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Consensus ratings*: Bu	ıy 28	Hold 6	Sell 2
Current price:			Rs1,345
Target price:			Rs1,650
Previous target:			Rs1,650
Up/downside:			22.7%
EIP Research / Consens	us:		8.1%
Reuters:		S	RTR.BO
Bloomberg:		;	SHTF IN
Market cap:		USS	\$4,594m
		Rs3,4	40,380m
Average daily turnover:		US	S\$66.3m
		Rs	4910.2m
Current shares o/s:			226.9m
Free float:			74.0%
*Source: Bloomberg			



Price performance	1 <i>M</i> (5.4) (3.0)	3M	<i>12M</i>
Absolute (%)		4.2	76.8
Relative (%)		7.3	22.2
Major shareholders Shriram Capital Itd		9,	6 held 26.5

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Robust performance in challenging time

- PAT was up 240% yoy to Rs75.5bn in 4QFY21, with PPoP growth of 12.8% yoy aided by NII growth of 9.7% and muted opex growth of 0.5% yoy.
- Asset quality remains strong with GNPLs/NNPLs declining 5bp/9bp gog in 4Q and strong coverage ratios of 42%. Collections improved gog to c.103%
- Given in-line growth, adequate provisioning, comfortable coverage ratio and sufficient liquidity, SHTF remains our preferred pick among asset financiers.

Operating performance largely in line

4QFY21 net profit stood at Rs7.55bn (up 238% yoy) with uptick in PPoP by 12.8% yoy and muted opex growth of 0.5% yoy. NII grew 9.7% yoy. Overall NIM contracted 8bp qoq to 6.8% due to higher liquidity. Cost-to-income ratio stood at 23.8% vs. 23.4% in 3Q. Credit cost was at 2.49% vs. 2.36% in 3Q. AUM growth stood at 6.8% yoy, largely driven by used vehicle segment growth. Disbursement growth was strong at 44.8% yoy and 25% gog. Collection efficiencies improved to 103% of demand vs 97.5% in 3Q. Cumulative COVID-19 provisions till FY21 stood at Rs25.9bn (2.2% of advances).

Asset quality largely stable, outlook remains positive

Collection efficiency (CE) improved to 103.3% in 4Q from 97.5% sequentially. April CE stood at 91.7% though these numbers will look up when the lockdown eases. GNPL (Stage 3) ratio declined 5bp gog to 7.06% and stood at Rs82.9bn. Cumulative COVID-19 provisions stood at Rs25.9bn. Coverage ratios were comfortable with Stage 3 coverage ratio up 85bp qoq at 42.1% in 4Q and Stage 1 and 2 provisions at 4.08%. NNPLs declined 9bp gog to 4.22%. Once overall delinguencies normalise, we expect credit costs to fall sharply and build in 210/200bp credit costs for FY22/23F (~280bp for FY21). This is likely to be the key driver of earnings through FY23F.

AUM growth in line with management guidance at 6.8% yoy

Overall assets under management (AUM) growth was largely in line with management guidance and stood at 6.8% yoy (Rs1.17tr) as on 4Q. The old vehicle segment grew by 11.3% yoy. The segment now forms 89.2% of total AUM. Overall disbursements were strong across the old and new vehicle segments, up 44.8% yoy and 22.8% qoq (Rs149.7bn). NIMs contracted by 8bp qoq and stood at 6.8%. NIMs were predominantly impacted by the liquidity charge on the balance sheet. SHTF's liquidity buffer was Rs191.8bn in 4Q vs. Rs152.4bn in 3Q (sufficient to aid three months of disbursements).

Remains a preferred pick amongst NBFC players

Given increased visibility around credit costs and growth, coupled with high liquidity and more than adequate provisioning, SHTF remains our preferred pick among asset financiers. With current tier-I capital at ~20%, we do not expect any meaningful dilution in the near term. We maintain Add rating with TP of Rs1,650 at 1.5x FY23F P/B based on sustainable ROEs of 14%. Higher-than-expected delinquencies/credit costs due to a second COVID wave remain key risks to our call.

Financial Summary	Mar-19A	Mar-20A	Mar-21A	Mar-22F	Mar-23F
Net Interest Income (Rsm)	78,730	79,168	83,644	90,290	99,555
Total Non-Interest Income (Rsm)	1,614	2,847	2,913	3,220	3,563
Operating Revenue (Rsm)	80,344	82,015	86,557	93,510	1,03,118
Total Provision Charges (Rsm)	(23,823)	(27,949)	(32,069)	(26,831)	(28,293)
Net Profit (Rsm)	25,640	25,019	25,288	32,682	36,691
Core EPS (Rs)	113.00	110.27	98.29	128.77	145.78
Core EPS Growth	4%	(2%)	(11%)	31%	13%
FD Core P/E (x)	107.31	104.72	94.90	122.65	137.69
DPS (Rs)	12.00	12.00	13.00	12.00	12.00
Dividend Yield	0.89%	0.89%	0.97%	0.89%	0.89%
BVPS (Rs)	697.9	793.6	855.2	970.3	1,101.2
P/BV (x)	1.93	1.69	1.57	1.39	1.22
ROE	17.4%	14.8%	12.8%	14.1%	14.0%
% Change In Core EPS Estimates				(0.3%)	0.5%
EIP Research/Consensus EPS (x)				0.98	0.94

SOURCES: EIP RESEARCH, COMPANY REPORTS. PRICED AS AT 30 APR 2021

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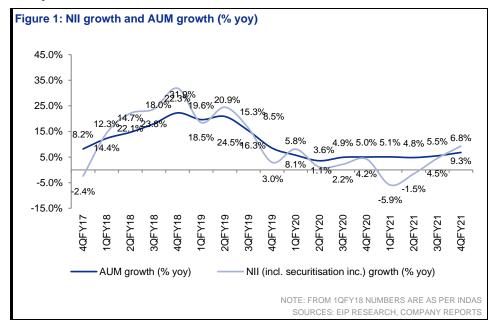
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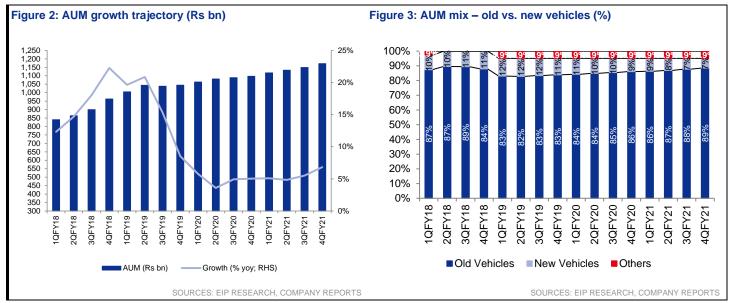
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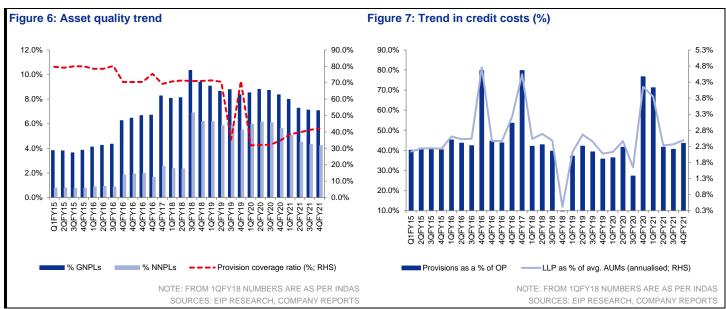






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Liquidity on balance sheet remains a drag on NIMs for now but will gradually come off aiding NIMs.

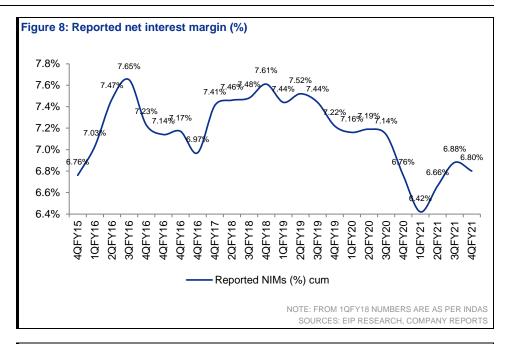


Figure 9: ROE tree					
Particulars	FY19A	FY20A	FY21F	FY22F	FY23F
Net Interest Income / Avg. Assets	7.8%	7.2%	7.1%	7.1%	7.0%
Other Income / Avg. Assets	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%
Income Yield / Avg. Assets	7.9%	7.5%	7.4%	7.3%	7.2%
Op. Cost (Staff cost) / Avg Assets	0.9%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%
Op. Cost (Other costs) / Avg Assets	1.0%	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%
Operating profit / Avg Assets	6.1%	5.7%	5.6%	5.5%	5.4%
Total provisions / Avg. assets	2.4%	2.5%	2.7%	2.1%	2.0%
Pre-Tax ROA	3.7%	3.1%	2.9%	3.4%	3.4%
Tax Retention Rate	67.9%	72.8%	74.8%	74.8%	74.8%
Post Tax ROA	2.5%	2.3%	2.2%	2.6%	2.6%
Leverage = Avg. Assets / Avg. Equity	6.9	6.5	5.9	5.5	5.5
ROE (Leverage * ROA)	17.4%	14.8%	12.8%	14.1%	14.0%
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Operating Revenue	80,344	82,015	86,557	93,510	1,03,118
Total Non-Interest Expenses	(18,739)	(19,679)	(20,694)	(23,003)	(25,793)
Pre-provision Operating Profit	61,605	62,336	65,863	70,507	77,325
Total Provision Charges	(23,823)	(27,949)	(32,069)	(26,831)	(28,293)
Operating Profit After Provisions	37,783	34,387	33,794	43,676	49,032
Pretax Income/(Loss) from Assoc.					
Operating EBIT (incl Associates)	37,783	34,387	33,794	43,676	49,032
Non-Operating Income/(Expense)					
Profit Before Tax (pre-EI)	37,783	34,387	33,794	43,676	49,032
Exceptional Items					
Pre-tax Profit	37,783	34,387	33,794	43,676	49,032
Taxation	(12,143)	(9,368)	(8,506)	(10,993)	(12,341)
Consolidation Adjustments & Others					
Exceptional Income - post-tax					
Profit After Tax	25,640	25,019	25,288	32,682	36,691
Minority Interests					
Pref. & Special Div					
FX And Other Adj.					
Net Profit	25,640	25,019	25,288	32,682	36,691
Recurring Net Profit					

Balance Sheet Employment					
(Rsm)	Mar-19A	Mar-20A	Mar-21A	Mar-22F	Mar-23F
Gross Loans/Cust Deposits					
Avg Loans/Avg Deposits					
Avg Liquid Assets/Avg Assets	6.9%	8.2%	8.9%	8.9%	8.9%
Avg Liquid Assets/Avg IEAs	7.2%	8.8%	9.6%	9.6%	9.6%
Net Cust Loans/Assets	91.9%	89.6%	89.3%	89.2%	89.1%
Net Cust Loans/Broad Deposits	260.2%	240.7%	246.6%	246.6%	246.6%
Equity & Provns/Gross Cust Loans	19.6%	20.9%	24.8%	25.5%	26.1%
Asset Risk Weighting	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Provision Charge/Avg Cust Loans	2.54%	2.81%	3.06%	2.36%	2.22%
Provision Charge/Avg Assets	2.35%	2.55%	2.74%	2.11%	1.98%
Total Write Offs/Average Assets					

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Balance Sheet					
(Rsm)	Mar-19A	Mar-20A	Mar-21A	Mar-22F	Mar-23F
Total Gross Loans	9,67,515	10,22,316	10,73,432	12,02,244	13,46,513
Liquid Assets & Invst. (Current)	39,857	27,985	40,621	45,495	50,955
Other Int. Earning Assets					
Total Gross Int. Earning Assets	10,07,372	10,50,301	11,14,053	12,47,739	13,97,468
Total Provisions/Loan Loss Reserve					
Total Net Interest Earning Assets	10,07,372	10,50,301	11,14,053	12,47,739	13,97,468
Intangible Assets					
Other Non-Interest Earning Assets	3,392	15,712	18,854	22,625	27,150
Total Non-Interest Earning Assets	5,738	17,836	21,278	25,409	30,365
Cash And Marketable Securities	39,815	73,149	66,229	74,090	83,040
Long-term Investments					
Total Assets	10,52,925	11,41,286	12,01,560	13,47,238	15,10,873
Customer Interest-Bearing Liabilities					
Bank Deposits	3,71,893	4,24,746	4,35,298	4,87,534	5,46,038
Interest Bearing Liabilities: Others	4,45,232	4,62,271	4,75,164	5,38,987	6,10,470
Total Interest-Bearing Liabilities	8,79,144	9,43,718	9,67,162	10,83,222	12,13,208
Banks Liabilities Under Acceptances					
Total Non-Interest Bearing Liabilities	15,418	17,517	17,985	18,473	18,984
Total Liabilities	8,94,562	9,61,235	9,85,147	11,01,695	12,32,193
Shareholders Equity	1,58,363	1,80,052	2,16,413	2,45,543	2,78,680
Minority Interests					
Total Equity	1,58,363	1,80,052	2,16,413	2,45,543	2,78,680

Key Ratios					
	Mar-19A	Mar-20A	Mar-21A	Mar-22F	Mar-23F
Total Income Growth	15.4%	0.6%	5.7%	7.9%	10.3%
Operating Profit Growth	11.5%	1.2%	5.7%	7.1%	9.7%
Pretax Profit Growth	(1%)	(9%)	(2%)	29%	12%
Net Interest To Total Income	98.0%	96.5%	96.6%	96.6%	96.5%
Cost Of Funds	8.83%	9.18%	8.78%	8.76%	8.75%
Return On Interest Earning Assets	15.9%	15.8%	15.5%	15.3%	15.1%
Net Interest Spread	7.04%	6.65%	6.70%	6.49%	6.37%
Net Interest Margin (Avg Deposits)					
Net Interest Margin (Avg RWA)	7.77%	7.22%	7.14%	7.08%	6.97%
Provisions to Pre Prov. Operating Profit	39%	45%	49%	38%	37%
Interest Return On Average Assets	7.77%	7.22%	7.14%	7.08%	6.97%
Effective Tax Rate	32.1%	27.2%	25.2%	25.2%	25.2%
Net Dividend Payout Ratio	12.4%	12.7%	15.2%	10.9%	9.7%
Return On Average Assets	2.53%	2.28%	2.16%	2.56%	2.57%

Key Drivers					
	Mar-19A	Mar-20A	Mar-21A	Mar-22F	Mar-23F
Loan Growth (%)	6.6%	5.7%	5.0%	12.0%	12.0%
Net Interest Margin (%)	8.1%	7.7%	7.7%	7.6%	7.5%
Non Interest Income Growth (%)	(47.6%)	76.4%	2.3%	10.5%	10.7%
Cost-income Ratio (%)	23.3%	24.0%	23.9%	24.6%	25.0%
Net NPL Ratio (%)	1.1%	1.4%	1.2%	1.3%	1.3%
Loan Loss Reserve (%)	36.8%	37.0%	47.1%	50.6%	54.7%
GP Ratio (%)	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Total CAR (%)	25.1%	24.0%	25.7%	24.9%	24.2%

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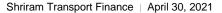
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