IDFC

Propitious metamorphosis

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The estimated profitability of IDFC's new venture, i.e. IDFC Bank catapulted with RBI easing compliance costs for infra lending via long term unsecured bonds. This move significantly irons out the transition hardships which were anticipated at the time of grant of banking license. Benefits are twofold, 1) infra financing business can continue unabated which was not a very profitable option in the earlier format due to the onerous PSL/SLR/CRR burden and 2) pressure to scale up other lending and especially PSL is considerably lower now allowing it to take a calibrated and profit driven approach. In all, intrinsic profitability sees a massive jump from the earlier 10% RoE levels to 15% backed by 1.9% RoA by FY20E, the year when we expect stability to set in under the base case scenario. Significant upside can further accrue if RBI exempts all of current eligible infra loan from PSL/SLR/CRR requirements vis-à-vis the staggered format. We project bank's business model (in both scenarios) and along with the value of other businesses, assign fair value of INR181 (25% upside) for IDFC (50% probability to each case). Upgrade to 'Buy'.

Strategy: Still early days; technology to be the key differentiator

Recent RBI's regulations have charted a few paths for IDFC bank. Infrastructure will continue to be a sizeable portion of loans, gradually dropping but still at 60% by FY20E. Hence, infra income will cross subsidise setup of other businesses which can choose to grow at high pace only once they hit the healthy profitability zone. Technology will be a key differentiator and underlying theme. We understand that it will be a bimodal bank with urban presence very different from the rural India (Bharat banking). The strategy is to start at the extreme ends of the banking pyramid and then eventually fill the gap.

Outlook and valuations: Bank genesis healthy; Upgrade to 'Buy'

We are subscribers to the evolution model laid out for IDFC's metamorphosis from monoline NBFC to a universal bank. Top management's ability to shape this venture is undisputable given its previous track record. This coupled with bank's high intrinsic profitability of 1.9% RoA warrants P/ABV of 1.7x, (15% discount to the established banks with a similar return profile) and P/ABV of 1.8x (10% discount) for 2% RoA in blue sky scenario case. Along with IDFC Ltd. (NOFHC), shareholders will also hold 50% of bank directly. Post a holding company discount (15%) fair value is INR291 for FY20E. We discount it back to FY16E and arrive at a TP of INR181/share for IDFC Ltd (10% higher beta built in for execution risk). Upgrade to 'BUY/SO' from 'HOLD/SP'.

SOTP by FY20E (INR)

| | Base Case | Bull base | Combined |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| -Bank (Under IDFC Ltd.) | 93 | 104 | |
| -Other subsidiaries (Under IDFC Ltd.) | 77 | 77 | |
| -Bank (Direct holding) | 109 | 122 | |
| Total | 279 | 304 | |
| Fair value (50% probability) | | | 291 |
| Discounted back to FY16E (@14.5%) | | | 181 |

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|--------------------|------------|-----------|---------|----------|--|--|
| Absolute Rating | | | BUY | | | |
| Rating Relative to | Sector | | Outp | erformer | | |
| Risk Rating Relati | ve to Sect | or | Low | | | |
| Sector Relative to | Market | | Over | weight | | |
| | | | | | | |
| MARKET DATA (F | R: IDFC.BC |), B: IL | DFC I | N) | | |
| CMP | : 1 | : INR 145 | | | | |
| Target Price | | : 1 | INR 181 | | | |
| 52-week range (II | NR) | : : | 167 / | 86 | | |
| Share in issue (m | n) | : : | 1,517 | 7.1 | | |
| M cap (INR bn/US | SD mn) | : 2 | 220/ | 3,609 | | |
| Avg. Daily Vol.BSI | E/NSE('000 | 0) : : | 11,49 | 91.1 | | |
| | | | | | | |
| SHARE HOLDING | PATTERN | 1 (%) | | | | |
| | Current | Q4F | /14 | Q3FY14 | | |
| Promoters * | - | - | | - | | |
| MF's, FI's & BK's | 29.6 | 29. | 4 | 31.0 | | |

PRICE PERFORMANCE (%)

* Promoters pledged shares

(% of share in issue)

FII's

Others

| | Stock | Nifty | EW Banks and Financial Services Index | |
|-----------|-------|-------|---|--|
| 1 month | 15.7 | 3.1 | 1.8 | |
| 3 months | 39.9 | 15.3 | 18.3 | |
| 12 months | 39.3 | 32.8 | 48.1 | |

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Set of underlying assumptions for the upcoming bank

We draw a list of underlying assumptions that we have for the upcoming IDFC Bank. We detail the numbers for the base case first. For the blue sky scenario the only vector that changes is the amount of eligible infra loans exempt from the triple requirements of PSL/SLR/CRR, i.e. moving from staggered exemption to 100% exemption from FY16E itself. IDFC Ltd. is awaiting to hear from RBI on the clarification for the same. The issue of debate is whether the transfer of assets to IDFC Bank is to be considered as new loans and hence the entire exemption. We await clarity on the same.

Base case

Loans composition and growth rate: Infra loans to drop to 60% by FY20

When the banking entity comes into existence in October 2015, we expect a loan book of closer to INR517bn to be transferred from the current NBFC. Within this the proportion of infrastructure assets which falls under eligible credit, i.e. on which CRR/SLR/PSL is exempt would be approximately 20%. Under our base case scenario, the benefit of this book will flow in a staggered manner depending on the ageing of the book. 100% exemption to begin with will be the blue sky scenario which we discuss later. The components of the loan book is as follows:

- Infrastructure book: Utilising the expertise in this domain along with suitable regulations we anticipate a ~30% growth in this book over FY16-FY20E. However, since funding via the unsecured long term bond market is yet to be tested, some proportion of the growth might fall into the ineligible credit bucket on which the IDFC Bank will need to meet the triple requirements. Currently to project the growth of the eligible infra book we are working with a bond issuance constraint of INR150bn per annum. Any change to this number along with favorable lending environment can significantly improve profitability of the bank as it generates better RoA. We anticipate spreads on this book to be ~3%, similar to the current levels enjoyed by IDFC. By FY20E, infra component should become 60% of the loans from the current 100%.
- Corporate and retail lending: We expect IDFC to follow a calibrated approach as far as corporate and retail lending goes with pilot projects preceding any major rollouts. Also branch expansion might not be too aggressive (225 by FY20E) which is important for retail lending numbers. On a blended basis we anticiapte a doubling of the book for the first two-three years given the small base. Further strong relationships with the large corporates of the country will come in handy. The compsoition of the same is likely to be ~23% of the loan book of INR1.5tn by FY20E. Spreads clocked on the same will range from 1.25-1.5%.
- Priority sector lending: Depending on the growth clocked by the above two components (ineligible portion within the infra lending) the PSL requirements will flow. With the regulations exempting PSL on long term unsecured bonds funded infra lending the PSL requirements is considerably lower. We expect a CAGR of 19% in PSL book from FY17-FY20E. It remains to be seen if IDFC can generate all of this itself and hence portfolio buyouts remain a high possibility. We anticipate the lending rates to be very close to that of the cost of funds thereby not resulting in any meaningful NII accretion.

Chart 1: Loan book composition – Declining share of infra loans, 60% by FY20E

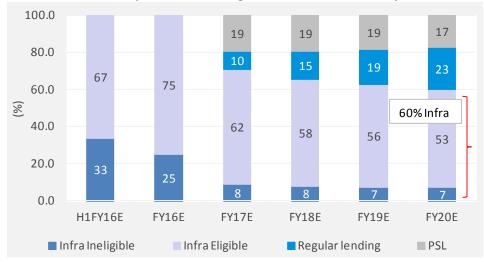
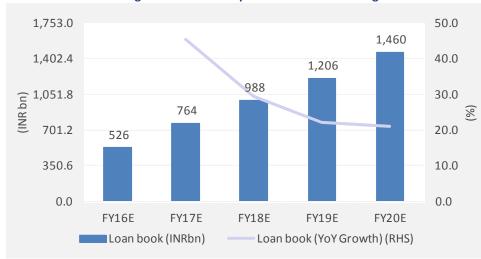


Chart 2: Loan book and growth rates anticipated – 30% CAGR taking it to INR1.5tn



Source: Company, Edelweiss research

Table 1: Credit eligible for regulatory incentives

| Period | Eligible Credit = EC |
|---|----------------------|
| From the date of circular till March 31, 2015 | B - 0.84A |
| April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016 | B - 0.7A |
| April 1, 2016 – March 31, 2017 | B - 0.56A |
| April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018 | B - 0.42A |
| April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019 | B - 0.28A |
| April 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020 | B - 0.14A |
| April 1, 2020 onwards | В |

Source: RBI

Note: A is Outstanding 'Standard' loans to Infrastructure sector (project loans) and affordable housing on the date of this circular

B is Outstanding 'Standard' loans to Infrastructure sector (project loans) and affordable housing on the date of issuance of the bonds

Table 2: PSL calculation, 19% CAGR expected from FY17-20E given benefits on infra

| INRmn | H1FY16E | FY16E | FY17E | FY18E | FY19E | FY20E |
|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| Loan book (L) | 517,337 | 525,960 | 763,921 | 987,952 | 1,206,279 | 1,460,308 |
| -Infra Ineligible | 172,446 | 129,334 | 64,667 | 74,367 | 85,522 | 98,351 |
| -Infra Eligible | 344,892 | 396,625 | 475,950 | 571,141 | 671,090 | 771,754 |
| -Regular lending | 0 | 0 | 75,000 | 150,000 | 225,000 | 337,500 |
| -PSL | 0 | 0 | 148,303 | 192,444 | 224,666 | 252,703 |
| | | | | | | |
| Eligible assets | | | | | | |
| Α | 344,892 | 344,892 | 344,892 | 344,892 | 344,892 | 344,892 |
| В | 344,892 | 396,625 | 475,950 | 571,141 | 671,090 | 771,754 |
| Staggered Factors | 0.70 | 0.70 | 0.56 | 0.42 | 0.28 | 0.14 |
| B-Factor*A | 103,467 | 155,201 | 282,811 | 426,286 | 574,520 | 723,469 |
| | | | | | | |
| Eligible credit (EC) | 103,467 | 155,201 | 282,811 | 426,286 | 574,520 | 723,469 |
| | | | | | | |
| ANBC (L-EC) | | 370,759 | 481,110 | 561,666 | 631,758 | 736,839 |
| PSL @40% | | | 148,303 | 192,444 | 224,666 | 252,703 |

Funding structure: Borrowings to still form substantial portion

Our interation with the management of IDFC makes us believe that branch expansion might not be at an aggressive pace. Hence we are building in muted SA accretion for the period under analysis reaching 4% of deposits by FY20E. CA however may see healthy accretion and clock 11% of the deposits given healthy corporate relations taking total CASA to 15%. Outside of this while unsecured bonds will be used to fund the infra book growth, retail TDs should come to aid for the other loans with wholesale borrowing filling the gap. Combining the yields and the cost of funds at 10.7% and 8.8% on a steady state basis, we expect NIMs of 3% by FY20E. The NIM trajectory continues to decline before reaching stability by FY19E. This is explained by the growing share of lower yielding non-infra lending.

Table 3: Distribution of the funding between deposits and borrowing

| Funding profile (%) | FY16E | FY17E | FY18E | FY19E | FY20E |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Deposits | - | 28.9 | 35.3 | 38.0 | 41.5 |
| -SA % of deposit | | 1.0 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 4.0 |
| -CA % of deposit | | 5.0 | 7.0 | 9.0 | 11.0 |
| -TD % of deposit | | 94.0 | 91.0 | 88.0 | 85.0 |
| Borrowings | 100.0 | 71.1 | 64.7 | 62.0 | 58.5 |

Table 4: NIMs to moderate from the current 3.6% levels and stabilize at 3%

| (%) | FY17E | FY18E | FY19E | FY20E |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Yield on assets | 11.0 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.7 |
| Cost of funds | 9.0 | 8.9 | 8.8 | 8.8 |
| Net interest margins | 3.6 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 3.0 |

Source: Company, Edelweiss research

Fee income: Conversion to a bank to significantly aid fee income

Under the aegis of a banking entity the fee income stream opens up significantly for IDFC and we expect to see a replica of high wholesale fee income clocking banks like Yes Bank and IndusInd Bank here as well. With the forex income flowing in and high debt market investment banking fee we anticipate fee income/assets to start at 1%. Another major vector comes from the ability to partcipate in the off balance sheet funding now which till not was not allowed in the NBFC format. Missing link would be the bancassurance income and retail fees which will flow in once the branch network reaches a critical mass.

Table 5: Comparative analysis across private banks indicate to fee income ranging from 1.2% to 2% of the asset base

| | Fees, tradin | g profit | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|--------------|----------|----------|------|----------|--------|-----------|------|-----------|--------|
| | and misc. i | ncome | -Fee Inc | ome | -Trading | Profit | -Misc. In | come | -Dividend | Income |
| (% of assets) | FY13 | FY14 | FY13 | FY14 | FY13 | FY14 | FY13 | FY14 | FY13 | FY14 |
| ICICI Bank | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| HDFC Bank | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Axis Bank | 2.1 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Yes Bank | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | (0.0) | 0.1 | - | - |
| IndusInd Bank | 2.1 | 2.4 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

Source: Company, Edelweiss research

Operating expenses: Infra business makes Cost Income look good

A typical wholesale bank is seen to have cost-income in the 35%-40% range as seen in the case of Yes Bank and Axis Bank which is on the higher end of the band given substantial retail presence now. However, IDFC Bank's case is very different as for the initial few years income from the infra financing book will form a dominant portion of the income profile. Since this is a 14-15% Cost-Income business on an average the blended ratios will look much lower than the numbers clocked by other wholesale heavy banks.

The bank is likely to reach a few hundred branches, i.e. 225-250 branches by FY20E. Taking an average of 55 employees per branch (similar to numbers seen in the case of Yes Bank as the time of start up before moderating) with INR2.5mn of per annum average salary cost our employee bill comes to INR7.25bn to begin with and another INR2.5bn in other opex. Key driver of the needle here and an opaque vector for that matter will be technology costs. Cost income in the case of adoption of differentiated technology can see a substantial jump. Currently we are assigning an annual expense of INR0.5bn on technology to begin with.

Table 6: Employee per branch to be high to begin with as seen with Yes Bank

| Operating metrics | FY16E | FY17E | FY18E | FY19E | FY20E |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| No. of branches | 40 | 75 | 100 | 150 | 225 |
| No. of employees/branch | 55 | 45 | 40 | 35 | 25 |
| Total no. of employees | 2,200 | 3,375 | 4,000 | 5,250 | 5,625 |
| Cost to Income ratio (%) | 32.0 | 28.0 | 27.0 | 25.5 | 22.7 |

Source: Company, Edelweiss research

Provisions: Burden low as NPA will be fully provided for before transfer

We anticipate the burden of provisions to be much lower on IDFC Bank as the problem assets, largely the gas portfolio will be fully provided for before being transferred. Given the past track record of minimal NPA in an otherwise difficult business, we expect incremental stress asset formation to be slow helped further by cautious build up of the book.

Networth allocation: Bank likely to start with INR130bn of capital

The current networth of IDFC Ltd. stands at INR150bn as on FY14. By H1FY16E when the banking entity will take shape we expect this networth to grow to INR186bn. This is including the INR8.5-10bn fund infusion by IDFC which is in talks currently to trim the foreign shareholding to the regulator mandated 49%. As per the management the banking entity is likely to start with a capital of INR130bn. Another INR20bn and INR12bn will be earmarked for utilisation in the IDF and for other businesses like private equity, capital market and mutual fund. The rest of the ~INR24bn can be kept under the contingency reserve. We also note that surplus capital will fetch better valuations if parked in the bank.

Tier 1 to begin with will stand at a healthy 20%. However, there are a few distinctive features that will lead to the consumption of the Tier 1 faster than that of other banks. The composition of loans within the balance sheet will be at a higher 85% than the regular 60% for tha banks since a large part of the infra book will not entail parallel SLR built up. We are building in 75% risk weight for ineligible infra (given short tern funding), 115% for eligible infra (to build in for the off book activity as well) and 100% for the other asset classes.

Table 7: Tier 1 consumption is faster given higher proportion of loans in BS

| Tier 1 | FY16E | FY17E | FY18E | FY19E | FY20E |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Calculation | TTTOL | 11176 | TTTOL | IIIJE | 11201 |
| Balance Sheet size (INRbn) | 629 | 908 | 1,159 | 1,400 | 1,688 |
| RWA (INRbn) | 553 | 819 | 1,055 | 1,286 | 1,551 |
| Tier 1 (%) | 23.5% | 16.5% | 14.0% | 12.6% | 11.6% |

Source: Company, Edelweiss research

Return ratios: High intrinsic profitability with RoA of 1.9%/RoE of 15%

With the recent guidelines coming to aid, the high RoA infra business can continue at healthy pace depending obviously on the opportunities available and improvement in the scenario on ground. This will cross subsidise the other businesses during their setup stage and help maintain the overall profitability. From the current 2.5% RoA of the standalone NBFC, by FY20E i.e. when the bank reaches stability the RoA will tread to 1.9%.

Since the bank will be starting with a Tier 1 of 20% it will be well capitalised. However, gradual build up of the loan book may keep the leverage low and understandably so for the first few years of operation. On a steady state basis the RoE will clock 15%-16% by FY20E.

16.0 2.1 13.0 2.0 10.0 2.0 8 8 7.0 1.9 4.0 1.8 1.8 1.0 FY17E FY18E FY19E FY20E RoE RoA (RHS)

Chart 3: RoA to stabilize at 1.9% by FY20E when we expect stability to set in

Source: Company, Edelweiss research

Blue sky scenario: All of the eligible infra asset is exempt to begin with

In our base case scenario we assume that of the current eligible infra book for regulatory forbearance the benefit will accrue as per the amortisation schedule given by RBI subject to the total amount of bonds outstanding against it. However, as per IDFC the same pool of eligible loans when transferred to IDFC Bank should be considered as fresh loans and hence the entire eligible book should be exempt from PSL/CRR/SLR requirements. This is line with the guidelines for the existing banks whereby eligible infra loan buyout is fully exempt from the triple requirements, though post the RBI's permission for the same .

If this propostion were to be accepted by the RBI and all of the INR345bn is exempt from regulatory forbearance the return ratios will see another round of jump as the flat to negative spread business of PSL/CRR/SLR will be reduced. RoAs in the steady state scenario under this case can be 2%. RoEs can also touch 17% levels with the help of a little higher loan growth of 32% CAGR over FY16-FY20E vis-à-vis 29% in our base case scenario as the growth compulsion via PSL eases.

Table 8: Comparison between the base case and the blue sky scenario

| | Base Cas | se | Blue Sky Case | | |
|-------------------|----------|-------|---------------|-------|--|
| Metrics | FY19E | FY20E | FY19E | FY20E | |
| Loans (INRbn) | 1,206 | 1,460 | 1,329 | 1,618 | |
| PAT (INRbn) | 22.9 | 28.7 | 27.1 | 33.3 | |
| NIMs (%) | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.0 | |
| RoA (%) | 1.8 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.0 | |
| Equity/Assets (x) | 13.4 | 12.4 | 13.1 | 11.8 | |
| ROAE (%) | 13.4 | 15.0 | 15.3 | 16.6 | |

Source: Edelweiss research

Chart 4: RoA jumps from 1.9% to 2% in blue sky scenario taking RoE to 17% 2.8 17.0 13.8 2.5 10.6 2.3 8 7.4 2.0 4.2 1.8 1.0 1.5 FY19E FY20E FY17E FY18E RoE base case RoE bull case RoA base case (RHS) —— RoA bull case (RHS)

SOTP: Value from the NOFHC and from direct ownership of the bank

IDFC Ltd in its new avatar will be a NOFHC holding 50% of the bank along with the other existing businesses i.e. asset management, private equity, investment banking and broking and the proposed IDF in the subsidiary format.

For the banking business we anticipate a 30% plus CAGR taking the loan book to INR1.46th by FY20E. This will come with steady state NIMs of 3% which coupled with $^{\sim}1\%$ of fee income will enable clocking of 1.9% RoA and 15% RoE by FY20E. From FY17E, PAT is expected to clock 22% CAGR till FY20E.

We value individual business for FY20E (the year by which we expect steady state metrics to come in) and discount it back to FY16E. The valuation methodolgy for various businesses have been mentioned in Table 9 footnotes. For the purpose of discounting we are using a rate of 14.5% which is based on a 10% higher beta (from the historical 1.5) to factor in execution risk during the transition phase.

Post the formation of the bank in October 2015, the current IDFC shareholder will hold two listed entities. One is the current IDFC ltd which will house 50% of the bank along with other subsidiaries and second is the direct 50% ownership in the bank. While the businesses under the NOFHC, i.e. under the IDFC structure will be subject to 15% holding company discount, full valuation will be realised for the direct ownership of the bank. The bank's high intrinsic profitability of 1.9% RoA warrants P/ABV of 1.7x, (15% discount to the established banks with a similar return profile) in a base case scenario and P/ABV of 1.8x (10% discount) for 2% RoA in blue sky case. Metamorphosis from a monoline NBFC to a universal bank and with the backing of an able management team makes us further confident on the execution of this new venture. We are upgrading our recommendation for IDFC Ltd. from 'Hold/SP' to 'Buy/SO' and assign a target price of INR181 per share.

Table 8: SOTP: Assigning a 50% probability to base and blue sky scenario we arrive at a fair value of INR181/share

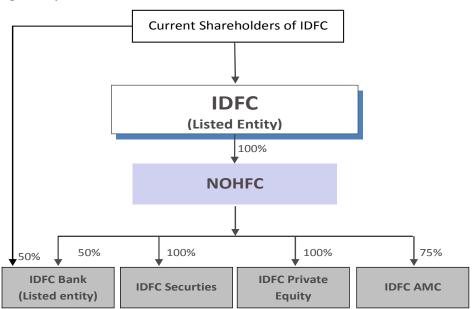
| (INR bn) | | | _ | | Base case | | | Bull case | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|-------|-----------------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------|-----------|
| IDFC Shareholder | Current (FY14) | H1FY16E | Ownership (%) | FY20E | Valuation Multiple | Valuation | FY20E | Valuation Multiple | Valuation |
| Ownership via NOFHC | | | | | | | | | |
| Networth allocation | 150 | 186 | | | | | | | |
| -Bank - 50% | | 65 | 50 | 101 | 1.7 | 172 | 107 | 1.8 | 193 |
| -IDF | | 20 | 100 | 28 | 1.3 | 35 | 28 | 1.3 | 35 |
| -IB, Broking and MF | | 12 | | 13 | | 68 | 13 | | 68 |
| Alternatives | AUM | | 100 | 290 | 10% | 29 | 290 | 10% | 29 |
| Asset Management | AUM | | 74 | 963 | 4% | 29 | 963 | 4% | 29 |
| IB, Securities | PAT | | 100 | 1 | 12.0 | 10 | 1 | 12.0 | 10 |
| -Contingency funds | | 24 | 100 | 34 | 1.0 | 34 | 34 | 1.0 | 34 |
| NSE investment value | | | 6 | 120 | | 7 | 120 | | 7 |
| Total | | | | | | 314 | | | 335 |
| Holding company discount | | | | | 15% | 267 | | 15% | 285 |
| No. of shares (bn) | | | | | | 1.6 | | | 1.6 |
| Value per share (A) | | | | | | 170 | | | 181 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Direct ownership | | | | | | | | | |
| Bank - 50% | | 65 | 50 | | 1.7 | 172 | | 1.8 | 193 |
| No. of shares | | | | | | 1.6 | | | 1.6 |
| Value per share (B) | | | | | | 109 | | | 122 |
| Combined value by FY20E (A+B) | | | | | | 279 | | | 304 |
| Discount rate (Higher beta built | in to facto | r in evecut | ion risk) | | | 14.5% | | | 14.5% |
| Combined value by FY16E | to racto | THEACCU | .101111311 | | | 173 | | | 189 |
| Probability (%) | | | | | | 50 | | | 50 |
| Fair value for IDFC Ltd. FY16E | | | | | | 30 | | | 181 |

Note: Valuation methodology-Bank on price to book value basis, Alternatives and Asset management are valued as a percentage of the AUMs and price to earnings multiple is used for the IB and securities business.

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Fig. 1: Proposed structure



Source: Edelweiss research

Company Description

IDFC was established in 1997 as a private sector enterprise by a consortium of public and private investors to provide infrastructure financing. It was mainly started as a government initiative, but the structure of ownership changed in 2005-06 with its IPO.

In its current format it generates its income from core lending, as well has built a steady source of fee income business from its principal investments, asset management as well broking and investment.

Investment Theme

IDFC Ltd. currently generates its business in four business segments

In the lending business, it has a balance sheet size in excess of INR700bn and has been growing its balance sheet in excess of 40% CAGR till FY08 before slowing down in FY09 and thereafter. Of its loan book, energy, transportation, and telecom sectors constitute ~85% of the outstanding.

It has sponsored IDFC Private Equity that manages three funds - India Development Fund and IDFC Private Equity Fund 2 and IDFC Private Equity Fund 3. It generates fee income for managing the assets and also participates on upsides over the respective hurdle rates.

It has 100% stake in IDFC-SSKI where it houses the investment banking and institutional broking business.

IDFC is one of the chosen ones to make the cut for banking license. We are subscribers to the evolution model laid out for IDFC's metamorphosis from monoline NBFC to a universal bank. Top management's ability to shape this venture is undisputable given its previous track record. This coupled with bank's high intrinsic profitability of 1.9% RoA warrants P/ABV of 1.7x, (15% discount to the established banks with a similar return profile) and P/ABV of 1.8x (10% discount) for 2% RoA in blue sky scenario case.

Key Risks

Other than the execution risk that is there with respect to the bank under formation, there are risks of margin compression, as the infrastructure financing space is keenly contested. Currently, being an NBFC, IDFC is dependent on wholesale funding. Hence, high interest rates will remain a risk. CASA built up will also be gradual and hence this risk can't be ruled out for the near term.

Large ticket lending makes IDFC's current loan book riskier than other banks. NPA occurrence, due to large ticket size, can dent its future earnings.

Manpower and the management team will be a key building block for the bank and hence any adverse changes here can impact the efficient roll out of the banking operations.

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Financial Statements (Proposed IDFC Bank)

| Key assumptions | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | H2FY16E | FY17E | FY18E | FY19E | FY20E |
| Operating metric assump. (%) | | | | | |
| Yield on advances | NA | 11.8 | 11.4 | 11.3 | 11.3 |
| Yield on investments | NA | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| Yield on assets | NA | 11.0 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.7 |
| Net interest margins | NA | 3.6 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| Cost of funds | NA | 9.0 | 8.9 | 8.8 | 8.8 |
| Cost of deposits | NA | 8.9 | 8.7 | 8.6 | 8.4 |
| Cost of borrowings | NA | 9.0 | 9.0 | 9.0 | 9.0 |
| Spread | NA | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.9 |
| Taxrate | NA | 33.5 | 33.5 | 33.5 | 33.5 |
| Balance sheet assumption (% |) | | | | |
| Credit growth | NA | 45.2 | 29.3 | 22.1 | 21.1 |
| Deposit growth | NA | 0.0 | 60.3 | 31.6 | 32.9 |
| SLR ratio | 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.0 |
| Taxrate | 33.5 | 33.5 | 33.5 | 33.5 | 33.5 |
| Low-cost deposits | NA | 6.0 | 9.0 | 12.0 | 15.0 |
| Gross NPA ratio | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| Net NPA ratio | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Provision coverage | 100.0 | 84.3 | 79.8 | 77.5 | 76.8 |
| Incremental slippage | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Net NPA / Equity | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 2.0 |
| Capital adequacy | 25.5 | 18.5 | 16.0 | 14.6 | 13.6 |

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| Income statement | | | | | (INR mn) |
|------------------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|----------|
| Year to March | H2FY16E | FY17E | FY18E | FY19E | FY20E |
| Interest income | 35,203 | 83,777 | 109,868 | 136,024 | 164,174 |
| Interest expenses | 22,275 | 56,291 | 78,314 | 98,053 | 118,620 |
| Net interest income | 12,928 | 27,485 | 31,554 | 37,971 | 45,554 |
| Non interest income | 2,730 | 7,418 | 10,444 | 13,474 | 16,887 |
| - Fee & forex income | 2,630 | 7,268 | 10,194 | 12,974 | 16,387 |
| - Misc. income | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| - Investment profits | 100 | 150 | 250 | 500 | 500 |
| Net revenues | 15,658 | 34,904 | 41,998 | 51,444 | 62,441 |
| Operating expense | 5,010 | 9,777 | 11,325 | 13,109 | 14,158 |
| - Employee exp | 2,750 | 7,250 | 8,500 | 9,950 | 10,625 |
| - Other opex | 2,260 | 2,527 | 2,825 | 3,159 | 3,533 |
| Preprovision profit | 10,648 | 25,127 | 30,673 | 38,335 | 48,283 |
| Provisions | 1,073 | 1,454 | 2,935 | 3,864 | 5,167 |
| - Loan loss provisions | 573 | 954 | 2,435 | 3,364 | 4,667 |
| - Other provisions | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 | 500 |
| PBT | 9,575 | 23,673 | 27,737 | 34,472 | 43,116 |
| Taxes | 3,208 | 7,931 | 9,293 | 11,549 | 14,445 |
| PAT | 6,367 | 15,742 | 18,445 | 22,923 | 28,672 |
| Diluted EPS | 2.0 | 5.0 | 5.8 | 7.2 | 9.0 |
| DPS | 0.4 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.8 |
| Payout ratio (%) | 22.0 | 22.0 | 22.0 | 22.0 | 22.0 |

| Growth ratios (%) | | | | | |
|-------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Year to March | H2FY16E | FY17E | FY18E | FY19E | FY20E |
| NII growth | NA | 112.6 | 14.8 | 20.3 | 20.0 |
| Fees growth | NA | 176.4 | 40.2 | 27.3 | 26.3 |
| Opexgrowth | NA | 95.1 | 15.8 | 15.8 | 8.0 |
| PPOP growth | NA | 136.8 | 21.8 | 24.4 | 26.3 |
| PPP growth | NA | 136.0 | 22.1 | 25.0 | 25.9 |
| Provisions growth | NA | 66.6 | 155.3 | 38.1 | 38.7 |
| PATgrowth | NA | 147.2 | 17.2 | 24.3 | 25.1 |

| Operating ratios (%) | | | | | |
|----------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Year to March | H2FY16E | FY17E | FY18E | FY19E | FY20E |
| Yield on advances | 12.3 | 11.8 | 11.4 | 11.3 | 11.3 |
| Yield on investments | 7.9 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| Yield on assets | 11.4 | 11.0 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.7 |
| Net interest margins | 4.2 | 3.6 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| Cost of funds | 9.1 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 8.8 | 8.8 |
| Cost of deposits | NA | 8.9 | 8.7 | 8.6 | 8.4 |
| Cost of borrowings | 9.0 | 9.0 | 9.0 | 9.0 | 9.0 |
| Spread | 2.3 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.9 |
| Cost-income | 32.0 | 28.0 | 27.0 | 25.5 | 22.7 |
| Taxrate | 33.5 | 33.5 | 33.5 | 33.5 | 33.5 |
| | | | | | |

56.0

62.8

| Balance sheet | | | | | (INR mn) |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| As on 31st March | H2FY16E | FY17E | FY18E | FY19E | FY20E |
| Liabilities | | | | | |
| Equity capital | 31,705 | 31,705 | 31,705 | 31,705 | 31,705 |
| Reserves | 103,308 | 115,581 | 129,960 | 147,831 | 170,184 |
| Net worth | 135,014 | 147,286 | 161,665 | 179,536 | 201,889 |
| Sub bonds/prefcap | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Deposits | 0 | 219,812 | 352,307 | 463,693 | 616,372 |
| Borrowings | 493,976 | 540,618 | 645,508 | 756,613 | 870,104 |
| Other liabilities | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 628,990 | 907,716 | 1,159,480 | 1,399,842 | 1,688,365 |
| Assets | 493,976 | 760,430 | 997,815 | 1,220,306 | 1,486,476 |
| Loans | 525,960 | 763,921 | 987,952 | 1,220,306 | 1,460,308 |
| Investments | | | | | |
| Gilts | 81,306 | 114,628 | 137,167 | 154,988 | 183,122 |
| Others | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cash & equi | 16,939 | 23,881 | 28,576 | 32,289 | 38,150 |
| Fixed assets | 4,785 | 5,285 | 5,785 | 6,285 | 6,785 |
| Otherassets | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 628,990 | 907,716 | 1,159,480 | 1,399,842 | 1,688,365 |
| Balance sheet ratios (9 | 6) | | | | |
| Credit growth | NA | 45.2 | 29.3 | 22.1 | 21.1 |
| Deposit growth | NA | 0.0 | 60.3 | 31.6 | 32.9 |
| EA growth | NA | 44.6 | 27.8 | 20.8 | 20.7 |
| SLR ratio | 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.0 |
| C-D ratio | NA | 347.5 | 280.4 | 260.1 | 236.9 |
| Low-cost deposits | NA | 6.0 | 9.0 | 12.0 | 15.0 |
| Gross NPA ratio | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| Net NPA ratio | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Provision coverage | 100.0 | 84.3 | 79.8 | 77.5 | 76.8 |
| Incremental slippage | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Net NPA / Equity | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 2.0 |
| Capital adequacy | 25.5 | 18.5 | 16.0 | 14.6 | 13.6 |
| -Tier 1 | 23.5 | 16.5 | 14.0 | 12.6 | 11.6 |
| Book value | 42.6 | 46.5 | 51.0 | 56.6 | 63.7 |

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| ROA decomposition (%) |) | | | | |
|-------------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Year to March | H2FY16E | FY17E | FY18E | FY19E | FY20E |
| Net interest inc./Asset | 4.2 | 3.6 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| Fees/Assets | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Invest. profits/Assets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Net revenues/Assets | 5.0 | 4.6 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 4.1 |
| Operating exp./Assets | (1.6) | (1.3) | (1.1) | (1.0) | (0.9) |
| Provisions/Assets | (0.3) | (0.2) | (0.3) | (0.3) | (0.3) |
| Taxes/Assets | (1.0) | (1.0) | (0.9) | (0.9) | (0.9) |
| Total costs/Assets | (3.0) | (2.5) | (2.3) | (2.2) | (2.2) |
| ROA | 2.1 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.9 |
| Equity/Assets | 21.4 | 18.5 | 15.0 | 13.4 | 12.4 |
| ROAE | 9.6 | 11.2 | 11.9 | 13.4 | 15.0 |

Per share metrics Year to March H2FY16E FY17E FY18E FY19E FY20E Diluted EPS (INR) 5.0 5.8 7.2 2.0 9.0 EPS growth (%) NA 147.2 17.2 24.3 25.1 BV per share (INR) 42.6 46.5 51.0 56.6 63.7

46.5

50.6

42.6

Valuation metrics (IDFC Ltd.) Year to March H2FY16E FY17E FY18E FY19E FY20E BV/share (INR) 122.2 130.3 139.7 151.5 166.2 EPS/share (INR) 11.3 10.1 11.8 14.7 18.4 P/BV(x) 1.2 1.1 1.0 1.0 0.9 P/E (x) 12.8 14.4 12.3 9.9 7.9

Peer comparison valuation

| | Market cap | Diluted | PE (X) | Price/E | 3V (X) | ROA | E (%) |
|---------------------|------------|---------|--------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Name | (USD mn) | FY15E | FY16E | FY15E | FY16E | FY15E | FY16E |
| IDFC Ltd | 3,609 | 11.0 | 10.0 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 12.7 | 12.8 |
| Axis Bank | 16,127 | 13.1 | 10.7 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 18.1 | 18.9 |
| Federal Bank | 1,741 | 10.2 | 8.2 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 14.2 | 15.6 |
| HDFC Bank | 33,973 | 20.0 | 16.1 | 4.1 | 3.4 | 21.6 | 22.4 |
| ICICI Bank | 29,823 | 15.9 | 13.7 | 2.2 | 2.0 | 14.7 | 15.4 |
| IndusInd Bank | 5,483 | 18.6 | 14.7 | 3.2 | 2.7 | 18.3 | 19.7 |
| ING Vysya | 1,971 | 15.4 | 12.0 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 10.6 | 12.4 |
| Kotak Mahindra Bank | 13,479 | 30.7 | 25.5 | 4.5 | 3.7 | 14.2 | 14.9 |
| Yes Bank | 4,234 | 13.2 | 10.8 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 20.8 | 18.8 |
| Median | | 13.2 | 11.1 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 14.2 | 15.4 |
| AVERAGE | | 15.1 | 12.5 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 15.7 | 16.3 |

Source: Edelweiss research

Edelweiss Securities Limit

Adj. BV/share (INR)

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Additional Data

Directors Data

| S S Kohli | Nominee (Govt) | Donald Peck | Director |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| S H Khan | Director | Gautam Kaji | Director |
| Shardul Shroff | Director | Omkar Goswami | Director |
| Marianne Okland | Independent Non Exe. Director | Rajiv B. Lall | Executive Chairman |
| Snehlata Shrivastava | Director | Joseph Dominic Silva | Director |
| Vikram Limaye | Managing Director & CEO | | |

Auditors - Deloitte Haskins & Sells

*as per last annual report

Holding - Top10

| | Perc. Holding | | Perc. Holding |
|----------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| Sipadan Invsts Mauritius | 9.96 | First State Investments Icvc | 6.01 |
| Life Insurance Corp Of India | 4.20 | JF Asset Management Ltd | 3.70 |
| Royal Bank Of Scotland Group Plc | 2.90 | Actis Hawk Ltd | 2.44 |
| Abu Dhabi Investment Authority | 2.40 | Orbis Sicav Asia Ex Jpn Fd | 2.12 |
| Platinum Investment Management L | 1.70 | JP Morgan Chase & Co | 1.53 |

*as per last available data

Bulk Deals

| Dank Deals | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----|------------|-------|--|
| Data | Acquired / Seller | B/S | Qty Traded | Price | |
| | | | | | |
| No Data Available | | | | | |

*in last one year

Insider Trades

| Reporting Data | Acquired / Seller | B/S | Qty Traded |
|----------------|---|------|------------|
| 25 Aug 2014 | Mr. Mahendra N Shah | Sell | 120000.00 |
| 06 Aug 2014 | Dr. Rajiv B. Lall | Sell | 1150000.00 |
| 06 Aug 2014 | Mr Mahendra N Shah | Sell | 230041.00 |
| 28 Jan 2014 | First State Investment Management (UK) Limited & First State Investment International Limited | Buy | 9912556.00 |

*in last one year

| Company | Absolute | Relative | Relative | Company | Absolute | Relative | Relative |
|--|----------|----------|----------|-----------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| | reco | reco | risk | | reco | reco | Risk |
| Allahabad Bank | BUY | SP | М | Axis Bank | BUY | SO | М |
| Bajaj Finserv | BUY | SO | L | Bank of Baroda | BUY | SO | М |
| Development Credit Bank | BUY | SO | M | Federal Bank | BUY | SO | L |
| HDFC | HOLD | SP | L | HDFC Bank | BUY | SO | L |
| ICICI Bank | BUY | SO | L | IndusInd Bank | BUY | SO | L |
| IDFC | BUY | SO | L | ING Vysya | BUY | SO | L |
| Karnataka Bank | BUY | SP | M | Kotak Mahindra Bank | HOLD | SP | М |
| LIC Housing Finance | BUY | SO | М | Magma Fincorp | BUY | SO | М |
| Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services | HOLD | SP | М | Manappuram General Finance | BUY | SP | Н |
| Max India | BUY | SO | L | Multi Commodity Exchange of India | UNDER REVIEW | None | None |
| Muthoot Finance | BUY | SO | М | Oriental Bank Of Commerce | BUY | SP | L |
| Power Finance Corp | BUY | SO | М | Punjab National Bank | HOLD | SP | М |
| Reliance Capital | BUY | SP | М | Repco Home Finance | BUY | SO | М |
| Rural Electrification Corporation | BUY | SO | M | Shriram City Union Finance | BUY | SP | М |
| Shriram Tansport Finance | BUY | SO | L | South Indian Bank | BUY | SP | М |
| State Bank of India | BUY | SO | L | Union Bank Of India | BUY | SP | М |
| Yes Bank | BUY | SO | М | | | | |

| ABSOLUTE RATING | |
|-----------------|--|
| Ratings | Expected absolute returns over 12 months |
| Buy | More than 15% |
| Hold | Between 15% and - 5% |
| Reduce | Less than -5% |

| RELATIVE RETURNS RATING | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Ratings | Criteria | |
| Sector Outperformer (SO) | Stock return > 1.25 x Sector return | |
| Sector Performer (SP) | Stock return > 0.75 x Sector return | |
| | Stock return < 1.25 x Sector return | |
| Sector Underperformer (SU) | Stock return < 0.75 x Sector return | |

Sector return is market cap weighted average return for the coverage universe within the sector $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right)$

| RELATIVE RISK RATING | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Ratings | Criteria | |
| Low (L) | Bottom 1/3rd percentile in the sector | |
| Medium (M) | Middle 1/3rd percentile in the sector | |
| High (H) | Top 1/3rd percentile in the sector | |

Risk ratings are based on Edelweiss risk model

| SECTOR RATING | | |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Ratings | Criteria | |
| Overweight (OW) | Sector return > 1.25 x Nifty return | |
| Equalweight (EW) | Sector return > 0.75 x Nifty return | |
| | Sector return < 1.25 x Nifty return | |
| Underweight (UW) | Sector return < 0.75 x Nifty return | |

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Recent Research

| Date | Company | Title | Price (INR) | Recos |
|-----------|---------|---|-------------|-------|
| 04-Sep-14 | BFSI | Banks' infra bonds being raised at competitive rate EdelFlash | 25; | |
| 02-Sep-14 | Banking | RBI's relief on non-equity capital raising: PSBs to be Sector Update | | |
| 26-Aug-14 | BFSI | SBI cuts home loan rates; competition intensifies; Sector Update | | |

Distribution of Ratings / Market Cap

Edelweiss Research Coverage Universe

| | | Buy | Hold | Reduce | Total |
|---|--------|-----|-------------|----------|--------|
| Rating Distribution * 1 stocks under re | | 151 | 44 | 9 | 205 |
| | > 50bn | Bet | ween 10bn a | nd 50 bn | < 10bn |
| Market Cap (INR) | 144 | | 56 | | 5 |

Rating Interpretation

| Rating | Expected to |
|--------|---|
| Buy | appreciate more than 15% over a 12-month period |
| Hold | appreciate up to 15% over a 12-month period |
| Reduce | depreciate more than 5% over a 12-month period |

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