

ICRA Limited

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BSE Limited

Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers Dalal Street Mumbai 400 001, India Scrip Code: 532835

National Stock Exchange of India Limited

Exchange Plaza, Plot no. C/1, G Block Bandra-Kurla Complex Bandra (East)

Mumbai - 400 051, India

Symbol: ICRA

Dear Sir/Madam,

Sub: - Investor Presentation, Q4 FY20

Pursuant to the applicable regulations of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, please find enclosed Investor Presentation, Q4 FY20.

Kindly take the above on record.

Regards,

Sincerely,

(S. Shakeb Rahman) Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Encl.: As above





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Group ICRA Overview



ICRA Nepal-ICRA Lanka

(subsidiaries of ICRA Limited)





ICRA Nepal



First credit rating agency in Nepal



Provides independent credit rating opinions and grading services

ICRA Lanka



Provides independent credit rating opinions and research

ICRA Limited

(parent entity - standalone)





Provides independent credit ratings opinions and research



29+ years of experience and 400+ workforce



10 offices across India

ICRA Analytics

(subsidiary of ICRA Limited)





Provides solutions, analytics and digital platforms for risk management, market data, consulting and knowledge services



20+ years of experience and 600+ workforce



Serving clients across the globe



Certified as a "Great Place to Work"



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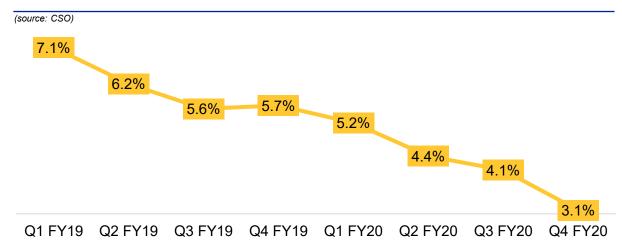
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Deteriorating Economic Environment



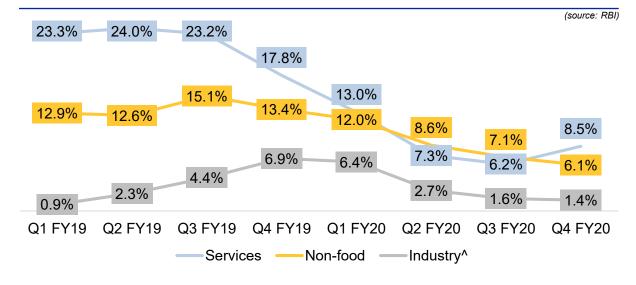




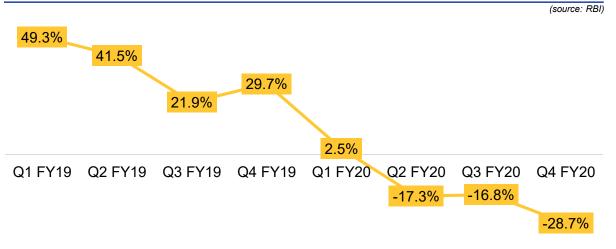
Index of Industrial Production Growth



Bank Credit - YoY Growth*



Outstanding CPs – YoY Growth*



^{*} YoY rise in total outstanding at the end of each quarter

Challenges and Risk Factors



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Economic and social challenges due to covid-19 pandemic

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Despite several policy measures, investment activity yet to show a meaningful revival 03

Reputation-related risks

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Competition from other rating agencies

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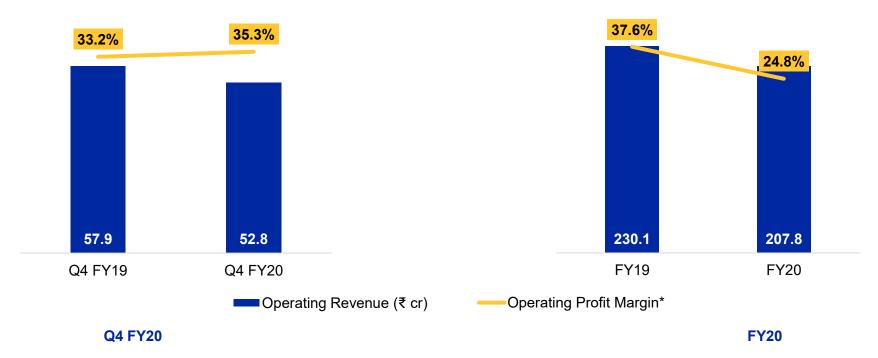
Ability to retain / attract quality manpower, rising compensation and related costs

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Funding substitutes including overseas borrowing or adverse domestic interest rate movements

ICRA Standalone – Financial Performance





For the quarter ended March 31, 2020, the company's operating revenue was ₹52.8 crores, against ₹57.9 crores in the corresponding quarter of the previous year, a decline of 8.9%. Both bank loan and debt market segments remained adversely impacted during the quarter. Other income in the quarter declined marginally on y-o-y basis.

Employee benefit expenses declined in the quarter on y-o-y basis by 24.1% primarily due to true up of variable pay provision for the full year, on account of lower profitability. Other expenses were higher by 5.1% on y-o-y basis, driven by legal & professional charges and additional audit fees incurred due to ongoing regulatory matters and higher CSR spent.

Overall expenses declined by 11.7% on y-o-y basis. Operating profit* for the quarter was at ₹18.6 crores, lower by 3.2%, on y-o-y basis.

After including other income, PBT for the quarter was at ₹28.6 crores, lower by 2.4%, on yo-y basis and PAT was at ₹21.1 crores, higher by 3.9%, due to lower tax rate.

For the financial year ended March 31, 2020, the company's operating income was ₹207.8 crores, lower by 9.7% as against previous financial year.

Operating profit* for the year was at ₹51.5 crores, lower by 40.5%, on y-o-y basis.

After including other income, the company reported a PBT of ₹92.1 crores (29.8% y-o-y decline) and a PAT of ₹65.0 crores (32.3% y-o-y decline).

The profitability during the year was impacted due to decline in revenue and higher expenses on account of legal & professional, additional audit fees and higher CSR spent.

ICRA Standalone – P&L (₹ cr)

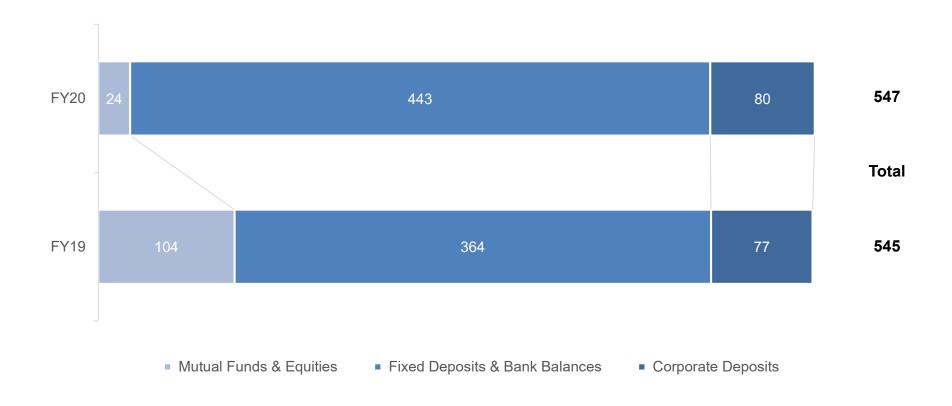


P&L		Q4 FY19	Q4 FY20	Q4 FY20 vs Q4 FY19	FY19	FY20	FY20 vs FY19
Operating Revenue	а	57.9	52.8	-8.9%	230.1	207.8	-9.7%
Compensation Expenses	b1	25.7	19.5	-24.1%	107.4	105.1	-2.2%
Other Expenses	b2	12.2	12.8	5.1%	33.7	44.2	31.0%
Depreciation		0.7	1.3	82.6%	2.4	5.4	120.9%
Finance Costs		0.0	0.4		0.0	1.7	
Total Expenses	b	38.7	34.2	-11.7%	143.6	156.3	8.8%
Operating Profit	c=a-b	19.2	18.6	-3.2%	86.5	51.5	-40.5%
Other Income	d	10.1	10.0	-0.9%	44.5	40.6	-8.9%
Profit Before Tax	e=c+d	29.3	28.6	-2.4%	131.1	92.1	-29.8%
Тах	f	9.0	7.5	-16.7%	35.1	27.1	-22.9%
PAT	g=e-f	20.3	21.1	3.9%	96.0	65.0	-32.3%
Other Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	h	0.0	(0.1)		(0.2)	(0.5)	
Total Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	i=g+h	20.3	20.9	3.0%	95.7	64.4	-32.7%

Other Metrics		Q4 FY19	Q4 FY20	FY19	FY20
Comp Expense %	b1 / a	44.4%	37.0%	46.7%	50.6%
Other Expense %	b2 / a	21.1%	24.3%	14.6%	21.3%
Operating Margin %	c / a	33.2%	35.3%	37.6%	24.8%
Profit Before Tax Margin %	e/a	50.6%	54.2%	57.0%	44.3%
PAT Margin %	g / a	35.0%	40.0%	41.7%	31.3%

ICRA Standalone – Investments (₹ cr)







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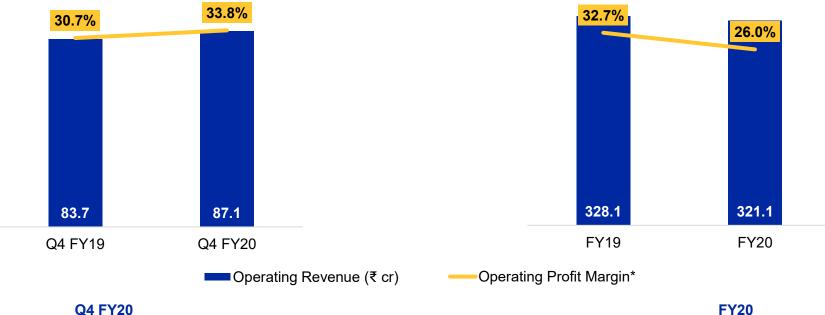
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ICRA Consolidated – Financial Performance





For the quarter ended March 31, 2020, the consolidated operating income (including export incentive) was ₹87.1 crores, a growth of 4.1%, against ₹83.7 crores on y-o-y basis.

Operating profit* for the quarter was at ₹29.4 crores, higher by 14.5%, on y-o-y basis.

After including other income, PBT for the quarter was at ₹41.9 crores, higher by 12.3%, and PAT was at ₹34.9 crores, higher by 32.0% on y-o-y basis, due to lower tax rate and deferred tax adjustment after abolishment of dividend distribution tax.

The growth in consolidated revenue for the quarter ended March 31, 2020 was supported by the growth in consulting and outsourcing & information services business.

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For the financial year ended March 31, 2020, the consolidated operating income was ₹321.1 crores against ₹328.1 crores, reflecting a decline of 2.1%, on y-o-y basis.

Operating profit* for the year was at ₹83.5 crores, lower by 22.1%, on y-o-y basis

After including other income, consolidated PBT was lower by 13.5% and the PAT was lower by 8.2% on y-o-y basis.

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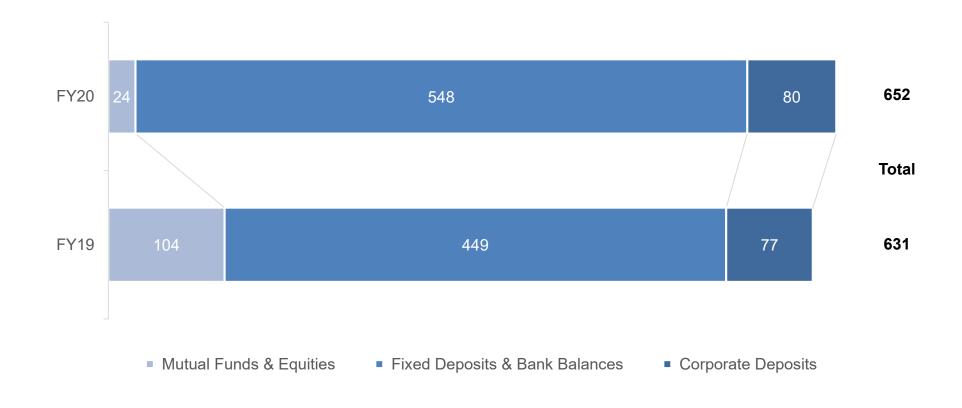


P&L		Q4 FY19	Q4 FY20	Q4 FY20 vs Q4 FY19	FY19	FY20	FY20 vs FY19
Operating Revenue	а	83.7	87.1	4.1%	328.1	321.1	-2.1%
Compensation Expenses	b1	39.8	33.8	-15.1%	160.8	161.7	0.5%
Other Expenses	b2	16.5	20.6	25.4%	54.3	63.6	17.1%
Depreciation		1.6	2.7	63.8%	5.6	10.3	83.0%
Finance Costs		0.0	0.5		0.1	2.0	
Total Expenses	b	58.0	57.7	-0.5%	220.8	237.6	7.6%
Operating Profit	c=a-b	25.7	29.4	14.5%	107.2	83.5	-22.1%
Other Income	d	11.6	12.5	7.3%	44.8	48.0	7.1%
Profit Before Tax	e=c+d	37.3	41.9	12.3%	152.0	131.5	-13.5%
Tax	f	10.9	7.0	-35.4%	46.1	34.2	-25.7%
PAT	g=e-f	26.4	34.9	32.0%	105.9	97.2	-8.2%
Other Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	h	0.1	(0.3)		(0.4)	(0.6)	
Total Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	i=g+h	26.5	34.6	30.3%	105.6	96.6	-8.5%

Other Metrics		Q4 FY19	Q4 FY20	FY19	FY20
Comp Expense %	b1 / a	47.6%	38.9%	49.0%	50.4%
Other Expense %	b2 / a	19.7%	23.7%	16.6%	19.8%
Operating Margin %	c / a	30.7%	33.8%	32.7%	26.0%
Profit Before Tax Margin %	e / a	44.6%	48.1%	46.3%	40.9%
PAT Margin %	g / a	31.6%	40.0%	32.3%	30.3%

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High Impact Research















Thematic Discussions for Industry Participants (8)



Credit outlook for the Indian Tyre Industry

The Indian Autocomponent Industry: Capex in the time slowdown



An Update on Banking and Financial Services Industry:
Rising uncertainties amidst slowing economy to increase challenges for the financial sector

Key takeaways for state governments from the Union Budget FY2021 and Fifteenth Finance Commission's recommendations

Indian Road Sector: Trends and Outlook

Credit Outlook for the Indian fertiliser sector amid increasing urea production and tightening regulatory regime

Industry grapples with weak demand

Top ITES Exporter Award









ICRA Online (now known as ICRA Analytics) was recognized as the top exporter for ITES exports from West Bengal for FY19 in the category of companies with export revenue in the range of ₹25 crores to ₹100 crores

Software Technology Parks of India (STPI), is a society set up by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India in 1991, with the objective of encouraging, promoting and boosting the software exports from India

Social Impact – Promoting Self-Reliance





Contributed ₹1.25 crores to the PM CARES Fund. These funds are being used for most critical activities like testing, setting up of isolation wards, ventilators, etc.



Facilitated education to more than 1,300 students by mainstreaming them into formal system of learning



Conserved water by restoring 25 acre of lake under our environment sustainability program



Imparted skill training to more than 2,852 youth and women with 70% employment facilitation under our skill development programs



Sponsoring a class of 30 residential students to meet their living and education needs



In light of recent super cyclone Amphan, we are extending our support in rebuilding a school's infrastructure



Empowering and helping develop skills of the youth in India



Office sessions to give the students an initial exposure of work environment



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