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## **InCred** Equities

### India

HOLD (previously ADD)

Consensus ratings*: Buy 35	Hold 4	Sell 0
Current price:		Rs276
Target price:		Rs285
Previous target:		Rs285
Up/downside:		3.3%
InCred Research / Consensus:		-12.2%
Reuters:	H	PCL.NS
Bloomberg:	F	IPCL IN
Market cap:	US\$	5,381m
	Rs3,9	1,945m
Average daily turnover:	US	\$24.4m
	Rs1	780.0m
Current shares o/s:	1	418.5m
Free float: *Source: Bloomberg		46.5%

#### Key changes in this note

- FY22F EPS decreased by 1.3%
- FY23F EPS decreased by 1.7%



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### Lower risk reward

- Record earnings in 4Q driven entirely by inventory gains. Core earnings were slightly below our expectations. HPCL declared dividend of Rs22.75/share.
- We expect recovery in volumes and GRMs in FY22F-24F, assuming the current negative impact on economic activity due to Covid to be short-lived.
- We downgrade to Hold with unchanged TP of Rs285 (1x Mar23F P/BV. 15% ROE in FY23F). Large off-balance sheet debt will keep valuations under check.

#### Massive inventory gains drive profits

HPCL standalone reported EBITDA of Rs46.7bn after considering inventory gains of Rs40.52bn and an exceptional charge of Rs8.4bn towards loans given to below-povertyline LPG consumers. Adjusted EBITDA of Rs14.6bn was better than our estimate of Rs11.4bn but only due to a Rs4.4bn qoq drop in staff costs due to reversal of prior year provisions. 56% of FY21 net profit was on account of inventory and forex gains. HPCL reported ex-inventory gross refining margin (GRM) of US\$3.5/bbl in 4Q and US\$1.87bn in FY21. The latter was higher than our estimate of US\$1.13/bbl (based on guarterly disclosure of inventory gains) and HPCL clarified that it will now report ex-inventory GRM based on current pricing (i.e., without the impact of price lag). Assuming lease liabilities at Mar 2021 (not disclosed) were at Dec 2020 levels (Rs27bn), debt was Rs427bn virtually unchanged from Mar 2020 level of Rs430bn. In Apr 2021, HPCL announced the closure of its buyback plan wherein it bought 105.3m shares (6.9% of outstanding shares) for Rs24bn (average cost of Rs228/sh).

#### Management commentary provided update on operations

Capex (including equity contribution to JVs) was Rs140bn in FY21 and will rise to Rs145bn in FY22F. The Mumbai and Visakh refinery expansions as well as the petrochem cracker of Hindustan Mittal Energy (HMEL) will be operational in CY21, the bottom upgradation project at Visakh refinery in CY22 and the Rajasthan refinery in FY24. Diesel and gasoline demand in May 2021 has dropped by 30% relative to May 2019 levels, but HPCL expects a sharp rebound in subsequent months. HPCL has to contribute Rs100bn as equity to its Rajasthan refinery JV while no additional equity support is expected for HMEL (despite likely very high gearing). Government subsidy dues had dropped to just Rs3bn in Mar 2021 compared to Rs64bn in Mar 2020.

#### Downgrade to Hold with unchanged TP of Rs285

While the stock rallied in recent months (largely driven by FY21 dividend, in our view), core earnings were poor in 4QFY21 and our estimates already assume improvement in Indian oil demand and the GRM cycle. Given the risks associated with predicting both variables, we see no reason to chase the stock and downgrade our rating to Hold. HPCL's apparent cheap valuations can be attributed to large debt sitting in its two JVs - HMEL and Rajasthan Refinery – which is not consolidated. Downside risk is a sharp spurt in global oil prices, while upside risk is better-than-expected GRMs.

Financial Summary	Mar-20A	Mar-21A	Mar-22F	Mar-23F	Mar-24F
Revenue (Rsm)	26,90,915	23,32,485	27,70,408	24,55,527	22,68,648
Operating EBITDA (Rsm)	55,350	1,60,034	1,07,388	1,32,744	1,40,433
Net Profit (Rsm)	26,387	1,06,629	57,368	63,100	65,490
Core EPS (Rs)	17.3	70.6	39.4	44.3	46.0
Core EPS Growth	(60.6%)	307.8%	(44.2%)	12.5%	3.8%
FD Core P/E (x)	15.96	3.77	6.86	6.23	6.01
DPS (Rs)	9.8	22.8	14.0	14.0	14.0
Dividend Yield	3.53%	8.55%	5.18%	5.07%	5.07%
EV/EBITDA (x)	12.39	4.11	6.57	5.08	4.44
P/FCFE (x)	41.38	13.23	9.90	30.11	30.74
Net Gearing	124.1%	98.5%	118.0%	109.8%	90.8%
P/BV (x)	1.36	1.04	0.99	0.90	0.82
ROE	8.6%	30.7%	14.7%	15.1%	14.3%
% Change In Core EPS Estimates			(1.31%)	(1.70%)	
InCred Research/Consensus EPS (x)			0.92	0.92	0.00

SOURCES: INCRED RESEARCH ESTIMATES, COMPANY REPORTS. PRICED AS AT 21 MAY 2021



The contribution from the JVs mainly reflects the profit share from Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Limited (MRPL) and HMEL. Management stated that for FY21, HMEL posted some positive profits while MRPL was negative.

Reported EBITDA of Rs46.7bn was after inventory gains of Rs40.52bn and an exceptional charge of Rs8.4bn relating to LPG loans provision. Adjusted EBITDA of Rs14.6bn was better than our estimate of Rs11.4bn, but mainly due to sharp gog drop in staff costs (Rs4.4bn in 4Q vs Rs8.8bn in 3Q) which management attributed to reversal of the prior year's provisions. Assuming lease liabilities at Mar 2021 were at Dec 2020 levels (Rs27bn), debt was Rs427bn - virtually unchanged from Mar 2020 level of Rs430bn.

Broadly gasoline volumes have shown some positive surprise while diesel has disappointed. Jet fuel volumes are still well below pre-Covid levels.

### Lower risk reward

Figure 1: HPCL consolidated quarterly result trends (Rs m)									
Rsm	4QFY20	1QFY21	2QFY21	3QFY21	4QFY21	yoy %	qoq %		
EBITDA	-13,278	43,613	36,081	32,973	47,367	-457%	44%		
Interest	-3,506	-3,340	-2,724	-1,323	-2,246	-36%	70%		
Depreciation	-8,341	-8,831	-8,833	-8,944	-9,647	16%	8%		
Other income	4,052	5,334	7,782	8,421	4,900	21%	-42%		
Share of profit from associates/JVs	-5,454	-5,579	6,074	569	323	-106%	-43%		
Profit before tax	-26,528	31,197	38,380	31,696	40,698	-253%	28%		
Тах	26,252	-8,671	-8,621	-7,959	-10,091	-138%	27%		
Net profit	-276	22,527	29,758	23,737	30,607	-11189%	29%		
EPS (Rs)	-0.18	14.78	19.53	15.84	20.42	-11376%	29%		
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#### Figure 2: HPCL standalone quarterly result trends (Rs m)

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Rsm	4QFY20	1QFY21	2QFY21	3QFY21	4QFY21	yoy %	qoq %	
EBITDA	-17,095	43,536	36,039	33,015	46,664	-373%	41%	
Interest	-3,374	-3,217	-2,604	-1,274	-2,053	-39%	61%	
Depreciation	-8,114	-8,661	-8,683	-8,811	-9,372	16%	6%	
Other income	4,241	5,626	8,168	8,648	5,446	28%	-37%	
Profit before tax	-24,343	37,284	32,920	31,579	40,685	-267%	29%	
Тах	24,612	-9,146	-8,146	-8,032	-10,506	-143%	31%	
Net profit	269	28,138	24,775	23,546	30,180	11119%	28%	
EPS (Rs)	0.18	18.47	16.26	15.71	20.78	11674%	32%	
Operating data								
Refining throughtput (mmt)	4.54	3.97	4.06	4.00	4.39	-3%	10%	
Pipeline throughput (mmt)	5.72	3.54	4.70	5.52	5.36	-6%	-3%	
Domestic sales volumes (mmt)	9.25	7.24	8.10	10.03	9.83	6%	-2%	
Exports (mmt)	0.32	0.38	0.33	0.37	0.31	-3%	-16%	
Singapore GRM (US\$/bbl)	1.09	-0.94	0.08	1.20	1.80	65%	50%	
HPCL reported GRM (US\$/bbl)	-1.23	0.04	5.11	1.87	8.11	-759%	334%	
HPCL GRM ex-inventory (US\$/bbl)	9.39	-0.86	2.77	-0.95	3.48	-63%	-466%	
Other financial data								
Staff costs	8,382	8,643	10,053	8,836	4,352	-48%	-51%	
Inventory gains/(loss)								
In refining	-25,840	2,010	5,230	6,160	10,970			
In marketing	-15,290	4,320	12,570	7,070	29,550			
EBITDA excl inventory/forex	37,033	37,206	18,239	19,785	14,557	0%	0%	
Forex (loss/gain)	-9,750	490	5,240	2,970	1,410			
Total debt (Rs bn)	430	367	346	333	427	-1%	28%	
Capex (Rs bn)	45	9	28	38	60	33%	57%	
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Figure 3: Transportation fuels marketing performance								
	4QFY20	1QFY21	2QFY21	3QFY21	4QFY21	yoy %	qoq %	
Gasoline sales (mmt)	1.73	1.19	1.71	1.95	1.90	9.8%	-2.6%	
Diesel sales (mmt)	4.19	3.24	3.41	4.64	4.44	6.0%	-4.3%	
Jet fuel sales (mmt)	0.18	0.04	0.08	0.12	0.15	-16.7%	25.0%	
Gasoline market share	24.3%	23.7%	24.1%	24.3%	24.3%			
Diesel market share	21.2%	21.5%	21.5%	21.9%	21.6%			
Jet fuel market share	9.4%	10.3%	10.0%	10.3%	11.1%			
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Inventory and forex gains (latter included in other income) contributed to 56% of FY21 net profit. Our FY22F-24F estimates do not factor in any gains or losses on inventory or forex. Commissioning of refining projects will lead to higher interest and depreciation costs over FY22F-24F. The exact impact on the bottomline will depend on the extent to which these refining projects contribute to higher GRMs. Hence. an improvement in the GRM cycle is key to earnings upside.

Large inventory gains in FY21F have resulted in a sharp jump in reported earnings. In FY22F-24F, we estimate refining profits to improve and auto fuel marketing profits to moderate.

We expect crude throughputs to rise as expansions at both the Mumbai and Visakh refineries are implemented (with some negative impact in FY22F due to Covid and expansion-related shutdowns). HPCL has sought to compensate for poor GRMs by raising auto fuel marketing margins to unsustainable levels. We believe that GRMs in FY22F-24F will recover while marketing margins will moderate.

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2022F

Figure 4: HPCL standa	lone P&L (Rs r	n)	
Y/E Mar	2019	2020	2021
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EBITDA	1,20,209	49,941	1,59,254	1,05,258	1,30,613	1,38,303		
Interest	-7,259	-10,817	-9,147	-12,381	-26,212	-27,084		
Depreciation	-30,126	-33,044	-35,527	-40,616	-48,196	-52,985		
Other income	10,563	9,647	27,887	17,027	17,767	18,568		
Pre-tax profit	93,387	15,726	1,42,467	69,288	73,973	76,802		
Тах	-33,100	10,646	-35,829	-17,461	-18,641	-19,354		
Net profit	60,287	26,373	1,06,638	51,827	55,332	57,448		
EPS (Rs)	39.6	17.3	70.6	35.6	38.9	40.3		
Book value per share (Rs)	184.9	190.1	241.9	256.0	286.6	312.9		
ROE	23.1%	9.2%	32.6%	14.0%	14.2%	13.5%		
Net debt equity	78%	130%	102%	123%	116%	96%		
Staff costs	29,385	31,935	31,884	35,000	36,750	38,588		
	SOURCES: INCRED RESEARCH ESTIMATES, COMPANY REPOR							

Y/E Mar	2019	2020	2021F	2022F	2023F	2024F
Gross margins from all business segments						
Refinery (excl inventory)	39,748	38,668	16,643	32,522	69,478	78,293
Auto fuels	83,613	77,181	1,01,103	97,934	90,947	94,214
LPG/kero marketing	26,961	28,777	30,048	31,200	32,411	33,675
Balance products/lubricants/pipeline	42,054	44,316	40,179	44,194	45,950	47,348
Sub total	1,92,375	1,88,942	1,87,973	2,05,849	2,38,786	2,53,530
Less: Labour cost	-29,385	-31,935	-31,884	-35,000	-36,750	-38,588
Less: other operational expenses	-56,441	-64,536	-68,056	-65,591	-71,422	-76,640
Sub total	1,06,549	92,471	88,034	1,05,258	1,30,613	1,38,303
Plus: Non-operational items						
Subsidy borne	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inventory in refining	7,410	-29,600	17,710			
Inventory in marketing	6,250	-12,930	53,510			
EBITDA	1,20,209	49,941	1,59,254	1,05,258	1,30,613	1,38,303

Figure 6: HPCL assumptions					
Y/E Mar	2020	2021	2022F	2023F	2024F
HPCL crude throughput (mmt)	17.18	16.42	18.00	23.50	26.00
HPCL reported GRM (US\$/bbl)	1.02	3.86	3.30	5.40	5.50
HPCL ex-inventory GRM (US\$/bbl)	2.32	1.87	3.30	5.40	5.50
Auto fuel volumes (mmt)	24.95	22.54	25.64	26.68	27.57
Auto fuels margins (Rs/kl)	2,439	3,531	3,000	2,676	2,679
Brent crude oil, US\$/bbl	61.00	44.90	60.00	55.00	50.00
Rupee dollar rate year average	70.89	74.23	75.00	75.00	75.00
HMEL refinery throughput (mmt)	12.20	10.08	11.79	12.73	12.73
HMEL GRM (US\$/bbl)	6.22	7.80	8.00	9.00	9.00
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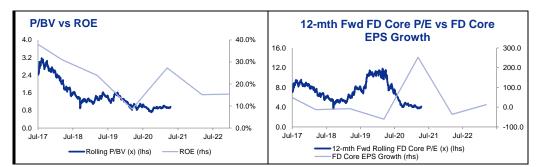
Valuations in 2020 dropped to trough levels due to sharp downturn in refining and large inventory losses. Valuations have since improved as demand has recovered and rising oil prices have resulted in massive inventory gains. Record profits from inventory gains have allowed HPCL to implement buyback and pay generous dividend thereby supporting the stock price.





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(Rs mn)	Mar-20A	Mar-21A	Mar-22F	Mar-23F	Mar-24F
Total Net Revenues	26,90,915	23,32,485	27,70,408	24,55,527	22,68,648
Gross Profit	1,51,614	2,62,935	2,07,557	2,40,135	2,54,522
Operating EBITDA	55,350	1,60,034	1,07,388	1,32,744	1,40,433
Depreciation And Amortisation	(33,699)	(36,255)	(40,613)	(48,194)	(52,983)
Operating EBIT	21,651	1,23,779	66,775	84,550	87,450
Financial Income/(Expense)	(11,389)	(9,633)	(12,261)	(26,091)	(26,963)
Pretax Income/(Loss) from Assoc.	(4,582)	1,387	4,789	7,016	7,290
Non-Operating Income/(Expense)	8,062	26,437	15,525	16,266	17,067
Profit Before Tax (pre-El)	13,743	1,41,970	74,828	81,741	84,844
Exceptional Items					
Pre-tax Profit	13,743	1,41,970	74,828	81,741	84,844
Taxation	12,644	(35,341)	(17,460)	(18,641)	(19,354)
Exceptional Income - post-tax					
Profit After Tax	26,387	1,06,629	57,368	63,100	65,490
Minority Interests					
Preferred Dividends					
FX Gain/(Loss) - post tax					
Other Adjustments - post-tax					
Net Profit	26,387	1,06,629	57,368	63,100	65,490
Recurring Net Profit	26,387	1,06,629	57,368	63,100	65,490
Fully Diluted Recurring Net Profit	26,387	1,06,629	57,368	63,100	65,490

Cash Flow					
(Rs mn)	Mar-20A	Mar-21A	Mar-22F	Mar-23F	Mar-24F
EBITDA	55,350	1,60,034	1,07,388	1,32,744	1,40,433
Cash Flow from Invt. & Assoc.	8,062	26,437	15,525	16,266	17,067
Change In Working Capital	4,395	36,975	9,447	23,070	21,793
(Incr)/Decr in Total Provisions					
Other Non-Cash (Income)/Expense					
Other Operating Cashflow	(22,385)	364	(2,037)	(2,029)	(2,521)
Net Interest (Paid)/Received	(11,389)	(9,633)	(12,261)	(26,091)	(26,963)
Tax Paid	(1,670)	(35,862)	(17,321)	(18,493)	(19,200)
Cashflow From Operations	32,364	1,78,315	1,00,741	1,25,467	1,30,609
Capex	(1,81,917)	(1,21,178)	(1,09,005)	(80,498)	(67,998)
Disposals Of FAs/subsidiaries					
Acq. Of Subsidiaries/investments	1,629	(23,618)	(40,104)	(44,332)	(5,367)
Other Investing Cashflow					
Cash Flow From Investing	(1,80,287)	(1,44,796)	(1,49,109)	(1,24,829)	(73,364)
Debt Raised/(repaid)	1,58,100	(3,159)	88,103	12,427	(44,447)
Proceeds From Issue Of Shares					
Shares Repurchased		(16,356)	(7,625)		
Dividends Paid	(17,251)	(14,721)	(36,759)	(19,934)	(19,934)
Preferred Dividends					
Other Financing Cashflow					
Cash Flow From Financing	1,40,849	(34,236)	43,718	(7,506)	(64,380)
Total Cash Generated	(7,075)	(717)	(4,650)	(6,869)	(7,136)
Free Cashflow To Equity	10,176	30,360	39,734	13,065	12,798
Free Cashflow To Firm	(1,36,535)	43,152	(36,108)	26,729	84,208

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Balance Sheet					
(Rs mn)	Mar-20A	Mar-21A	Mar-22F	Mar-23F	Mar-24F
Total Cash And Equivalents	55,680	56,871	56,871	56,871	56,871
Total Debtors	39,342	44,404	52,754	46,749	43,186
Inventories	1,93,260	2,04,223	2,48,598	2,35,205	2,22,838
Total Other Current Assets	1,26,981	63,180	66,091	67,060	68,049
Total Current Assets	4,15,263	3,68,677	4,24,313	4,05,885	3,90,942
Fixed Assets	6,63,125	7,48,048	8,16,439	8,48,743	8,63,758
Total Investments	90,508	1,14,125	1,54,230	1,98,561	2,03,928
Intangible Assets	167	167	167	167	167
Total Other Non-Current Assets					
Total Non-current Assets	7,53,799	8,62,340	9,70,835	10,47,471	10,67,852
Short-term Debt					
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt					
Total Creditors	3,33,805	3,23,003	3,88,086	3,92,728	3,99,579
Other Current Liabilities					
Total Current Liabilities	3,33,805	3,23,003	3,88,086	3,92,728	3,99,579
Total Long-term Debt	4,40,015	4,36,856	5,24,959	5,37,386	4,92,939
Hybrid Debt - Debt Component					
Total Other Non-Current Liabilities					
Total Non-current Liabilities	4,40,015	4,36,856	5,24,959	5,37,386	4,92,939
Total Provisions	85,436	85,403	85,541	85,689	85,843
Total Liabilities	8,59,256	8,45,262	9,98,586	10,15,803	9,78,361
Shareholders Equity	3,09,806	3,85,755	3,96,562	4,37,552	4,80,433
Minority Interests					
Total Equity	3,09,806	3,85,755	3,96,562	4,37,552	4,80,433
Key Ratios					
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	Mar-20A	Mar-21A	Mar-22F	Mar-23F	Mar-24F
Revenue Growth	(2.3%)	(13.3%)	18.8%	(11.4%)	(7.6%)
Operating EBITDA Growth	(54.4%)	189.1%	(32.9%)	23.6%	5.8%
Operating EBITDA Margin	2.1%	6.9%	3.9%	5.4%	6.2%
Net Cash Per Share (Rs)	(252.22)	(261.37)	(328.75)	(337.48)	(306.27)
BVPS (Rs)	203.31	265.34	278.52	307.31	337.42
Gross Interest Cover	1.90	12.85	5.45	3.24	3.24
Effective Tax Rate		24.9%	23.3%	22.8%	22.8%
Net Dividend Payout Ratio	56.3%	32.2%	35.5%	31.6%	30.4%
Accounts Receivables Days	6.51	6.55	6.40	7.40	7.23
Inventory Days	28.58	35.05	32.25	39.85	41.50
Accounts Payables Days	51.56	57.92	50.64	64.32	71.79
ROIC (%)	2.4%	12.6%	6.3%	7.9%	8.2%
ROCE (%)	4.1%	17.9%	8.9%	10.0%	10.2%
Return On Average Assets	3.1%	9.5%	5.1%	5.8%	5.9%

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