

ICICI Bank Ltd.

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Price: 1,329

Recommendation: Buy

Industry: Private Sector Bank **Sector:** Financial Services

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ICICI Bank is focused on risk-calibrated profitable growth with a 360-degree customer-centric approach. It aims to enhance its franchise through high governance standards, market coverage, and delivery capabilities. Key initiatives include DigiEase for business banking and iLens for retail credit integration. The bank maintains a strong capital position and emphasizes technology investments, operational resilience, and balanced growth with asset quality.

Sales		Profit & Loss		Profitability Matrix	
Current Year	158781 Cr	Operating Profit(Year)	112985 Cr	Operating Profit Margin	71.2 %
Previous Year	109231 Cr	Operating Profit(Quarter)	29521 Cr	EBITDA Margin	78.55 %
Current Quarter	41300 Cr	PAT (Year)	40878 Cr	Net Profit Margin	28.6 %
Previous Quarter	40537 Cr	PAT (Quarter)	11792 Cr	EPS	64.3
Revenue (QYoY)	36695 Cr				
Valuation Matrix		Growth(YoY)		Growth(QoQ)	
Trailing P/E	20.7	Sales Growth	16.8 %	Sales Growth	1.88 %
PEG Ratio	0.32	PAT Growth	28.32 %	Sales Growth QYoY	12.55 %
EV/EBITDA	18.5	EPS Growth	10.48 %	PAT Growth	0.39 %
P/B	3.48	Dividend Yield	0.75	PAT Growth QYoY	14.8 %
Capital Allocation		Holdings		Leverage	
RoE	18.6 %	Promoter	0.00 %	Debt/Equity	6.11
RoA	2.37 %	FII	45.7 %	Debt	1648041 Cr
RoCE	7.51 %	DII	45.0 %	Market Cap	938920 Cr
RoIC	7.51 %	Public	9.08 %	Enterprise value	2586960 Cr
		No of Shares	707 Cr	Cash Equivalents	0.00 Cr

source : Company filings

Company's Overview Based on Recent Concall and Performance:

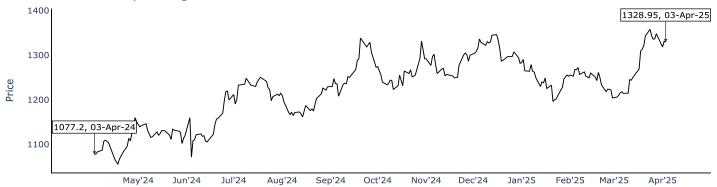
The recent conference call highlighted ICICI Bank's strategic focus on risk-calibrated profitable growth, emphasizing a 360-degree customer-centric approach. The bank aims to enhance its franchise by maintaining high governance standards, deepening market coverage, and improving delivery capabilities. A key initiative is the introduction of DigiEase, a digital platform to streamline business banking customer onboarding, enhancing operational efficiency and customer experience. The iLens platform is also being upgraded to integrate retail credit cards, mortgages, personal loans, and education loans, reflecting the bank's commitment to leveraging technology for customer solutions. The bank's strategic framework is designed to strengthen its franchise and deliver consistent returns to shareholders.

ICICI Bank's business strategies include a strong emphasis on maintaining a robust balance sheet with prudent provisioning and healthy capital levels. The bank's capital position remains strong, with a CET-1 ratio of 15.93% and a total capital adequacy ratio of 16.60%. The bank continues to focus on delivering holistic solutions to customers, aiming to grow its market share across key segments. The bank's loan portfolio showed significant growth, with the domestic loan portfolio increasing by 15.1% year-on-year. The retail loan portfolio grew by 10.5%, while the business banking portfolio saw a remarkable 31.9% growth. The bank's approach to growth is balanced with a focus on asset quality, ensuring stable credit costs and minimal slippages.

The bank's diversification schemes are evident in its focus on various segments, including retail, rural, and business banking. The retail portfolio constitutes 43.9% of the total portfolio, while the rural portfolio grew by 12.2% year-on-year. The bank's international branches portfolio also contributed to the overall loan growth. The bank's fee income increased by 16.3% year-on-year, with a significant contribution from retail, rural, and business banking customers. The bank's operating expenses increased by 5.0% year-on-year, reflecting investments in technology and branch expansion. The bank's focus on technology is further highlighted by its investments in computing infrastructure and digital channel upgrades to enhance system resilience and customer experience.

Looking ahead, ICICI Bank sees numerous opportunities for growth, driven by its strategic focus on customer-centric solutions and technology investments. The bank aims to continue its investments in technology, people, distribution, and brand building. The bank's emphasis on operational resilience and seamless service delivery positions it well for future growth. The bank's approach to balancing growth with asset quality is commendable, ensuring stable credit costs and minimal slippages. However, there is room for improvement in managing operating expenses and further enhancing digital adoption among customers. The bank's focus on maintaining a strong balance sheet and delivering consistent returns to shareholders remains a key priority.





Name	Mar Cap (Rs. Cr.)	P/E	ROE	Sales(G) QoQ	Sales(G) QYoY	PAT(G) QoQ	PAT(G) QYoY
ICICI Bank	938919.67	20.72	18.62%	1.88%	12.55%	0.40%	14.81%
IDBI Bank	86729.50	12.03	11.77%	5.03%	19.40%	4.69%	29.14%
Yes Bank	56280.64	25.94	3.11%	1.24%	12.08%	9.32%	155.32%
IndusInd Bank	55270.06	7.65	15.25%	0.90%	10.62%	5.72%	-39.02%
Kotak Mah. Bank	424246.93	21.58	15.06%	1.26%	14.75%	-6.80%	10.23%

Aspect	Commentary
Revenue	The company shows a robust revenue increase, with a significant year-over-year growth, indicating strong market demand and effective sales strategies. The quarter-over-quarter growth is modest, suggesting stable performance. This consistent revenue growth reflects the company's ability to maintain its competitive position and expand its market share.
Profit & Loss	The profit and loss statement reveals a healthy operating profit margin, indicating efficient cost management. The net profit margin is strong, reflecting effective revenue conversion into profit. The year-over-year growth in profit after tax suggests improved operational efficiency and cost control, contributing to overall financial health.
Profitability Matrix	The profitability matrix highlights a high operating profit margin, showcasing the company's ability to manage expenses relative to revenue. The EBITDA margin is impressive, indicating strong earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization. The net profit margin further underscores the company's profitability and financial stability.
Valuation Matrix	The valuation matrix shows a moderate trailing P/E ratio, suggesting the stock is reasonably priced relative to earnings. The PEG ratio indicates potential undervaluation given the growth rate. The EV/EBITDA ratio is within a healthy range, reflecting the company's enterprise value relative to earnings. The P/B ratio suggests a fair market valuation.
Growth (YoY)	Year-over-year growth metrics indicate strong sales and profit growth, reflecting successful business strategies and market expansion. The EPS growth is positive, suggesting increased earnings per share. The dividend yield, though modest, indicates a commitment to returning value to shareholders. Overall, the company demonstrates robust growth potential.
Growth (QoQ)	Quarter-over-quarter growth metrics show steady sales growth, indicating consistent market demand. The profit after tax growth is modest, suggesting stable financial performance. The sales growth QYoY is strong, reflecting effective business strategies. Overall, the company maintains a stable growth trajectory with potential for future expansion.
Capital Allocation	The capital allocation metrics reveal a strong return on equity, indicating efficient use of shareholder funds. The return on assets and capital employed are moderate, suggesting effective asset utilization. The return on invested capital is consistent, reflecting prudent investment strategies. Overall, the company demonstrates sound capital management.
Holdings	The holdings structure shows no promoter holding, with significant foreign and domestic institutional investor presence, indicating strong institutional confidence. The public holding is modest, suggesting limited retail investor participation. The number of shares indicates a large equity base, reflecting the company's substantial market presence. The leverage metrics indicate a high debt-to-equity ratio, suggesting significant reliance on debt
Leverage	The leverage metrics indicate a high debt-to-equity ratio, suggesting significant reliance on debt financing. The total debt is substantial, reflecting the company's capital structure. The market cap and enterprise value are robust, indicating strong market valuation. The absence of cash equivalents suggests limited liquidity reserves, warranting careful financial management.

Analyst viewpoint: ICICI Bank demonstrates a robust strategic framework, emphasizing a strong customer-centric approach, and its consistent growth in key financial metrics positions it as a compelling buy for short to mid-term investors. With a year-over-year sales growth of 12.55% and profit after tax increasing by 14.8%, the bank clearly maintains a strong market position and effective financial strategies. Its focus on digital transformation, notably through the DigiEase and iLens platforms, underscores the bank's commitment to leveraging technology for enhanced operational efficiency and customer satisfaction. Furthermore, ICICI Bank's valuation metrics, such as a trailing P/E of 20.7 and a PEG ratio of 0.32, suggest favorable pricing relative to growth prospects, thereby solidifying its investment appeal when compared to peers like Yes Bank and Kotak Mahindra Bank.

The company also displays strong capital management through efficient asset utilization and sound capital allocation strategies, evidenced by a return on equity of 18.6% and continuous investment in technological improvements. A balanced approach to growth while maintaining asset quality and minimal slippages marks ICICI's financial prudence. While there is a slight need for improvement in managing operating expenses and enhancing digital adoption, its strategic initiatives and high governance standards ensure stable returns. Overall, ICICI Bank remains a significant player in India's financial sector, offering solid growth potential with consistent shareholder value returns.

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