rs.58
Date	Nov. 12, 2013

SHARE HOLDING (%)

Promoters	-
FII	21.8
FI / MF	7.8
Body Corporate	17.0
Public & Others	53.4

STOCK DATA

Reuters Code Bloomberg Co	CTBK.BO CUBK IN				
BSE Code NSE Symbol		532210 CUB			
Market Capitalization*		Rs. 25,867.2 mn US\$ 413.9 mn			
Shares Outstanding*		538.9 mn			
52 Weeks (H/L))	Rs.60 / 38			
Avg. Daily Volume (6m)		372,594 Shares			
Price Performa	nce (%	6)			
1M	3M	6M			
(2)	3	7			
*On fully diluted equity shares					
200 days EMA Rs.50					
Part of <i>Sushill</i> Bonanza					



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SALES: Devang Shah | +91 22 4093 6060/62 devang.shah@sushilfinance.com City Union Bank Ltd. (CUB) has reported decent set of numbers for the quarter ended December'13 with higher focus on asset quality. We attended the conference call of the company and following are the key highlights of the results.

Key Highlights of Q3FY14 results

- NII grew by 21% YoY & 4% QoQ on back of modest advances growth & improvement in NIM's which improved by 10 bps to 3.6% (QoQ 3.5%). Core Fee Income grew by 4% YoY to Rs.453 mn. Ongoing branch expansion coupled with one-time ex-gratia payments to employees (~Rs.100-120 mn in Q3) led to sharp rise in operating expenses (higher 30% YoY & 15% QoQ) which led to lower PAT growth of ~5% YoY. C/I increased to 48% v/s 44% in Q2 on back of moderate advances growth & higher operating expenses, however management expects C/I to improve going ahead.
- Advances & Deposits grew by 9% & 11% YoY while both were flat sequentially. Moderate advances growth was on account of conscious management decision to focus on profitable growth instead of aggressive credit growth. CASA improved marginally to 17.5% v/s 16.8% QoQ. Bulk Deposit remains at ~5-6% of the total deposits.
- Asset quality remained stable with GNPA & NNPA at 1.7% (Q2 1.66%) & 0.89% (Q2 0.83%) resp. Slippages came in lower at 0.57% (Rs.907 mn) v/s 0.96% QoQ (Rs.1500 mn) which includes one major account of ~Rs.400 mn from Steel segment. CUB has been focusing more on recovery with recovery rate of ~75-80%. It was successful in recovering ~Rs.400-450 mn from an account which slipped into NPA last quarter while remaining amount expected to be recovered by March'14 (~Rs.600-800 mn). Restructured book as % of advances stood at 1.9% v/s 1.4% in Q2 while PCR stood at 70%.
- <u>Management Guidance</u>: 1) Advances to grow at ~12-14% in FY14 with more focus on profitability 2) NIM's to remain stable at ~3.5-3.6% over the next 2-3 quarters 3) C/I likely to be ~45% over the long run 4) Branch expansion to continue with ~100 branches to be added by FY15E taking the total to ~500 branches 5) Asset quality likely to remain stable with no restructured pipeline 6) Tax Rate likely to be ~20-21% in FY14E.

OUTLOOK & VALUATION

Despite of the gloom economic scenario, CUB has reported decent set of numbers in Q3FY14 with major focus on profitable growth rather than aggressive credit growth. Moderate advances growth, lower core-fee income along with higher operating expenses did impact the profitability marginally in the current quarter. However with gradual economic recovery, we expect advances growth to be back on track going ahead. In our view, management stance of focusing on quality growth & maintaining healthy margins is likely to auger well for the bank in better times. Hence, considering the strong fundamentals & growth prospects over the long run, we maintain 'BUY' on the stock with a price target of Rs.58.

KEY FINANCIALS								
Y/E Mar.	Net Income (Rs mn)	PAT (Rs mn)	AEPS (Rs)	NIM (%)	P/E (x)	P/ABV (%)	ROE (%)	ROA (%)
FY12	4,998	2,802	6.9	3.4	7.0	1.6	24.9	1.7
FY13	6,240	3,220	6.8	3.3	7.1	1.5	22.3	1.6
FY14E	7,786	3,479	6.5	3.5	7.4	1.4	18.9	1.4
FY15E	8,875	3,719	6.9	3.5	7.0	1.2	17.0	1.3

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QUARTERLY STATEMENT (I					
Y/E March	Q3FY13	Q2FY14	Q3FY14		
Interest Income	5,556	6,404	6,461		
Interest Expense	3,921	4,506	4,486		
Net Interest Income	1,634	1,898	1,975		
Other Income	659	617	648		
-Core Fee Income	435	454	453		
Operating Income	2,293	2,516	2,623		
Employee Exps.	451	400	527		
Other Operating Exps.	529	708	749		
Operating Profit	1,313	1,408	1,347		
Provisions & Cont.	311	882	291		
-NPL Provisions	240	830	225		
РВТ	1,002	526	1,056		
Тах	150	(318)	165		
РАТ	852	844	891		
(%) YoY	18.0	4.9	4.5		

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT (Rs.m							
Y/E March	FY12	FY13	FY14E	FY15E			
Interest income	16,968	21,887	26,194	29,955			
Interest expense	11,970	15,647	18,409	21,080			
Net interest income	4,998	6,240	7,786	8,875			
Other income	2,071	2,736	2,941	3,315			
Total income	7,069	8,976	10,727	12,190			
Operating expenses	2,798	3,742	4,716	5,682			
Pre-provision Profit	4,270	5,234	6,011	6,508			
Total Provision	928	1,204	1,662	1,801			
-Provision for NPL	696	1,112	1,563	1,691			
РВТ	3,342	4,030	4,349	4,707			
Provision for Tax	540	810	870	989			
ΡΑΤ	2,802	3,220	3,479	3,719			
Growth %	30.3	14.9	8.0	7.0			

FINANCIAL RATIO STATEMENT

Y/E March	FY12	FY13	FY14E	FY15E	Y/E March	FY12	FY13	FY14E	FY15E
Profitability Ratios					Asset-Liab. Profile (%)				
EPS	6.9	6.8	6.5	6.9	Capital Adequacy Ratio	12.6	14.0	14.8	14.0
Earnings growth (%)	28.4	(1.1)	(4.9)	6.9	- Tier I CAR	11.7	13.3	14.1	13.4
CEPS	7.2	7.3	7.0	7.5	C/D ratio	74.3	75.1	75.8	77.2
PPP / Share	10.3	10.7	10.8	11.8	Loan Growth	31.1	25.6	12.5	18.5
ROAA (%)	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.3	Deposit Growth	26.5	24.3	11.5	16.3
ROE (%)	24.9	22.3	18.9	17.0	Balance Sheet Growth	25.8	25.2	13.1	16.8
Dividend Payout (%)	17.0	17.0	20.0	21.0	Equity / Assets	6.8	7.1	7.9	7.7
Efficiency Ratios (%)					Equity / Loans	10.2	10.8	11.9	11.5
C-I Ratio (Excl Treasury)	40.0	42.5	44.7	47.3	Spreads Analysis (%)				
Other Inc/Total Inc	28.5	29.1	26.2	26.2	Yield on Advances	13.0	13.2	13.4	13.2
Cost Asset Ratio	1.5	1.6	1.8	1.9	Yield on Investments	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.5
					Cost of funds	8.0	8.4	8.3	8.3
CASA	18.2	16.8	17.1	17.4	Net Interest Margin	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.5
Business /Emp. (in mn)	85.1	93.9	95.6	101.9	Valuation				
Profitability / Emp.	0.84	0.85	0.84	0.81	Dividend Yield (%)	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.5
Asset Quality Ratios (%)					BV / Share	30.5	34.6	38.0	43.5
Gross NPLs	1.0	1.1	1.7	1.8	Adjusted BV / Share	29.1	32.5	35.2	40.2
Net NPLs	0.4	0.6	0.9	0.9	P/E (x)	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.0
Coverage	56.2	44.3	47.5	53.3	P/PPP (x)	4.7	4.5	4.4	4.1
Provision/ Loans	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.8	P/ABV (x)	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.2

Source: Company, Sushil Finance Research Estimates



Rating Scale

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Risk Rating

Risk Description	Predictability of Earnings / Dividends; Price Volatility
Low Risk	High predictability / Low volatility
Medium Risk	Moderate predictability / volatility
High Risk	Low predictability / High volatility

Total Expected Return Matrix

Rating	Low Risk	Medium Risk	High Risk
Buy	Over 15 %	Over 20%	Over 25%
Accumulate	10 % to 15 %	15% to 20%	20% to 25%
Hold	0% to 10 %	0% to 15%	0% to 20%
Sell	Negative Returns	Negative Returns	Negative Returns
Neutral	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Not Rated	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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