

**InCred** Equities

# India

HOLD (previously ADD)

Consensus ratings*: Buy 8	Hold 9	Sell 4
Current price:		Rs254
Target price:		Rs240
Previous target:		Rs355
Up/downside:		-5.5%
InCred Research / Consensus:		-23.3%
Reuters:	R	ALL.NS
Bloomberg:		RALI IN
Market cap:	U	S\$645m
	Rs4	l9,327m
Average daily turnover:	U	S\$1.4m
	Rs	s105.8m
Current shares o/s:		194.5m
Free float: *Source: Bloomberg		49.9%

### Key changes in this note

FY23F EPS cut by 25.6%.



Price performance	1M	ЗM	12M
Absolute (%)	2.7	(5.4)	(9.9)
Relative (%) 3.0		(4.3)	(24.6)
Major shareholders		% held	
Promoter & Promoter G		50.1	
Nippon Life India		3.1	
SBI Long Term Fund			2.9

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# Rallis India Ltd

# Misses on EPS continue; downgrade to Hold

- Business challenges like supply chain disruption and raw material availability have led to continuous disappointment on the EPS front.
- We believe these issues will continue to persist in the near term, which will impact profitability of the company.
- We cut our EPS estimate for FY23F by 25.6% and introduce FY24F and FY25F numbers. We downgrade the stock to Hold with a new target price of Rs240.

#### Multiple headwinds to growth trajectory

Rallis' management, at 4QFY22 con-call, highlighted that the business has been impacted due to three reasons - supply chain disruption, availability of raw materials and excessive rainfall across certain regions which has hit overall product offtake. Around 50% of the company's key raw materials are being procured from China. The company is trying to resort to domestic sourcing of raw material, but we believe that it will still be a near-term challenge. Higher inventory is also one of the other concerns as there are sales returns due to logistics problems. Rising crude oil and base chemical product prices are a structural risk and Rallis is facing the same. We don't believe these risks are going to abate in the near to medium term and hence, we have cut our EPS estimates and downgraded the stock to Hold (from Add earlier).

#### Rising cost of key raw materials will hurt margins

The company had highlighted in the con-call that rising input cost is a key concern to margins as the price hikes have not been able to absorb cost inflation. While average freight cost has gone up by 1.7x, solvents' cost has risen by 1.5x since 1QFY22. Natural gas price has also increased by 1.7x since 1QFY22. The cost of one key raw material has also risen by 1.2x since 1QFY22. We believe all this will impact the company's earnings in the near term.

#### New product launches and capacity expansion to help Rallis

In FY22, Rallis added six new products in the crop protection segment. The company is also undertaking capacity expansion and debottlenecking of capacity for some of its products like hexaconazole, metalalxyl, acetamiprid, and lambda cyhalothrin. We believe this will help the company to partially offset the major concerns of the business.

#### We value Rallis at 20x FY24F EPS and downgrade its rating to Hold

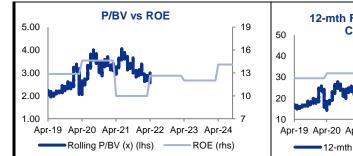
Despite price hikes, Rallis is not able to fully absorb cost inflation. Given raw material supply and logistics problems and volatile earnings, we have valued the stock at 20x FY24F EPS and downgraded our rating on it to Hold (from Add earlier) with a target price of Rs240 (from Rs355 earlier). Risks: While we cut gross margin to account for raw material cost pressure, in a rising raw material scenario gross margin can surprise negatively. On the positive side, big global demand tailwind (although unlikely in a high inflationary scenario) can lead to a positive surprise on the earnings per share or EPS front.

Financial Summary	Mar-21A	Mar-22A	Mar-23F	Mar-24F	Mar-25F
Revenue (Rsm)	24,294	26,039	29,205	31,700	34,846
Operating EBITDA (Rsm)	3,229	2,741	3,477	3,708	4,761
Net Profit (Rsm)	2,286	1,642	2,243	2,332	3,009
Core EPS (Rs)	11.4	8.4	11.5	12.0	15.5
Core EPS Growth	25.8%	(25.9%)	36.6%	4.0%	29.0%
FD Core P/E (x)	21.58	30.05	21.99	21.15	16.39
DPS (Rs)	3.0	3.0	3.2	3.4	4.3
Dividend Yield	1.18%	1.18%	1.27%	1.32%	1.71%
EV/EBITDA (x)	14.36	17.22	13.37	12.46	9.53
P/FCFE (x)	127.47	81.70	103.47	51.17	28.69
Net Gearing	(18.7%)	(12.6%)	(15.4%)	(15.5%)	(17.7%)
P/BV (x)	3.10	2.91	2.66	2.43	2.20
ROE	14.8%	10.0%	12.6%	12.0%	14.1%
% Change In Core EPS Estimates			(25.59%)		
InCred Research/Consensus EPS (x)			0.91	0.80	0.00

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### **BY THE NUMBERS**





#### Profit & Loss

(Rs mn)	Mar-21A	Mar-22A	Mar-23F	Mar-24F	Mar-25F
Total Net Revenues	24,294	26,039	29,205	31,700	34,846
Gross Profit	9,542	9,804	11,390	12,363	14,287
Operating EBITDA	3,229	2,741	3,477	3,708	4,761
Depreciation And Amortisation	(641)	(743)	(888)	(1,046)	(1,230)
Operating EBIT	2,588	1,998	2,590	2,662	3,531
Financial Income/(Expense)	(52)	(48)	(48)	(38)	(38)
Pretax Income/(Loss) from Assoc.					
Non-Operating Income/(Expense)	405	275	497	535	583
Profit Before Tax (pre-El)	2,941	2,224	3,039	3,159	4,076
Exceptional Items	95				
Pre-tax Profit	3,035	2,224	3,039	3,159	4,076
Taxation	(749)	(582)	(795)	(827)	(1,067)
Exceptional Income - post-tax					
Profit After Tax	2,286	1,642	2,243	2,332	3,009
Minority Interests					
Preferred Dividends					
FX Gain/(Loss) - post tax					
Other Adjustments - post-tax					
Net Profit	2,286	1,642	2,243	2,332	3,009
Recurring Net Profit	2,215	1,642	2,243	2,332	3,009
Fully Diluted Recurring Net Profit	2,215	1,642	2,243	2,332	3,009

Cash Flow					
(Rs mn)	Mar-21A	Mar-22A	Mar-23F	Mar-24F	Mar-25F
EBITDA	3,229	2,741	3,477	3,708	4,761
Cash Flow from Invt. & Assoc.					
Change In Working Capital	(602)	(750)	(211)	(508)	(579)
(Incr)/Decr in Total Provisions					
Other Non-Cash (Income)/Expense	(212)	80	1,308	56	21
Other Operating Cashflow	(940)	(1,053)	(1,046)	(1,081)	(1,513)
Net Interest (Paid)/Received	(52)	(48)	(48)	(38)	(38)
Tax Paid	746	688	795	827	1,067
Cashflow From Operations	2,168	1,658	4,276	2,964	3,719
Capex	(1,578)	(1,806)	(2,882)	(2,000)	(2,000)
Disposals Of FAs/subsidiaries					
Acq. Of Subsidiaries/investments					
Other Investing Cashflow	(38)	764	(716)		
Cash Flow From Investing	(1,616)	(1,042)	(3,598)	(2,000)	(2,000)
Debt Raised/(repaid)	(165)	(13)	(201)		
Proceeds From Issue Of Shares					
Shares Repurchased					
Dividends Paid	(488)	(585)	(628)	(653)	(843)
Preferred Dividends					
Other Financing Cashflow	(21)	(17)	(48)	(38)	(38)
Cash Flow From Financing	(674)	(614)	(877)	(691)	(880)
Total Cash Generated	(122)	2	(199)	273	839
Free Cashflow To Equity	387	604	477	964	1,719
Free Cashflow To Firm	604	664	726	1,002	1,757

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Balance Sheet					
(Rs mn)	Mar-21A	Mar-22A	Mar-23F	Mar-24F	Mar-25F
Total Cash And Equivalents	3,354	2,719	3,236	3,509	4,348
Total Debtors	4,063	4,459	4,884	5,301	5,827
Inventories	7,632	9,380	9,175	9,958	10,947
Total Other Current Assets	1,505	1,381	1,745	1,871	2,024
Total Current Assets	16,554	17,940	19,040	20,640	23,146
Fixed Assets	5,996	5,871	7,866	8,820	9,590
Total Investments	32	32	32	32	32
Intangible Assets	1,958	1,958	1,958	1,958	1,958
Total Other Non-Current Assets	1,346	2,780	1,396	1,359	1,359
Total Non-current Assets	9,332	10,641	11,251	12,168	12,938
Short-term Debt	300	542	300	300	300
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt					
Total Creditors	5,961	7,525	7,166	7,778	8,550
Other Current Liabilities	2,883	2,700	3,432	3,639	3,956
Total Current Liabilities	9,144	10,767	10,898	11,717	12,806
Total Long-term Debt	78	38	78	78	78
Hybrid Debt - Debt Component					
Total Other Non-Current Liabilities	216	217	216	216	216
Total Non-current Liabilities	294	255	294	294	294
Total Provisions	532	592	517	536	557
Total Liabilities	9,971	11,614	11,709	12,547	13,657
Shareholders Equity	15,908	16,967	18,582	20,261	22,428
Minority Interests	7				
Total Equity	15,915	16,967	18,582	20,261	22,428
Key Ratios					
	Mar-21A	Mar-22A	Mar-23F	Mar-24F	Mar-25F
Revenue Growth	7.9%	7.2%	12.2%	8.5%	9.9%
Operating EBITDA Growth	18.0%	(15.1%)	26.9%	6.6%	28.4%
Operating EBITDA Margin	13.3%	10.5%	11.9%	11.7%	13.7%
Net Cash Per Share (Rs)	15.30	11.00	14.69	16.10	20.41
BVPS (Rs)	81.80	87.23	95.54	104.17	115.31
Gross Interest Cover	49.68	41.70	54.06	70.35	93.33
Effective Tax Rate	24.7%	26.2%	26.2%	26.2%	26.2%
Net Dividend Payout Ratio	26.6%	35.5%	28.0%	28.0%	28.0%
Accounts Receivables Days	64.37	59.73	58.39	58.64	58.28
Inventory Days	180.92	191.22	190.07	180.58	185.57
Accounts Payables Days	(152.59)	(151.59)	(150.49)	(141.03)	(144.93
ROIC (%)	19.0%	12.8%	15.8%	14.9%	18.4%
ROCE (%)	16.4%	11.6%	14.0%	13.3%	16.1%
Return On Average Assets	8.9%	6.2%	7.8%	7.5%	8.8%

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