

HDFC Bank

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12M hi/lo Rs1,728.65/1,463.50

12M price target Rs2,025.00 ±% potential +32% 7,592.5m Shares in issue Free float (est.) 84.7%

Market cap US\$140.4bn 3M ADV US\$302.2m

Foreign s'holding 72.3%

Major shareholders HDFC Group 15.3%

Blended ESG Score (%)*

| Overall | 63.9 |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Country average | 59.4 |
| GEM sector average | 55.1 |
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12M

Stock performance (%)

| Absolute Relative | (7.2) (7.7) | na na | (4.5) (20.0) |
|----------------------|----------------|----------|-----------------|
| Abs (US\$) | (7.3) | na | (6.1) |
| 1,800] (Rs |) | (%) | Γ 150 |
| 1,660 - | | WW | 100 |
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Client feedback

Key debate on how to balance deposit growth and NIM

We interacted with over 20 clients since HDFC Bank's results on Tuesday. While most domestic clients were unhappy with the results, we felt that it was slightly different for the foreign investors, many of whom believe that we are near the end of the "EPS cuts" cycle. Key concerns were on deposits and NIM. On deposits, some clients believed that it was a macro problem and not intrinsic to HDFCB alone. We expect RBI to reduce the \$20bn liquidity deficit by a mix of FX purchases, possible 50bp CRR cut and OMOs. Note that Rs1 of durable liquidity injection tends to create Rs4.6 in deposits over 6-12 months.

What are clients saying?

Many domestic clients believe that EPS cuts are likely to continue as it would be nearly impossible for HDFCB to maintain 15-17% loan growth and also expand margins. This is because the ask rate on deposit accretion to deliver 15-17% loan growth is quite high (Rs4.5-5trn annually). Clients believe that the bank would need to play the deposit pricing game to garner such a high volume of deposits, thus shrinking its NIM. One client also argued that the impact of the increase in retail loans on NIMs will take longer-than-expected. Among the foreign investors, the ratio of "bears" to "bulls" seemed much lower than the domestic investors. Many of them believe that the worst is almost over, and we should see an improving trend across all important parameters. Moreover, some pointed out that the Street is missing out on the merger synergy benefits that are yet to play out.

Can RBI help with the deposit accretion problem?

On the concall, management attributed weaker deposit growth to an overall liquidity deficit in the banking system. The RBI has infused US\$17bn via FX intervention vs our estimate of US\$42bn; the balance is showing up as money market liquidity deficit. We believe that RBI would take a slew of measures to bring down the deficit - FX interventions, possible CRR cut and OMOs. We believe that FX intervention (US\$10bn in 4QFY24) is the easiest way for the RBI to bring down the liquidity deficit. This will also help it to recoup US\$22bn FYTD (including forwards) of FX reserves sold. In addition, a 50bp CRR cut, if done, would infuse US\$10bn of liquidity in the system. The last option is OMO, although we believe that this is unlikely as the GSec market may not be facing a very large deficit relative to the RBI OMO needed.

We are c.5% below consensus on FY25/26 EPS estimates

In our latest result note, we cut our EPS estimates by 3-5% driven by cuts in deposit and consequently loan growth. Our revised assumptions are 15% loan growth, 22% deposit growth and 20bp NIM improvement from exit-FY24 levels. However, when compared with consensus, we are c.5% lower on our FY25/26 estimates. Bulk of this divergence comes from lower operating profit.

| Financials | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Year to 31 March | 22A | 23A | 24CL | 25CL | 26CL |
| Net profit (Rsm) | 369,614 | 441,087 | 591,731 | 702,387 | 827,681 |
| EPS (Rs) | 66.7 | 79.1 | 77.9 | 92.5 | 109.0 |
| CL/consensus (35) (EPS%) | - | - | 95 | 94 | 95 |
| EPS growth (% YoY) | 18.1 | 18.6 | (1.4) | 18.7 | 17.8 |
| PE (x) | 23.1 | 19.4 | 19.7 | 16.6 | 14.1 |
| PB (x) | 3.5 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 2.1 |
| ROE (%) | 16.7 | 17.0 | 16.5 | 15.1 | 15.6 |











Financials at a glance

| Year to 31 March | 2022A | 2023A | 2024CL | (% YoY) | 2025CL | 2026CL |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
| Profit & Loss (Rsm) | | | | | | |
| Interest income | 1,277,531 | 1,615,856 | 2,605,583 | 61.3 | 3,265,806 | 3,772,564 |
| Interest expense | (557,435) | (747,433) | (1,511,209) | 01.0 | (1,909,137) | (2,165,838) |
| Net interest income | 720,096 | 868,422 | 1,094,373 | 26 | 1,356,669 | 1,606,726 |
| Trading income | 22,826 | (11,312) | 34,000 | | 39,100 | 43,010 |
| Fee income | 195,366 | 238,440 | 247,978 | 4 | 285,175 | 327,951 |
| Other operating income | 76,907 | 85,019 | 129,941 | 52.8 | 141,482 | 154,755 |
| Non-interest income | 295,099 | 312,148 | 411,919 | 32 | 465,757 | 525,716 |
| Total op income | 1,015,195 | 1,180,571 | 1,506,293 | 27.6 | 1,822,426 | 2,132,442 |
| Staff & related costs | (120,317) | (155,124) | (208,641) | | (246,197) | (283,126) |
| Other operating expenses | (254,105) | (321,397) | (411,389) | | (473,097) | (539,330) |
| Total operating expenses | (374,422) | (476,521) | (620,030) | | (719,293) | (822,457) |
| Preprovision OP | 640,773 | 704,050 | 886,263 | 25.9 | 1,103,133 | 1,309,985 |
| Loan-loss provisions | (150,618) | (119,197) | (137,237) | | (166,617) | (206,411) |
| Operating profit | 490,155 | 584,853 | 749,026 | 28.1 | 936,516 | 1,103,575 |
| Other income/expenses | - | 0 | - | | 0 | - |
| Profit before tax | 490,155 | 584,853 | 749,026 | 28.1 | 936,516 | 1,103,575 |
| Taxation | (120,541) | (143,766) | (157,295) | | (234,129) | (275,894) |
| Preference dividends | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 |
| Profit for period | 369,614 | 441,087 | 591,731 | 34.2 | 702,387 | 827,681 |
| Minority interest | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 |
| Net profit | 369,614 | 441,087 | 591,731 | 34.2 | 702,387 | 827,681 |
| Adjusted profit | 369,614 | 441,087 | 591,731 | 34.2 | 702,387 | 827,681 |
| Balance sheet (Rsm) | 2022A | 2023A | 2024CL | (% YoY) | 2025CL | 2026CL |
| Net Ioans | 13,688,209 | 16,005,859 | 25,641,386 | 60.2 | 29,487,594 | 33,910,733 |
| Cash & equivalents | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 |
| Placements with other banks | 223,313 | 766,043 | 306,052 | (60) | 287,218 | 350,406 |
| Other interest earning assets | 4,376,846 | 5,009,783 | 6,404,332 | 27.8 | 7,788,898 | 9,475,072 |
| Total interest earning assets | 18,288,368 | 21,781,685 | 32,351,769 | 48.5 | 37,563,709 | 43,736,211 |
| Net fixed assets | 60,837 | 80,166 | 107,422 | 34 | 118,164 | 129,980 |
| Intangible assets | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 |
| Other assets | 2,336,146 | 2,798,964 | 3,868,302 | 38.2 | 3,999,346 | 4,464,013 |
| Total non-interest earning assets | 2,396,983 | 2,879,130 | 3,975,724 | 38.1 | 4,117,510 | 4,593,993 |
| Total assets | 20,685,351 | 24,660,815 | 36,327,493 | 47.3 | 41,681,219 | 48,330,204 |
| Customer deposits | 15,592,174 | 18,833,946 | 23,542,433 | 25 | 28,721,768 | 35,040,557 |
| Deposits from banks | - | | | | - | |
| Other int-bearing liabs | 1,848,172 | 2,067,656 | 7,197,877 | 248.1 | 6,589,485 | 6,043,932 |
| Total int-bearing liabs | 17,440,346 | 20,901,602 | 30,740,310 | 47.1 | 35,311,253 | 41,084,489 |
| Other non-int-bearing liabs | 844,075 | 957,222 | 1,224,219 | 27.9 | 1,409,972 | 1,582,192 |
| Shareholder funds | 2,400,929 | 2,801,990 | 4,362,965 | 55.7 | 4,959,994 | 5,663,523 |
| Other equity capital | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 |
| Total liabs & equity | 20,685,351 | 24,660,815 | 36,327,493 | 47.3 | 41,681,219 | 48,330,204 |
| Total tier 1 capital | 2,422,785 | 2,713,146 | 4,274,121 | 57.5 | 4,871,150 | 5,574,679 |
| Total capital | 2,445,388 | 2,770,392 | 4,369,909 | 57.7 | 5,002,323 | 5,741,332 |
| Risk weighted assets | 13,535,110 | 15,866,350 | 24,099,043 | 51.9 | 28,484,238 | 33,994,646 |
| Average Risk weighted assets | - | - | - | | - | - |
| Ratio analysis | 2022A | 2023A | 2024CL | (% YoY) | 2025CL | 2026CL |
| Net int inc growth (%) | 11.0 | 20.6 | 26.0 | | 24.0 | 18.4 |
| Non-int inc growth (%) | 17.1 | 5.8 | 32.0 | | 13.1 | 12.9 |
| Operating inc growth (%) | 12.7 | 16.3 | 27.6 | | 21.0 | 17.0 |
| Net profit growth (%) | 18.8 | 19.3 | 34.2 | | 18.7 | 17.8 |
| Net interest margin (%) | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.0 | | 3.8 | 4.0 |
| Cost/income (%) | 36.9 | 40.4 | 41.2 | | 39.5 | 38.6 |
| Loans/deposits (%) | 88.5 | 85.7 | 110.1 | | 103.6 | 97.7 |
| Gross NPLs/total loans (%) | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.4 | | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Loan provisions/NPLs (%) | 72.7 | 75.8 | 74.9 | | 75.0 | 75.0 |
| ROA (%) | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | | 1.8 | 1.8 |
| ROE (%) | 16.7 | 17.0 | 16.5 | | 15.1 | 15.6 |
| Tier 1 CAR (%) | 17.9 | 17.1 | 17.7 | | 17.1 | 16.4 |
| [AD 1%] | 101 | 1/5 | 101 | | 1/6 | 160 |

CAR (%)

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Investment thesis

HDFC Bank is the best run bank with a track record of strong growth and profitability for over two decades. While return ratios are depressed due to the merger, we think it is temporary and the bank will revert to high-teens RoE in the medium term.

Catalysts

Sustaining Rs1trn deposit accretion per quarter and improvement in NIM from current lows are key catalysts.

Valuation details

We value the lending business using a long-term residual income model till FY40. We use a cost of equity of c.13% and an average RoE of 18% over the long term. In addition to the lending business, we value the subsidiaries based on our target prices (for the listed ones). We arrive at a TP of Rs2025.



Investment risks

A slower-than-expected pickup in India's economic growth could hinder demand for retail loans, as well as margins and asset quality. HDFC Bank faces relatively low risk in its corporate exposure as it focuses on higher-rated companies and less on infrastructure loans. Inability to garner deposits at competitive costs may lead to an impact on growth and/or NIMs going forward.







Detailed financials

| Profit & Loss (Rsm) | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Year to 31 March | 2020A | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024CL | 2025CL | 2026CL |
| Interest income | 1,148,127 | 1,208,582 | 1,277,531 | 1,615,856 | 2,605,583 | 3,265,806 | 3,772,564 |
| Interest expense | (586,264) | (559,787) | (557,435) | (747,433) | (1,511,209) | (1,909,137) | (2,165,838) |
| Net interest income | 561,863 | 648,796 | 720,096 | 868,422 | 1,094,373 | 1,356,669 | 1,606,726 |
| Trading income | 19,344 | 38,670 | 22,826 | (11,312) | 34,000 | 39,100 | 43,010 |
| FX gains/(losses) | 21,547 | 24,384 | 39,079 | 40,819 | 46,941 | 53,982 | 62,080 |
| Fee/Commission income | 163,337 | 161,693 | 195,366 | 238,440 | 247,978 | 285,175 | 327,951 |
| Other operating income | 28,380 | 27,302 | 37,828 | 44,201 | 83,000 | 87,500 | 92,675 |
| Non-interest income | 232,608 | 252,049 | 295,099 | 312,148 | 411,919 | 465,757 | 525,716 |
| Total op income | 794,471 | 900,845 | 1,015,195 | 1,180,571 | 1,506,293 | 1,822,426 | 2,132,442 |
| Staff related expenses | (95,257) | (103,648) | (120,317) | (155,124) | (208,641) | (246,197) | (283,126) |
| Property related expenses | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other operating expenses | (211,719) | (223,578) | (254,105) | (321,397) | (411,389) | (473,097) | (539,330) |
| Total operating expenses | (306,975) | (327,226) | (374,422) | (476,521) | (620,030) | (719,293) | (822,457) |
| Preprovision OP | 487,496 | 573,618 | 640,773 | 704,050 | 886,263 | 1,103,133 | 1,309,985 |
| Specific provision for loans | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| General provision for loans | (90,833) | (114,502) | (101,194) | (117,833) | (118,695) | (151,232) | (190,930) |
| Other provisions | (30,591) | (42,527) | (49,425) | (1,364) | (18,542) | (15,385) | (15,481) |
| Loan-loss provisions | (121,424) | (157,029) | (150,618) | (119,197) | (137,237) | (166,617) | (206,411) |
| Operating profit | 366,072 | 416,590 | 490,155 | 584,853 | 749,026 | 936,516 | 1,103,575 |
| Associate income | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other exceptional items | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other income/expense | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Profit before tax | 366,072 | 416,590 | 490,155 | 584,853 | 749,026 | 936,516 | 1,103,575 |
| Taxation | (103,498) | (105,425) | (120,541) | (143,766) | (157,295) | (234,129) | (275,894) |
| Profit after tax (before preference dividends) | 262,573 | 311,165 | 369,614 | 441,087 | 591,731 | 702,387 | 827,681 |
| Preference dividends | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Profit for period | 262,573 | 311,165 | 369,614 | 441,087 | 591,731 | 702,387 | 827,681 |
| Minority interest | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Net profit | 262,573 | 311,165 | 369,614 | 441,087 | 591,731 | 702,387 | 827,681 |
| Adjusted profit | 262,573 | 311,165 | 369,614 | 441,087 | 591,731 | 702,387 | 827,681 |
| EPS (Rs) | 47.9 | 56.4 | 66.7 | 79.1 | 77.9 | 92.5 | 109.0 |
| Adjusted EPS (Rs) | 47.9 | 56.4 | 66.7 | 79.1 | 77.9 | 92.5 | 109.0 |
| DPS (Rs) | 0.0 | 6.5 | 15.5 | 15.4 | 11.7 | 13.9 | 16.4 |

| Profit | C. | | |
|--------|----|------|--------|
| Protit | A. | INSS | rating |

| Year to 31 March | 2020A | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024CL | 2025CL | 2026CL |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| Growth (%) | | | | | | | |
| Net int inc growth (%) | 16.5 | 15.5 | 11.0 | 20.6 | 26.0 | 24.0 | 18.4 |
| Non-int inc growth (%) | 32.0 | 8.4 | 17.1 | 5.8 | 32.0 | 13.1 | 12.9 |
| Operating inc growth (%) | 20.6 | 13.4 | 12.7 | 16.3 | 27.6 | 21.0 | 17.0 |
| Operating exp growth (%) | 17.5 | 6.6 | 14.4 | 27.3 | 30.1 | 16.0 | 14.3 |
| Loan provision expense growth | 42.1 | 26.1 | (11.6) | 16.4 | 0.7 | 27.4 | 26.2 |
| Net profit growth (%) | 24.6 | 18.5 | 18.8 | 19.3 | 34.2 | 18.7 | 17.8 |
| EPS growth (% YoY) | 23.7 | 17.9 | 18.1 | 18.6 | (1.4) | 18.7 | 17.8 |
| Adj EPS growth (% YoY) | 23.7 | 17.9 | 18.1 | 18.6 | (1.4) | 18.7 | 17.8 |
| DPS growth (% YoY) | (100.0) | - | 138.5 | (0.5) | (24.2) | 18.7 | 17.8 |
| Margins (%) | | | | | | | |
| Spread (%) | 4.0 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.6 |
| Net interest margin (%) | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 4.0 |
| Returns (%) | | | | | | | |
| ROA (%) | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.8 |
| ROE (%) | 16.4 | 16.6 | 16.7 | 17.0 | 16.5 | 15.1 | 15.6 |
| Other key ratios (%) | | | | | | | |
| Non-interest inc/op inc (x) | 29.3 | 28.0 | 29.1 | 26.4 | 27.3 | 25.6 | 24.7 |
| Cost/income (%) | 38.6 | 36.3 | 36.9 | 40.4 | 41.2 | 39.5 | 38.6 |
| Staff costs/op costs (%) | 31.0 | 31.7 | 32.1 | 32.6 | 33.7 | 34.2 | 34.4 |
| Provision exp/loans (%) | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| Earnings payout ratio (%) | 0.0 | 11.5 | 23.3 | 19.5 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 |





Balance sheet (Rsm)

| Year to 31 March | 2020A | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024CL | 2025CL | 2026CL |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Gross loans | 10,028,105 | 11,433,678 | 13,805,542 | 16,142,365 | 25,909,140 | 29,768,051 | 34,236,666 |
| Loan loss reserve | (91,076) | (105,312) | (117,333) | (136,506) | (267,753) | (280,457) | (325,933) |
| Net Ioans | 9,937,029 | 11,328,366 | 13,688,209 | 16,005,859 | 25,641,386 | 29,487,594 | 33,910,733 |
| Cash & equivalents | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Placements with other banks | 144,136 | 221,297 | 223,313 | 766,043 | 306,052 | 287,218 | 350,406 |
| Other interest earning assets | 3,554,995 | 4,191,254 | 4,376,846 | 5,009,783 | 6,404,332 | 7,788,898 | 9,475,072 |
| Total interest earning assets | 13,636,160 | 15,740,917 | 18,288,368 | 21,781,685 | 32,351,769 | 37,563,709 | 43,736,211 |
| Net fixed assets | 44,319 | 49,093 | 60,837 | 80,166 | 107,422 | 118,164 | 129,980 |
| Intangible assets | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other assets | 1,624,633 | 1,678,695 | 2,336,146 | 2,798,964 | 3,868,302 | 3,999,346 | 4,464,013 |
| Total non-interest earning assets | 1,668,953 | 1,727,789 | 2,396,983 | 2,879,130 | 3,975,724 | 4,117,510 | 4,593,993 |
| Total assets | 15,305,113 | 17,468,705 | 20,685,351 | 24,660,815 | 36,327,493 | 41,681,219 | 48,330,204 |
| Current deposits | 1,742,479 | 2,121,821 | 2,393,106 | 2,734,961 | 2,734,961 | 3,336,653 | 4,070,717 |
| Savings deposits | 3,103,771 | 4,035,001 | 5,117,385 | 5,624,927 | 6,187,420 | 7,734,275 | 9,667,844 |
| Other deposits | 6,628,773 | 7,193,781 | 8,081,683 | 10,474,058 | 14,620,052 | 17,650,840 | 21,301,997 |
| Customer deposits | 11,475,023 | 13,350,602 | 15,592,174 | 18,833,946 | 23,542,433 | 28,721,768 | 35,040,557 |
| Deposits from banks | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other int-bearing liabs | 1,446,285 | 1,354,873 | 1,848,172 | 2,067,656 | 7,197,877 | 6,589,485 | 6,043,932 |
| Total int-bearing liabs | 12,921,308 | 14,705,475 | 17,440,346 | 20,901,602 | 30,740,310 | 35,311,253 | 41,084,489 |
| Other non-int-bearing liabs | 673,944 | 726,022 | 844,075 | 957,222 | 1,224,219 | 1,409,972 | 1,582,192 |
| Total liabilities | 13,595,252 | 15,431,497 | 18,284,421 | 21,858,825 | 31,964,528 | 36,721,225 | 42,666,681 |
| Share capital | 5,483 | 5,513 | 5,546 | 5,580 | 7,593 | 7,593 | 7,593 |
| Retained earnings | 1,704,377 | 2,031,696 | 2,395,384 | 2,796,410 | 4,355,372 | 4,952,402 | 5,655,930 |
| Reserves | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Treasury stock | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Shareholder funds | 1,709,860 | 2,037,208 | 2,400,929 | 2,801,990 | 4,362,965 | 4,959,994 | 5,663,523 |
| Minorities/other equity | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total equity | 1,709,860 | 2,037,208 | 2,400,929 | 2,801,990 | 4,362,965 | 4,959,994 | 5,663,523 |
| Total liabs & equity | 15,305,113 | 17,468,705 | 20,685,351 | 24,660,815 | 36,327,493 | 41,681,219 | 48,330,204 |
| Non-performing loans | 126,500 | 150,860 | 161,410 | 180,190 | 357,552 | 373,943 | 434,577 |
| Credit risk | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Operational risk | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Market risk | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Risk weighted assets | 9,947,157 | 11,311,439 | 13,535,110 | 15,866,350 | 24,099,043 | 28,484,238 | 33,994,646 |
| Average Risk weighted assets | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total tier 1 capital | 1,714,144 | 1,985,874 | 2,422,785 | 2,713,146 | 4,274,121 | 4,871,150 | 5,574,679 |
| Total capital | 1,842,579 | 2,125,463 | 2,445,388 | 2,770,392 | 4,369,909 | 5,002,323 | 5,741,332 |
| BVPS (Rs) | 311.8 | 369.5 | 432.9 | 502.2 | 574.6 | 653.3 | 745.9 |

Balance sheet ratios

| Year to 31 March | 2020A | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024CL | 2025CL | 2026CL |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|----------|--------|--------|
| Growth (%) | | | | | | | |
| Loan growth (%) | 21.3 | 14.0 | 20.8 | 16.9 | 60.2 | 15.0 | 15.0 |
| Deposits growth (%) | 24.3 | 16.3 | 16.8 | 20.8 | 25.0 | 22.0 | 22.0 |
| Loans/deposits (%) | 87.4 | 85.6 | 88.5 | 85.7 | 110.1 | 103.6 | 97.7 |
| Growth in total assets (% YoY) | 23.0 | 14.1 | 18.4 | 19.2 | 47.3 | 14.7 | 16.0 |
| Risk-wtd assets growth (%) | 6.7 | 13.7 | 19.7 | 17.2 | 51.9 | 18.2 | 19.3 |
| Asset quality | | | | | | | |
| Provision expense/loans (%) | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| Gross NPLs/total loans (%) | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Loan provisions/NPLs (%) | 72.0 | 69.8 | 72.7 | 75.8 | 74.9 | 75.0 | 75.0 |
| NPL growth/loan growth | 59.7 | 137.5 | 33.6 | 68.7 | 163.5 | 30.6 | 108.1 |
| Loan provision growth/loan provision | 32.6 | 60.0 | (98.2) | 99.4 | 13,140.8 | 17.3 | 61.8 |
| expense growth | | | | | | | |
| Capital Adequacy | | | | | | | |
| Tier 1 CAR (%) | 17.2 | 17.6 | 17.9 | 17.1 | 17.7 | 17.1 | 16.4 |
| CAR (%) | 18.5 | 18.8 | 18.1 | 17.5 | 18.1 | 17.6 | 16.9 |
| RWA/total assets (%) | 65.0 | 64.8 | 65.4 | 64.3 | 66.3 | 68.3 | 70.3 |
| Equity/total assets (%) | 11.2 | 11.7 | 11.6 | 11.4 | 12.0 | 11.9 | 11.7 |





DuPont analysis

| Year to 31 March | 2020A | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024CL | 2025CL | 2026CL |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| Net int income/assets (%) | 4.0 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.6 |
| Non-int income/assets (%) | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| Total op income/assets (%) | 5.7 | 5.5 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 4.7 |
| Op expenses/assets (%) | 2.2 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.8 |
| Op profit/assets (%) | 7.9 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.0 | 6.5 | 6.6 |
| Provision expenses/assets (%) | (0.9) | (1.0) | (0.8) | (0.5) | (0.5) | (0.4) | (0.5) |
| Other items/assets (%) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Tax expense/assets (%) | (2.0) | (1.7) | (1.6) | (1.7) | (1.4) | (1.5) | (1.5) |
| ROA (%) | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.8 |
| ROA incl other items/assets (%) | 5.1 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 4.6 | 4.6 |
| Leverage (x) | 8.7 | 8.7 | 8.6 | 8.7 | 8.5 | 8.4 | 8.5 |
| ROE (%) | 16.4 | 16.6 | 16.7 | 17.0 | 16.5 | 15.1 | 15.6 |



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