

TCS (TCS) - BUY

Result Update

Current Market Price (CMP) Rs.3240	Fair Value (FV) Rs.3675
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Rationale:

- TCS reported in-line revenue growth of 0.8% qoq and stable profitability.
- TCS is taking measures to close the gap with peers, including better focus on mega deals, reduced sales slippage & a renewed AI and M&A strategy.
- Initial results are encouraging, but sustained execution will be key for re-rating.
- TCS is well-positioned to be a core partner to clients across cloud, data & AI journeys.
- Incumbency poses a challenge during the revenue deflation phase of GenAI adoption.
- We value the stock at 22x multiple & roll over to Dec’27E earnings, leading to a revised FV of Rs3,675 from Rs3,550.
- We maintain a constructive stance on stock. Maintain BUY

👍 Positives:

- TCS reported 0.8% c/c qoq revenue growth (our estimate 0.4%) to \$750.9 cr in Q3.
- EBIT margin was flat at 25.2%, in line with our estimate.
- Adj. Net profit of Rs13,438 cr was up 4.1% qoq & 8.5% yoy; beat our estimate by 1.6%.

👎 Negatives:

- Deal TCV declines 7% qoq to US\$930 cr.
- Attrition rate increases 20 bps qoq to 13.5%.
- Margins have normalized in telecom and healthcare verticals.

AI: Artificial Intelligence. M&A: Mergers and Acquisition. EBIT: Earnings Before Interest and Tax. TCV: Total Contract Value.



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Holding Period: 12 months

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