RESULT UPDATE

KEY DATA

Rating	REDUCE
Sector relative	Neutral
Price (INR)	684
12 month price target (INR)	574
52 Week High/Low	721/394
Market cap (INR bn/USD bn)	973/11.5
Free float (%)	0.0
Avg. daily value traded (INR mn)	2,045.5

SHAREHOLDING PATTERN

	Sep-24	Jun-24	Mar-24
Promoter	38.12%	38.12%	38.12%
FII	27.44%	27.19%	24.47%
DII	18.79%	18.43%	20.79%
Pledge	0%	0%	0%

In-line performance; valuation rich

In light of another strong guidance of 16%-plus RevPAR growth in the hotel segment, we believe IHCL's LFL growth may be capped in early teens in FY25E, which is lower than our previous estimate. We have also been factoring in double-digit LFL growth each for FY26E and FY27E, which leaves little room to ratchet it up further.

Considering the elevated ask rate, we are revising FY25E/26E/27E revenue by -2%/-3%/-3% and EBITDA by -3%/-3%/+1%. Furthermore, taking cognisance of the recent run-up, we are downgrading IHCL to 'REDUCE (from 'HOLD') with a revised SotP-based target price of INR574.

FINANCIALS (INR mn) Voor to March

rear to March	F124A	FTZSE	FTZOE	F12/E
Revenue	67,688	83,283	96,516	1,06,482
EBITDA	21,571	26,877	32,028	35,866
Adjusted profit	12,591	17,121	20,902	23,648
Diluted EPS (INR)	8.8	12.0	14.7	16.6
EPS growth (%)	nm	70.4	66.0	38.1
RoAE (%)	14.2	17.2	17.5	0
P/E (x)	77.3	56.8	46.6	41.1
EV/EBITDA (x)	39.9	31.2	26.7	0
Dividend yield (%)	0	0	0	0

CHANGE IN ESTIMATES

	Revised e	stimates	% Revi	sion
Year to March	FY25E	FY26E	FY25E	FY26E
Revenue	83,283	96,516	-2.5%	-2.6%
EBITDA	26,877	32,028	-2.7%	-2.8%
Adjusted profit	17,121	20,902	-7.6%	-7.4%
Diluted EPS (INR)	12.0	14.7	-7.7%	-7.5%

PRICE PERFORMANCE



October kicks off with 16% RevPAR surge, even as costs climb

Consolidated revenue came in at INR18.3bn, +27% YoY. Excluding TajSATS and Ginger Santacruz, consolidated revenue grew by 14% YoY—including 13% (estimated) growth in room revenue and 16% growth in F&B. RevPAR for LFL domestic hotels improved 12% YoY, propelling standalone revenue by 13% YoY (excluding Ginger Santacruz). Standalone revenue rose 16% YoY to INR10.3bn. EBITDA/PAT improved 26%/62% YoY. Subsidiaries fared better, clocking 15% YoY revenue growth with UOH/Roots registering 25%/31% YoY growth.

Amid all the positives, LFL cost continues to rise ~10% YoY, both on a standalone and consolidated basis, which leaves little room for slippage if RevPAR undershoots.

Management fee income stood at INR1,000mn in Q2FY25 versus INR870mn in Q2FY24. Management fee per room per quarter came in at INR73,148 in Q2FY25 versus INR70,617 in Q2FY24, up 3.6% YoY.

International business: UOH witnessed 25% YoY revenue growth driven *The Pierre*.

Current portfolio: 350 hotels with 42,584 rooms, including 232 operating hotels containing 25,230 rooms. Current room pipeline is 17,354.

Key positives: Management hopes to carry October's momentum (+16% RevPAR growth YoY) through the rest of Q3. Expect to negotiate double-digit hikes in the negotiated business for the next cycle. Expects margin to inch up. Management will divulge the SeaRock project details in the next 100 days.

Key negatives: Reduced disclosures on standalone, international portfolio and non-LFL hotels' KPIs.

Financials

Year to March	Q2FY25	Q2FY24	% Change	Q1FY25	% Change
Net Revenue	18,261	14,332	27.4	15,502	17.8
EBITDA	5,013	3,548	41.3	4,496	11.5
Adjusted Profit	5,546	1,669	232.2	2,484	123.3
Diluted EPS (INR)	0.0	1.2	(100.0)	0.0	

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Financial Statements

Income Statement (INR mn)

Year to March	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Total operating income	67,688	83,283	96,516	1,06,482
Gross profit	62,479	76,875	89,089	98,289
Employee costs	18,052	21,654	25,094	27,685
Other expenses	22,856	28,344	31,967	34,737
EBITDA	21,571	26,877	32,028	35,866
Depreciation	4,543	4,933	5,279	5,668
Less: Interest expense	2,202	2,086	2,209	2,348
Add: Other income	1,829	2,027	2,237	2,474
Profit before tax	17,942	23,468	28,611	32,349
Prov for tax	4,639	5,471	6,694	7,581
Less: Other adj	0	0	0	0
Reported profit	12,591	17,121	20,902	23,648
Less: Excp.item (net)	0	0	0	0
Adjusted profit	12,591	17,121	20,902	23,648
Diluted shares o/s	1,423	1,423	1,423	1,423
Adjusted diluted EPS	8.8	12.0	14.7	16.6
DPS (INR)	0	0	0	0
Tax rate (%)	25.9	23.3	23.4	23.4

Balance Sheet (INR mn)

Year to March	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Share capital	1,423	1,423	1,423	1,423
Reserves	93,143	1,08,129	1,26,185	1,46,274
Shareholders funds	94,567	1,09,553	1,27,608	1,47,698
Minority interest	6,721	7,596	8,611	9,731
Borrowings	2,605	2,138	2,138	2,138
Trade payables	5,194	8,023	8,848	9,784
Other liabs & prov	12,864	15,176	17,159	18,684
Total liabilities	1,47,334	1,69,654	1,93,281	2,18,816
Net block	61,397	65,203	68,764	72,941
Intangible assets	12,258	12,228	12,134	12,035
Capital WIP	2,310	2,310	2,310	2,310
Total fixed assets	75,965	79,740	83,208	87,286
Non current inv	15,371	15,371	15,371	15,371
Cash/cash equivalent	14,855	27,611	43,178	60,372
Sundry debtors	4,765	6,845	7,933	8,752
Loans & advances	1,047	1,047	1,047	1,047
Other assets	10,018	14,433	18,684	22,873
Total assets	1,47,334	1,69,654	1,93,281	2,18,816

Important Ratios (%)

Year to March	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
EBITDA margin (%)	31.9	32.3	33.2	33.7
Net profit margin (%)	18.6	20.6	21.7	22.2
Revenue growth (% YoY)	16.5	23.0	15.9	10.3
EBITDA growth (% YoY)	19.5	24.6	19.2	12.0
Adj. profit growth (%)	25.6	36.0	22.1	13.1

Free Cash Flow (INR mn)

Year to March	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Reported profit	12,591	17,121	20,902	23,648
Add: Depreciation	4,543	4,933	5,279	5,668
Interest (net of tax)	1,633	1,600	1,692	1,798
Others	0	0	0	0
Less: Changes in WC	0	0	0	0
Operating cash flow	15,677	29,125	34,567	38,695
Less: Capex	(6,797)	(8,000)	(8,000)	(9,000)
Free cash flow	8,880	21,125	26,567	29,695

Assumptions (%)

Year to March	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
GDP (YoY %)	6.9	6.0	6.2	0
Repo rate (%)	6.5	6.0	5.0	0
USD/INR (average)	83.0	84.0	82.0	0
EBITDA margin - Sub (%)	4.7	4.3	4.0	3.7

Key Ratios

Year to March	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
RoE (%)	14.2	17.2	17.5	0
RoCE (%)	19.0	21.7	22.0	0
Inventory days	76	76	74	80
Receivable days	20	25	24	27
Payable days	318	364	345	397
Working cap (% sales)	(3.0)	(0.8)	1.9	4.1
Gross debt/equity (x)	0	0	0	0
Net debt/equity (x)	(0.1)	(0.2)	(0.3)	(0.4)
Interest coverage (x)	7.7	10.5	12.1	12.9

Valuation Metrics

Year to March	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
Diluted P/E (x)	77.3	56.8	46.6	41.1
Price/BV (x)	10.3	8.9	7.6	6.6
EV/EBITDA (x)	39.9	31.2	26.7	0
Dividend yield (%)	0	0	0	0

Source: Company and Nuvama estimates

Valuation Drivers

Year to March	FY24A	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E
EPS growth (%)	nm	70.4	66.0	38.1
RoE (%)	14.2	17.2	17.5	0
EBITDA growth (%)	19.5	24.6	19.2	12.0
Payout ratio (%)	0	0	0	0

Q2FY25 conference call takeaways

Q2FY25

- Signed 23/42 hotels and opened 6/14 hotels in Q2FY25/YTDOct24, crossed the milestone of 350 hotels (including pipeline). It plans to open 25 hotels in FY25.
- Gateway was launched in a fresh new avatar to capture growth in tier-2 and -3 cities and emerging central business districts in metros. The idea is to expand the portfolio to 100 hotels by 2030 from current 22 hotels.
- Signed brand license agreement with Claridges Hotels Pvt Ltd (CHPL) to license
 the brand 'The Claridge' and 'Claridge Collection' for India and Nepal. 'THE
 CLARIDGES' has a strong luxury positioning with marquee presence in New Delhi.
 Starting 1st April 2025, IHCL will manage 'THE CLARIDGES' New Delhi as part of
 this arrangement.
- IHCL has entered into a Share Subscription & Purchase agreement and a shareholders agreement to acquire ~55% in Rajscape Hotels Pvt Ltd for an investment not exceeding INR180mn, which owns the brand 'Tree of Life Resorts & Hotels'. IHCL already has a marketing & distribution tie-up for Tree of Life. It currently has 19 properties spread across 16 locations clocking INR240mn in revenue.
- EBITDA and PAT losses in UOH reduced by USD17bn each.
- Mumbai market led the domestic micro-markets with 25% RevPAR growth along with 27% growth in Kerala and 20% growth in Kolkata. New Delhi had a high base clocking 2% RevPAR growth. Goa was the only market that witnessed a RevPAR decline (-1% YoY), as several assets were under renovation.
- Qmin is expanding into Westside stores in SIS format.
- Free cash flows of INR2,190mn in Q2. Gross cash in hand of INR24.6bn.

Outlook

- The wedding industry is poised for a rebound due to an increased number of auspicious wedding dates between Nov-24 and Mar-25.
- The company has experienced a promising beginning to Q3, with a 17% year-over-year hotels revenue in October. Management anticipates this positive trend to persist throughout the remainder of the quarter.
- Guidance of double-digit revenue growth for FY25 is maintained, excluding the TajSATS.
- In the international portfolio, demand in New York remained strong in October as well, whereas Maldives and Sri Lanka were soft.

Exhibit 1: Quarterly snapshot - Consolidated

Particulars (INR mn)	Q2FY25	Q2FY24	YoY%	Q1FY25	QoQ (%)	6MFY25	6MFY24	YoY (%)
Net Sales	18,261	14,332	27	15,502	18	33,764	28,996	16
Operating expenses:								
Food & beverages consumed	1,740	1,124	55	1,143	52	2,883	2,278	27
Other expenses	6,283	5,255	20	5,259	19	11,542	10,376	11
Employee cost	5,225	4,405	19	4,605	13	9,830	8,692	13
Total Expenditure	13,249	10,784	23	11,006	20	24,255	21,346	14
EBITDA	5,013	3,548	41	4,496	11	9,509	7,650	24
Other Income	641	477	34	460	39	1,101	970	14
Depreciation	1,249	1,112	12	1,173	7	2,422	2,203	10.0
EBIT	4,404	2,912	51	3,784	16	8,188	6,417	28
Interest	522	591	(12)	499	5	1,021	1,156	(12)
PBT before exceptional items	3,882	2,322	67	3,285	18	7,167	5,261	36
Exceptional items	3,074	-		-		3,074	-	
PAT after exceptional items	6,956	2,322	200	3,285	112	10,241	5,261	95
Total Tax	1,224	723	69	943	30	2,166	1,556	39
Reported PAT	5,732	1,599	258	2,342	145	8,074	3,705	118
Minority interest + Share of profit from associates	(186)	70		142		(45)	189	
Total PAT	5,546	1,669	232	2,484	123	8,030	3,894	106
Adjusted PAT	2,472	1,669	48	2,484		4,956	3,894	27
EPS	3.9	1.2	232	1.7	124	5.6	2.7	106
Margins			bps		bps			bps
Gross Margin (%)	90.5%	92.2%	(169)	92.6%	(216)	91.5%	92.1%	(68)
EBITDA Margin (%)	27.5%	24.8%	270	29.0%	(155)	28.2%	26.4%	178
EBIT Margin (%)	24.1%	20.3%	380	24.4%	(29)	24.3%	22.1%	212
PAT Margin (%)	21.3%	16.2%	506	21.2%	7	21.2%	18.1%	308
Tax Rate (%)	17.6%	31.1%	(1,354)	28.7%	(1,111)	21.2%	29.6%	(842)
Adj PAT Margin (%)	13.5%	11.6%	189	16.0%	(248)	14.7%	13.4%	125

Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 2: IHCL standalone KPIs

IHCL Standalone	Q1FY22	Q2FY22	Q3FY22	Q4FY22	Q1FY23	Q2FY23	Q3FY23	Q4FY23	Q1FY24	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25
Occupancy	28.4%	56.6%	66.6%	58.4%	70.4%	70.0%	72.1%	74.7%	74.7%	75.9%	76.8%	79.1%	76.0%	78.0%
ARR	7,024	8,273	11,348	10,569	11,397	11,003	15,456	16,915	12,614	12,972	18,111	17,546	12,906	14,321
Revpar	1,992	4,679	7,559	6,176	8,021	7,681	11,137	12,634	9,428	9,840	13,918	13,885	9,810	11,163
Room Revenue (Rs mn)	880	1,990	3,110	2,500	3,250	3,180	4,520	4,990	3,770	4,000	5,750	6,000	4,130	NA
F&B	650	1,650	2,840	2,000	2,810	2,840	4,000	4,170	3,200	3,150	4,570	4,710	3,040	NA

Exhibit 3: Key subsidiaries, JVs and associates

Revenue (INR mn)	Q3FY22	Q4FY22	Q1FY23	Q2FY23	Q3FY23	Q4FY23	Q1FY24	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25
UOH Inc USA	1,100	670	1,680	1,480	2,220	1,200	1,840	1,420	2,170	1,280	2,040	1,780
St James Court	540	520	1,100	1,170	1,120	790	1,420	1,430	1,260	830	1,360	1,510
Piem	970	770	1,130	1,060	1,420	1,430	1,220	1,190	1,630	1,650	1,260	1,350
Roots Corp	550	510	700	730	820	820	780	840	1,040	1,080	1,000	1,100
Benares Hotels	193	162	200	180	290	280	260	270	340	370	240	260
Taj SATS			1,320	1,430	1,730	1,930	2,050	2,130	2,330	2,490	2,410	2,540
Oriental Hotels	793	685	911	913	1,070	1,156	940	930	1,070	1,100	830	1,040
EBITDA (INR mn)												
UOH Inc USA	80	-360	180	-30	320	-350	50	-270	170	-530	100	-100
St James Court	170	-20	350	350	250	10	490	470	380	40	440	500
Piem	170	50	260	200	440	400	250	230	540	550	280	310
Roots Corp	200	150	270	260	320	300	270	280	400	410	340	360
Benares Hotels	117	104	80	60	130	110	100	110	170	160	100	110
Taj SATS			190	230	360	490	500	520	600	680	590	620
Oriental Hotels	228	140	272	258	340	360	230	220	340	300	130	250
EBITDA Margin (%)												
UOH Inc USA	7.3	-53.7	10.7	-2.0	14.4	-29.2	2.7	-19.0	7.8	-41.4	4.9	-5.6
St James Court	31.5	-3.8	31.8	29.9	22.3	1.3	34.5	32.9	30.2	4.8	32.4	33.1
Piem	17.5	6.5	23.0	18.9	31.0	28.0	20.5	19.3	33.1	33.3	22.2	23.0
Roots Corp	36.4	29.4	38.6	35.6	39.0	36.6	34.6	33.3	38.5	38.0	34.0	32.7
Benares Hotels	60.6	64.3	40.0	33.3	44.8	39.3	38.5	40.7	50.0	43.2	41.7	42.3
Taj SATS			14.4	16.1	20.8	25.4	24.4	24.4	25.8	27.3	24.5	24.4
Oriental Hotels	28.7	20.4	29.9	28.3	31.8	31.1	24.5	23.7	31.8	27.3	15.7	24.0
PAT Margin (%)												
UOH Inc USA					5.9	-70.0	-9.2	-34.5	-1.8	-57.0	-5.4	-18.0
St James Court					6.3	7.6	15.5	11.9	10.3	6.0	13.2	15.2
Piem					17.6	25.2	8.2	6.7	17.8	16.4	7.9	9.6
Roots Corp					15.9	70.7	7.7	7.1	15.4	14.8	10.0	10.0
Benares Hotels					27.6	53.4	23.1	25.9	32.4	32.4	25.0	26.9
Taj SATS					13.3	29.5	16.6	16.4	18.0	18.1	16.2	15.7
Oriental Hotels	9.3	2.0	12.6	12.1	15.0	13.4	7.4	4.3	17.8	18.2	-1.2	5.8

Exhibit 4: Current inventory and pipeline

Brands	Operational hotels (Rooms)	Pipeline Hotels (Rooms)	Total Hotels (Rooms)
Taj	82 (12,302)	39 (6,912)	121 (19,214)
Vivanta	30 (4,062)	20 (2,933)	60 (5,955)
SeleQtions	25 (1,893)	13 (1,521)	38 (3,414)
Ginger	70 (6,164)	30 (3,933)	100 (10,097)
Gateway	8 (591)	14 (1,997)	22 (2,588)
Tree of Life	17 (218)	2 (58)	19 (276)
Total	232 (25,230)	118 (17,354)	350 (42,584)
	Operational hotels (Rooms)	Pipeline Hotels (Rooms)	Total Hotels (Rooms)
Ownership	119 (14,145)	28 (3,532)	147 (17,677)
Management Contract	113 (11,085)	90 (13,822)	205 (25,177)

Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 5: Portfolio pipeline

Brands	FY25	FY26	FY27	Beyond FY27	Total
TAJ					
IHCL & Group	112	233		279	624
Management Contracts	535	773	1,929	3,051	6,288
Vivanta					
IHCL & Group		125			125
Management Contracts		1,213	450	1,145	2,808
Seleqtions					
Management Contracts	386	721		414	1,521
Gateway					
Management Contracts		571	585	841	1,997
Ginger					
IHCL & Group	421	150	529	1,683	2,783
Management Contracts	45		100	1,005	1,150
Tree of Life					
Management Contracts	33			25	58
By Contract					
IHCL & Group	533	508	529	1,962	3,532
Management Contracts	999	3,278	3,064	6,481	13,822
Total	1,532	3,786	3,593	8,443	17,354

Exhibit 6: IHCL network - occupancy by city

Occ (%)	Q4FY20	Q1FY23	Q2FY23	Q3FY23	Q4FY23	Q1FY24	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25	LFL-YoY increase (pp)
Mumbai	69.0	82.0	81.0	84.0	88.0	86.0	85.0	85.0	89.0	85.0	83.0	0.0
Delhi & NCR	66.0	67.0	73.0	76.0	76.0	76.0	79.0	80.0	82.0	82.0	84.0	2.0
Bengaluru	55.0	77.0	73.0	66.0	68.0	77.0	79.0	71.0	73.0	78.0	79.0	0.0
Goa	73.0	80.0	73.0	80.0	84.0	77.0	73.0	79.0	80.0	81.0	76.0	-1.0
Chennai	60.0	70.0	74.0	72.0	74.0	73.0	78.0	75.0	79.0	75.0	81.0	1.0
Rajasthan	53.0	37.0	45.0	59.0	61.0	42.0	50.0	60.0	65.0	36.0	61.0	8.0
Kolkata	57.0	76.0	72.0	75.0	69.0	71.0	75.0	77.0	79.0	75.0	76.0	5.0
Total Domestic	59.0	68.0	66.0	71.0	71.0	70.0	69.0	72.0	75.0	76.0	77.0	2.0

Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 7: IHCL network – ARR trend by city

ARR												LFL-YoY increase
	Q4FY20	Q1FY23	Q2FY23	Q3FY23	Q4FY23	Q1FY24	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25	(%)
Mumbai (Rs)	11,544	10,567	10,064	13,334	14,959	12,222	11,865	17,000	16,555	13,100	15,500	25.0
Delhi & NCR (Rs)	7,145	6,960	6,684	8,702	9,446	8,273	9,349	10,600	11,027	10,000	12,050	0.0
Bengaluru (Rs)	7,869	7,554	8,083	9,143	11,074	8,532	8,648	10,000	10,245	9,300	9,700	11.0
Goa (Rs)	14,394	14,801	14,407	21,730	20,873	14,336	13,561	19,000	19,391	14,200	14,350	1.0
Chennai (Rs)	6,188	6,496	6,820	7,557	8,399	7,321	7,560	8,600	8,850	5,200	5,750	4.0
Rajasthan (Rs)	21,974	15,009	14,953	27,193	27,945	14,472	16,102	32,500	33,158	18,000	18,400	0.0
Kolkata (Rs)	6,972	6,056	6,041	7,575	8,448	6,698	6,091	9,000	8,698	7,900	8,100	12.0
Total Domestic (Rs)	8,594	8,423	8,049	10,737	11,554	9,381	9,176	12,600	12,582	9,900	10,800	9.0

Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 8: IHCL network - Revpar trend

D												LFL-YoY
Revpar	Q4FY20	Q1FY23	Q2FY23	Q3FY23	Q4FY23	Q1FY24	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25	increase
Mumbai (Rs)	7,698	8,625	8,182	11,151	13,096	10,502	10,101	14,400	14,672	11,100	12,900	25.0
Delhi & NCR (Rs)	4,695	4,646	4,886	6,578	7,200	6,286	7,352	8,500	9,055	8,200	10,200	2.0
Bengaluru (Rs)	4,290	5,816	5,866	6,061	7,585	6,593	6,856	7,100	7,483	7,200	7,650	11.0
Goa (Rs)	10,489	11,807	10,480	17,394	17,618	11,094	9,945	14,900	15,509	11,400	10,850	-1.0
Chennai (Rs)	3,705	4,551	5,029	5,457	6,192	5,351	5,861	6,400	7,032	3,900	4,650	6.0
Rajasthan (Rs)	11,606	5,598	6,766	16,063	17,006	6,112	7,977	19,600	21,435	6,500	11,250	14.0
Kolkata (Rs)	4,006	4,601	4,366	5,706	5,859	4,779	4,580	6,900	6,899	5,900	6,450	20.0
Total Domestic (Rs)	5,112	5,727	5,347	7,588	8,184	6,549	6,350	9,000	9,431	7,500	8,350	12.0

Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 9: Revenue contribution by type of traveller

Room Revenue (Non-Ginger)	Q2FY20	Q3FY20	Q4FY20	Q1FY23	Q2FY23	Q3FY23	Q4FY23	Q1FY24	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25
Transient	53	49	46	58	59	57	51	58	59	57	56	59	58
Corporate	16	16	12	11	12	11	9	11	12	11	11	12	12
MICE	15	16	19	16	15	17	23	16	15	17	17	13	17
Long Stay	5	3	4	4	4	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
Leisure	7	9	12	8	7	9	10	9	7	9	9	9	7
Groups	2	5	5	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	1
Crew	3	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

Exhibit 10: Non-Ginger portfolio — Contribution by channel

Room Revenue (Ginger) (%)	Q2FY20	Q3FY20	Q4FY20	Q1FY23	Q2FY23	Q3FY23	Q4FY23	Q1FY24	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25	Q2FY25
Hotels Reservation Office (A)	48.0	50.0	49.0	50.0	48.0	51.0	53.0	48.0	46.0	48.0	49.0	44.0	46.0
Taj Reservation Worldwide (B)	11.0	14.0	16.0	7.0	6.0	7.0	7.0	8.0	7.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.0
Global Distribution System	9.0	8.0	6.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	6.0
Alternative Distribution System	24.0	20.0	20.0	24.0	26.0	24.0	23.0	25.0	27.0	25.0	24.0	26.0	26.0
Taj Website (C)	8.0	8.0	8.0	14.0	15.0	13.0	12.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	16.0	15.0
Direct channel (A+B+C)	67.0	72.0	73.0	71.0	69.0	71.0	72.0	70.0	67.0	70.0	71.0	68.0	68.0

Source: Company, Nuvama Research

Exhibit 11: IHCL valuation - Sum of the parts

	Label	Criteria	Factor	Ownership/ Shares Held	Value (Rs m)	TTMSep'26 Valuation (Rs m)	Per share value
Owned Asset	Α	18 x EBITDA	EBITDA		18,042	3,24,758	228
Managed Asset	В	22 x EBITDA	EBITDA		5,320	1,17,037	82
New Businesses	С	20 x EBITDA	EBITDA		2,341	46,818	33
Piem Hotels	D	18 x EBITDA	EBITDA	58.7%	2,602	27,481	19
Benares Hotels	E	30% discount to (Debt+Market value of investments)		51.7%	11,875	4,296	3
Oriental Hotels	F	Market Value		35.7%	32,041	11,429	8
TajGVK Hotels & Resort	G	Market Value		25.5%	20,165	5,146	4
TajSATS	н	18 x EBITDA	EBITDA	51.0%	3,064	28,131	20
Roots Corporation	I	20 x EBITDA	EV	100.0%	2,246	44,928	32
St James Court	J	16 x EBITDA	EBITDA	76.9%	1,391	17,106	12
Other International Subs	K	Book Value				28,182	20
US subs cash loss	L	OCF			(160)	(1,217)	(0.9)
Tata Sons stake	М	30% discount to (NW+Market value of investments)		1.1%	1,09,32,937	1,21,734	
EV (Rs. m)	N=Sum (A:M)				. , ,	7,75,829	
Net Debt (Rs. m)	0					(40,529)	-28
Valuation of Equity (Rs. m)	P=N-O					8,16,358	
Number of Shares Outstanding (m)	Q					1,423	
Fair Value	R=P/Q					574	
СМР	S					684	
Upside	T=R/S-1					-16.1%	

Company Description

IHCL, incorporated in 1902, is among India's largest hotel operators with a presence in the luxury, business and leisure hotel segments. The company manages ~18,000 rooms (~150 properties) across India and international locations. It entered the budget hotel segment with Ginger in 2004 and also has a presence in adventure tourism with wildlife lodges. In international markets, IHCL is present via operations in Maldives, the US, South Africa, the Middle East, UK and Malaysia. International operations contribute ~30% to group sales (~15% of inventory).

Investment Theme

The hotel sector merrily sprang towards a faster-than expected full recovery in FY23 and a record Q1FY24 driven by: i) sustained domestic leisure travel demand, reviving domestic corporate and a strong wedding season in H1FY23; and ii) potential full recovery for the international business and leisure travel in H2FY23. IHCL has stronger immediate triggers — leisure demand, wedding season and a buoyant Mumbai market.

Key Risks

Any earlier-than-expected resurrection in the industry or sale of noncore assets to pare debt may prompt a relook at our view/assumptions.

Additional Data

Management

CEO	Puneet Chhatwal	
CFO	Giridhar Sanjeevi	
coo		
Other		
Auditor	BSR & Co.	

Recent Company Research

Date	Title	Price	Reco
20-Jul-24	Soft performance; guidance unchanged; <i>Result Update</i>	578	Hold
24-Apr-24	Stable showing; stepping up capex; Result Update	608	Hold
02-Feb-24	Firm showing; sustainability key; Result Update	500	Hold

Holdings – Top 10*

	% Holding		% Holding
HDFC AMC	3.71	Franklin Resour	1.38
Axis AMC	2.84	HDFC Life	1.31
Nippon	2.77	Republic of Sin	1.17
Blackrock	2.42	Canara Robeco A	1.17
Vanguard	2.35	SBI Funds Manag	1.16

^{*}Latest public data

Recent Sector Research

Date	Name of Co./Sector	Title
19-Aug-24	Leisure & Hotels	A pit-stop quarter; Sector Update
09-Aug-24	LEMON TREE HOTEL	Renovations and Aurika hurt margins; Result Update
03-Jun-24	LEMON TREE HOTEL	Performance in line; stable showing; Result Update

Rating and Daily Volume Interpretation



Source: Bloomberg, Nuvama research

Rating Rationale & Distribution: Nuvama Research

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Rating	Expected absolute returns over 12 months	Rating Distribution	
Buy	15%	224	
Hold	<15% and >-5%	62	
Reduce	<-5%	27	

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