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# **Company Update**

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#### **Change in Estimates**

|                | Cur    | rent   | Prev  | vious |
|----------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
|                | FY26E  | FY27E  | FY26E | FY27E |
| Rating         | SE     | LL     | SI    | ELL   |
| Target Price   | 3      | 21     | 3     | 19    |
| Sales (Rs. m)  | 3,500  | 3,591  | 3,944 | 4,007 |
| % Chng.        | (11.3) | (10.4) |       |       |
| EBITDA (Rs. m) | 202    | 189    | 201   | 180   |
| % Chng.        | 0.3    | 4.9    |       |       |
| EPS (Rs.)      | 55.3   | 51.6   | 54.8  | 48.0  |
| % Chng.        | 1.0    | 7.4    |       |       |

#### **Key Financials - Consolidated**

| Y/e Mar         | FY24    | FY25   | FY26E | FY27E |
|-----------------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Sales (Rs. bn)  | 4,339   | 4,341  | 3,500 | 3,591 |
| EBITDA (Rs. bn) | 249     | 166    | 202   | 189   |
| Margin (%)      | 5.7     | 3.8    | 5.8   | 5.3   |
| PAT (Rs. bn)    | 160     | 67     | 118   | 110   |
| EPS (Rs.)       | 75.2    | 31.6   | 55.3  | 51.6  |
| Gr. (%)         | (329.4) | (57.9) | 74.8  | (6.8) |
| DPS (Rs.)       | 21.0    | 10.5   | 13.9  | 12.1  |
| Yield (%)       | 5.1     | 2.6    | 3.4   | 3.0   |
| RoE (%)         | 40.4    | 13.7   | 21.2  | 17.1  |
| RoCE (%)        | 18.5    | 9.1    | 10.9  | 8.9   |
| EV/Sales (x)    | 0.3     | 0.4    | 0.4   | 0.4   |
| EV/EBITDA (x)   | 6.0     | 9.3    | 7.2   | 7.9   |
| PE (x)          | 5.4     | 13.0   | 7.4   | 8.0   |
| P/BV (x)        | 1.9     | 1.7    | 1.5   | 1.3   |

| Key Data            | HPCL.BO   HPCL IN    |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| 52-W High / Low     | Rs.457 / Rs.288      |
| Sensex / Nifty      | 82,331 / 25,020      |
| Market Cap          | Rs.873bn/ \$ 10,202m |
| Shares Outstanding  | 2,128m               |
| 3M Avg. Daily Value | Rs.2376.79m          |
|                     |                      |

#### Shareholding Pattern (%)

| Promoter's              | 54.90 |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Foreign                 | 12.55 |
| Domestic Institution    | 23.56 |
| Public & Others         | 8.99  |
| Promoter Pledge (Rs bn) |       |
|                         |       |

# Stock Performance (%)

|          | 1M    | 6M   | 12M  |
|----------|-------|------|------|
| Absolute | 5.1   | 10.1 | 23.3 |
| Relative | (1.6) | 3.8  | 10.3 |
|          |       |      |      |

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# Hindustan Petroleum Corporation (HPCL IN) Rating: SELL | CMP: Rs410 | TP: Rs321

## HRRL to witness poor ROCE

### **Quick Pointers:**

- Brent rises to +USD65/bbl, would lower gross marketing margins on auto fuels
- Upcoming HRRL would have poor ROCE of ~3%

HRRL or Barmer refinery, in which HPCL has 74% stake, has witnessed cost escalation from Rs431bn projected in FY18 to Rs718bn currently. The project with 9mmtpa of refining capacity and 2.4mmtpa of petrochemicals is likely to throw poor ROCE of  $\sim$ 3% due to high depreciation and interest burden thereof. Additionally, Brent appears to be rising, which means gross marketing margins on auto fuels have peaked. Threat of further hike in excise duty on auto fuel also remains. Structurally, the high marketing leverage that HPCL used to enjoy vis-à-vis refining, is likely to decline with rising refining capacity. There is no inclination on compensation of LPG under-recoveries. The stock trades at 1.4x FY26 PBV, much higher than long term one-year forward average of 1.1x, including the period of FY15-18, the era which witnessed no pricing intervention in auto fuels. We value the stock at 1x FY27 PBV and reiterate our Sell recommendation for the stock. Sustained low Brent remains the biggest risk to our recommendation.

HRRL- cost escalation has put financials under risk: With GRM of USD10/bbl for refining and Petrochem spread of USD300/mt, we estimate that ROCE of HRRL will be ~3%. Even with guidance of USD20/bbl and opex of USD5/bbl, both including the effect of Petrochem, the ROCE stands at 3.5% only. Even without holding company discount and after including the benefit of Rs11.23bn of interest free loan for 15yrs, HRRL's contribution towards valuation of HPCL would be meagre Rs17-25.

Delay in slurry hydrocracker at Vizag: The project was initially expected to be completed by CY22-end. Pre-commissioning activities have started only recently with management guiding feed intake in Q2FY26. However, as we have been maintaining, this is a unique project with only few installations globally. As a result, the benefit of USD3-4/bbl over Vizag refinery may take even longer to fructify.

Valuation and recommendation: HPCL trades at 1.4x FY26 PBV, much higher than long term average of 1.1x. However, Brent has already risen to USD65/bbl despite two tranches of 411kbopd production hike by OPEC+. This has been driven by 1) expected production disruption in Venezuela and Iran due to rising sanctions, 2) shutdowns in Canada, Mexico and Norway, and 3) marginal cost of production at ~USD70/bbl. We expect Brent to stabilize in USD70-80/bbl. Recent regional geopolitical risks also raise the risk of excise duty hike at the expense of the OMCs. We value the company at Rs321, valuing it at 1x FY27 PBV. We reiterate our Sell rating on the stock. Key risk to our recommendation is sustained low Brent oil price.



## Exhibit 1: Poor profitability of HRRL

| GRM (USD/bbl)   10   20   As per latest guidance including the effect of petrochem     Opex   3   5   including the effect of petrochem     Opex   3   5   including the effect of petrochem     Opex   3   5   including the effect of petrochem     Opex   39.3   85   including the effect of petrochem     PEDIDA (Rs bn)   39.3   84.1   including the effect of petrochem     Petchem (mmt)   2.4   Including the effect of petrochem   including the effect of petrochem     Petchem (mmt)   300   At current spread   Including the effect of petrochem     Opex (USD/mmt)   300   At current spread   Including the effect of petrochem     Opex (USD/mmt)   100   Including the effect of petrochem   Including the effect of petrochem     Total EBITDA (Rs bn)   80.1   84.1   Including the effect of petrochem     Depreciation (25 years) (Rs bn)   28.7   28.7   Including the effect of petrochem     Interest (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3   Including the effect of petrochem   |  | Methodology 1 |  | Methodology 2 |                         |
|---|--|---------------|--|---------------|-------------------------|
| Appendix the series of the series o | Refining (mmt)   |               | out of which 2.4mmt<br>of feedstock would go |               |                         |
| Opex35USD/INR8585USD/INR86184.1Petchem (nmt)2.4Petchem (Spread (USD/mmt))300At current spreadOpex (USD/mmt)10084.1Depreciation (Zs years) (Rs bn)86.786.7Total EBITDA (Rs bn)50.350.3PAT (Rs bn)50.350.3PAT (Rs bn)50.350.3PAT (Rs bn)50.350.3PAT (Rs bn)50.350.3PAT (Rs bn)50.350.3Equity (Rs bn)50.350.3Equity (Rs bn)215215Eatif (Rs bn)29.833.9ROCE (%)3.050.4Eatif (Rs bn)50.250.26Eatif (Rs bn)52.01.5Eatif (Rs bn)52.01.5Shares ofs (mn)2.128.01.2Value (Rs bn)11.211.2Cost of capital (Rs bn)71.171.1PhitCL's stake (%)74.074.0Value (Rs bn)71.171.1PhitCL's stake (%)74.074.0Value (Rs bn)71.171.1PhitCL's stake (%)74.074.0Rs bn <t< td=""><td>GRM (USD/bbl)</td><td>10</td><td></td><td>20</td><td>including the effect of</td></t<>   | GRM (USD/bbl)  | 10            |  | 20            | including the effect of |
| EBITDA (Rs bn)     39.3     84.1       Pet-haphtha Spread (USD/mmt)     300     At current spread       Opex (USD/mmt)     100  | Opex   | 3             |  | 5             | 1                       |
| Petchem     2.4       Petchaphtha Spread (USD/mmt)     300     At current spread       Opex (USD/mmt)     100       EBITDA (Rs bn)     80.1     84.1       Deprecision (25 years) (Rs bn)     28.7     28.7       Interest (Rs bn)     50.3     50.3       PAT (Rs bn)     11     51       Capex (Rs bn)     503     503       PAT (Rs bn)     503     503       PAT (Rs bn)     503     503       Pat (Rs bn)     51     215       Capex (Rs bn)     215     215       EBIT (Rs bn)     29.8     33.9       ROCE (%)     31     post tax     3.5       Post tax     3.5     post tax       Valuation for HPCL     502.6     502.6       EV/EBITDA (x)     6.0     6.0       Target EV (Rs bn)     502.6     502.6       Target EV (Rs bn)     215.     1.5       Shares o/s (mn)     212.8.0     2.128.0       Value (Rs/share)     -1     1.2       Cost of capital (%)     7   | USD/INR  | 85            |  | 85            |                         |
| PE-Naphtha Spread (USD/mmt)   300   At current spread     Opex (USD/mmt)   100     EBITDA (Rs bn)   80.1   84.1     Depraciation (25 years) (Rs bn)   28.7   28.7     Total EBITDA (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     PAT (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     Capex (Rs bn)   11   5.1     Capex (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     Capex (Rs bn)   50.4   50.4     Capex (Rs bn)   6.0   6.0     Target EV (Rs bn)   50.2   50.2     Capex (Rs bn)   12.8   5  | EBITDA (Rs bn)   | 39.3          |  | 84.1          |                         |
| Opex (USD/mmt)     100       EBITDA (Rs bn)     40.8       Total EBITDA (Rs bn)     80.1     84.1       Depreciation (25 years) (Rs bn)     28.7     28.7       Interest (Rs bn)     50.3     50.3       PAT (Rs bn)     1.1     5.1       Capex (Rs bn)     718     718       Debt (Rs bn)     50.3     50.3       Equity (Rs bn)     215     215       Equity (Rs bn)     215     215       Equity (Rs bn)     29.8     33.9       ROCE (%)     3.1     post tax     35.9       Value for HPCL     Value for MPCL     50.3     post tax       Value for Solo     6.0     33.9     post tax       Value for MPCL     50.4     50.4.7     50.4.7       Debt (Rs bn)     502.6     502.6     502.6       Target EV (Rs bn)     480.3     50.4.7     50.4.5       Debt (Rs bn)     2,128.0     2,128.0     2,128.0       Value (Rs (share)     -8     1     50.4.5       Value (Rs (share)     -8   | Petchem (mmt)  | 2.4           |  |               |                         |
| EBITDA (Rs bn)   40.8     Total EBITDA (Rs bn)   80.1   84.1     Depreciation (25 years) (Rs bn)   28.7   28.7     Interest (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     PAT (Bs bn)   50.3   50.3     Par (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     Par (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     Capex (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     Debt (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     Edit (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     Debt (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     Edit (Rs bn)   718   718     Debt (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     ROCE (%)   215   50.2     Target KV (Rs bn)   50.2   post tax     Target EV (Rs bn)   50.2   502.6     Target EV (Rs bn)   50.2   50.2     Target EV (Rs bn)   74.0   74.0     Mkt cap (re HPCL without holding company discourt (Rs bn)   1.6   1.     Company discourt (Rs bn)   2.128.0   2.128.0   2.128.0     Value (Rs/share)   -8   8   1.     Cot capital (%)   8   8  | PE-Naphtha Spread (USD/mmt)                                  | 300           | At current spread                            |               |                         |
| Total EBITDA (Rs bn)     80.1     84.1       Depreciation (25 years) (Rs bn)     28.7     28.7       Interest (Rs bn)     50.3     50.3       PAT (Rs bn)     1.1     5.1       Capex (Rs bn)     718     718       Debt (Rs bn)     503     503       Equity (Rs bn)     215     215       EBIT (Rs bn)     29.8     33.9       ROCE (%)     3.1     post tax     3.5     post tax       Valuation for HPCL     EV/EBITDA (x)     6.0     6.0     6.0       Target EV (Rs bn)     502.6     502.6     502.6     502.6       Target EV (Rs bn)     502.6     502  | Opex (USD/mmt)   | 100           |  |               |                         |
| Depreciation (25 years) (Rs bn)     28.7     28.7       Interest (Rs bn)     50.3     50.3       PAT (Rs bn)     11     50.3       Capex (Rs bn)     718     718       Debt (Rs bn)     50.3     50.3       Equity (Rs bn)     50.3     50.3       ROCE (%)     3.1     post tax     3.5       Valuation for HPCL     EV/EBITDA (x)     6.0     6.0       Target EV (Rs bn)     480.3     504.7       Debt (Rs bn)     502.6     502.6       Target Mt cap (Rs bn)     502.6     502.6       Target Mt cap (Rs bn)     74.0     74.0       MMt cap for HPCL without holding<br>company discount (Rs bn)     716.5     1.5       Shares o/s (rmn)     2.128.0     2.128.0       Value (Rs/share)     74.0     74.0       Value (Rs/share)     71.1     71.1       HPCL's stake (%)     74.0     74.0  | EBITDA (Rs bn)   | 40.8          |  |               |                         |
| Interest (Rs bn)   50.3   50.3     PAT (Rs bn)   1.1   5.1     Capex (Rs bn)   718   718     Debt (Rs bn)   503   503     Equity (Rs bn)   215   215     Equity (Rs bn)   215   215     Edit (Rs bn)   29.8   33.9     ROCE (%)   3.1   post tax   3.5   post tax     Value for HPCL   Value (Rs bn)   502.6   502.6   502.6     Target EV (Rs bn)   6.0   502.6  | Total EBITDA (Rs bn)   | 80.1          |  | 84.1          |                         |
| PAT (Rs bn)   1.1   5.1     Capex (Rs bn)   718   718     Debt (Rs bn)   503   503     Equity (Rs bn)   503   215     EBIT (Rs bn)   29.8   33.9     ROCE (%)   3.1   post tax     Valuation for HPCL   502   502.6     EV/EBITDA (x)   6.0   6.0     Target EV (Rs bn)   502.6   502.6     Target Rs bn)   502.6   502.6     Target Rt cap (Rs bn)   5.23   2.11     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Mkt cap for HPCL without holding company discount (Rs bn)   -16.5   1.5     Shares ofs (m)   2.128.0   2.128.0   2.128.0     Value (Rs/share)   -8   1   11     Cost of capital (%)   8   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1   71.1   71.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0   74.0     Value (Rs/share)   25   25.6   25.6     Value (Rs/share)   52.6   25.6   25.6     Value (Rs/share)   25.2   25  | Depreciation (25 years) (Rs bn)                              | 28.7          |  | 28.7          |                         |
| Capex (Rs bn)     718     718       Debt (Rs bn)     503     503       Equity (Rs bn)     503     215       Equity (Rs bn)     215     215       EBIT (Rs bn)     29.8     33.9       ROCE (%)     3.1     post tax     3.5       Post (Rs bn)     29.8     3.3.9       ROCE (%)     3.1     post tax     3.5       Valuation for HPCL     6.0     6.0       Target EV (Rs bn)     480.3     504.7       Debt (Rs bn)     502.6     502.6       Target Rk (Rs bn)     502.6     502.6       Target Rk (Rs bn)     -22.3     2.1       PhCL's stake (%)     74.0     74.0       Mkt cap for HPCL without holding count (Rs bn)     -16.5     1.5       Shares ofs (m)     2.128.0     2.128.0       Value (Rs/share)     -8     1       Value (Rs/share)     -8     8       NPV (Rs bn)     11.2     11.2       Cost of capital (%)     8     8       NPV (Rs bn)     74.0     74.0<   |  | 50.3          |  | 50.3          |                         |
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| Debt (Rs bn)   503   503     Equity (Rs bn)   215   215     EBIT (Rs bn)   29.8   33.9     ROCE (%)   3.1   post tax   33.9     PROCE (%)   3.1   post tax   35.9     Valuation for HPCL   502   6.0   6.0     EV/EBITDA (x)   6.0   6.0   6.0     Target EV (Rs bn)   502.6   502.6   502.6     Target RS bn)   502.4   2.1   11.2     Debt (Rs bn)   502.6   1.5   1.5     Shares o/s (mn)   2.128.0   2.128.0   2.1     VAlue (Rs/share)   -8   1   11.2     Value (Rs/share)   -8   1   11.2     Value (Rs/share)   -8   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1   71.1   11.2     Cost of capital (%)   8   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1   71.1   71.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0   74.0     Value (Rs/share)   22.6   22.6   22.6     Value (Rs/share) <t< td=""><td>Capex (Rs bn)</td><td>718</td><td></td><td>718</td><td></td></t<>   | Capex (Rs bn)  | 718           |  | 718           |                         |
| Equity (Rs bn)   215     EBIT (Rs bn)   29.8   33.9     ROCE (%)   3.1   post tax     Valuation for HPCL   7   7     EV/EBITDA (x)   6.0   6.0     Target EV (Rs bn)   480.3   504.7     Debt (Rs bn)   502.6   502.6     Target EV (Rs bn)   502.6   502.6     Target EV (Rs bn)   74.0   74.0     MKt cap (Rs bn)   -22.3   2.1     HPCL'stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Mkt cap (Rs bn)   2.128.0   2.128.0     Value (Rs/share)   2.1   11.2     Shares o/s (mn)   2.128.0   2.128.0     Value (Rs/share)   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   11.2   11.2     Cost of capital (%)   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1   71.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Value (Rs/share)   25   25.6   |  |               |  |               |                         |
| EBIT (Rs bn)     29.8     33.9       ROCE (%)     3.1     post tax     3.5     post tax       Valuation for HPCL     Valuation for HPCL     Valuation for HPCL     Valuation for HPCL       EV/EBITDA (x)     6.0     6.0     6.0       Target EV (Rs bn)     480.3     504.7       Debt (Rs bn)     502.6     502.6       Target mkt cap (Rs bn)     -22.3     2.1       HPCL's stake (%)     74.0     74.0       Mkt cap for HPCL without holding company discount (Rs bn)     2.128.0     2.128.0       Valuation of interest free loan     1     1       Amount per yr (Rs bn)     11.2     11.2       Cost of capital (%)     8     8       NPV (Rs bn)     71.1     71.1       HPCL's stake (%)     74.0     74.0       Rs bn     52.6     52.6       Value (Rs/share)     25     25  |  |               |  |               |                         |
| ROCE (%)   3.1   post tax   3.5   post tax     Valuation for HPCL     EV/EBITDA (x)   6.0   6.0     Target EV (Rs bn)   480.3   504.7     Debt (Rs bn)   502.6   502.6     Target EW (Rs bn)   -22.3   2.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Mkt cap for HPCL without holding<br>company discount (Rs bn)   2128.0   2.128.0     Shares o/s (mn)   2128.0   2.128.0     Value (Rs/share)   -8   1     Value (Rs/share)   -8   1     Mount per yr (Rs bn)   11.2   11.2     Cost of capital (%)   74.0   74.0     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1   71.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Rs bn   52.6   52.6     Value (Rs/share)   25   25     Total value (Rs/share)   17   25  |  | 213           |  | LIS           |                         |
| Valuation for HPCL       EV/EBITDA (x)     6.0     6.0       Target EV (Rs bn)     480.3     504.7       Debt (Rs bn)     502.6     502.6       Target EW (Rs bn)     -22.3     2.1       HPCL's stake (%)     74.0     74.0       Mkt cap for HPCL without holding<br>company discount (Rs bn)     -16.5     1.5       Shares o/s (mn)     2,128.0     2,128.0       Value (Rs/share)     -8     1       Valuation of interest free loan       Amount per yr (Rs bn)     11.2     11.2       Cost of capital (%)     8     8       NPV (Rs bn)     71.1     71.1       HPCL's stake (%)     74.0     25       Value (Rs/share)     25     25   |  |               |  |               |                         |
| EV/EBITDA (x)   6.0   6.0     Target EV (Rs bn)   480.3   504.7     Debt (Rs bn)   502.6   502.6     Target mkt cap (Rs bn)   -22.3   2.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Mkt cap for HPCL without holding company discount (Rs bn)   -16.5   1.5     Shares o/s (mn)   2,128.0   2,128.0     Value (Rs/share)   2,128.0   2,128.0     Value (Rs/share)   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   11.2   11.2     Cost of capital (%)   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1   71.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Rs bn   52.6   52.6     Value (Rs/share)   25   25  | ROCE (%)   | 3.1           | post tax                                     | 3.5           | post tax                |
| Target EV (Rs bn)   480.3   504.7     Debt (Rs bn)   502.6   502.6     Target mkt cap (Rs bn)   -22.3   2.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Mkt cap for HPCL without holding<br>company discount (Rs bn)   -16.5   1.5     Shares o/s (mn)   2,128.0   2,128.0     Value (Rs/share)   -8   1     Valuation of interest free loan     Monunt per yr (Rs bn)   11.2     Cost of capital (%)   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1   71.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Rs bn   52.6   52.6     Value (Rs/share)   25   25     Total value (Rs/share)   17   25   | Valuation for HPCL   |               |  |               |                         |
| Deb (Rs bn)     502.6     502.6       Target mkt cap (Rs bn)     -22.3     2.1       HPCL's stake (%)     74.0     74.0       Mkt cap for HPCL without holding<br>company discount (Rs bn)     -16.5     1.5       Shares o/s (mn)     2,128.0     2,128.0       Value (Rs/share)     -8     1       Valuation of interest free loan       Amount per yr (Rs bn)     11.2       Cost of capital (%)     8     8       NPV (Rs bn)     71.1     71.1       HPCL's stake (%)     74.0     74.0       Rs bn     52.6     52.6       Value (Rs/share)     25     25   | EV/EBITDA (x)  | 6.0           |  | 6.0           |                         |
| Target mkt cap (Rs bn)   -22.3   2.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Mkt cap for HPCL without holding company discount (Rs bn)   -16.5   1.5     Shares o/s (mn)   2,128.0   2,128.0     Value (Rs/share)   -8   1     Value (Rs/share)   -8   1     Value (Rs/share)   11.2   11.2     Cost of capital (%)   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1   71.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   25     Value (Rs/share)   25   25  | Target EV (Rs bn)  | 480.3         |  | 504.7         |                         |
| HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Mkt cap for HPCL without holding company discount (Rs bn)   -16.5   1.5     Shares o/s (mn)   2,128.0   2,128.0     Value (Rs/share)   -8   1     Value (Rs/share)   -8   1     Valuation of interest free loan     Amount per yr (Rs bn)   11.2   11.2     Cost of capital (%)   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1   71.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Rs bn   52.6   52.6     Value (Rs/share)   25   25  | Debt (Rs bn)   | 502.6         |  | 502.6         |                         |
| Mkt cap for HPCL without holding company discount (Rs bn)   -16.5   1.5     Shares o/s (mn)   2,128.0   2,128.0     Value (Rs/share)   -8   1     Value (Rs/share)   -8   1     Valuation of interest free loan     Valuation of interest free loan     Amount per yr (Rs bn)   11.2   11.2     Cost of capital (%)   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1   71.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Rs bn   52.6   52.6     Value (Rs/share)   25   25   | Target mkt cap (Rs bn)                                       | -22.3         |  | 2.1           |                         |
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| Valuation of interest free loan     Amount per yr (Rs bn)   11.2     Cost of capital (%)   8   8     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1   71.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Rs bn   52.6   52.6     Value (Rs/share)   25   25  | Shares o/s (mn)  | 2,128.0       |  | 2,128.0       |                         |
| Amount per yr (Rs bn)   11.2     Cost of capital (%)   8     NPV (Rs bn)   71.1     HPCL's stake (%)   74.0     Rs bn   52.6     Value (Rs/share)   25     Total value (Rs/share)   | Value (Rs/share)   | -8            |  | 1             |                         |
| Cost of capital (%)     8     8       NPV (Rs bn)     71.1     71.1       HPCL's stake (%)     74.0     74.0       Rs bn     52.6     52.6       Value (Rs/share)     25     25   | Valuation of interest free loan                              |               |  |               |                         |
| Cost of capital (%)     8     8       NPV (Rs bn)     71.1     71.1       HPCL's stake (%)     74.0     74.0       Rs bn     52.6     52.6       Value (Rs/share)     25     25   | Amount per yr (Rs bn)  | 11.2          |  | 11.2          |                         |
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| HPCL's stake (%)   74.0   74.0     Rs bn   52.6   52.6     Value (Rs/share)   25   25     Total value (Rs/share)   17   25  |  |               |  |               |                         |
| Rs bn     52.6     52.6       Value (Rs/share)     25     25       Total value (Rs/share)     17     25   |  |               |  |               |                         |
| Value (Rs/share) 25 25   Total value (Rs/share) 17 25   |  |               |  |               |                         |
|   |  |               |  |               |                         |
|   | Total value (Rs/share)                                       | 17            |  | 25            |                         |
|   |  |               |  | -             |                         |

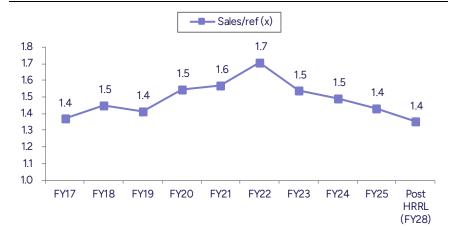


## Exhibit 2: HMEL is a stark reminder of poor profitability

|                     |       |       |       | -     | -     |       |       |       |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| HMEL conso (Rs bn)  | FY17  | FY18  | FY19  | FY20  | FY21  | FY22  | FY23  | FY24  |
| EBITDA              | 65.7  | 45.5  | 44.2  | 18.7  | 21.5  | 63.3  | 77.7  | 73.4  |
| Depr                | 11.4  | 11.4  | 12.1  | 11.3  | 10.3  | 10.8  | 11.1  | 18.2  |
| EBIT                | 54.3  | 34.1  | 32.1  | 7.4   | 11.2  | 52.5  | 66.6  | 55.1  |
| Interest cost       | 10.7  | 11.5  | 13.4  | 13.1  | 9.2   | 10.0  | 13.1  | 28.1  |
| Other income        | 0.1   | 0.1   | 0.1   | 0.5   | 0.5   | 0.4   | 0.8   | 0.6   |
| PBT                 | 43.7  | 22.6  | 18.8  | -5.1  | 2.6   | 42.9  | 54.3  | 27.6  |
| Тах                 | 11.6  | 5.6   | 4.6   | -3.6  | -0.6  | 28.3  | 11.8  | 6.2   |
| ETR (%)             | 26.6  | 24.6  | 24.2  | 70.9  | -23.9 | 66.0  | 21.6  | 22.4  |
| PAT                 | 32.1  | 17.1  | 14.2  | -1.5  | 3.2   | 14.6  | 42.5  | 21.4  |
| Total assets        | 322.8 | 351.1 | 417.4 | 488.0 | 538.3 | 626.5 | 686.8 | 695.4 |
| Current liabilities | 72.2  | 88.3  | 92.5  | 80.0  | 76.4  | 140.7 | 151.7 | 182.5 |
| Capital Employed    | 250.6 | 262.8 | 324.9 | 408.0 | 461.9 | 485.8 | 535.1 | 512.9 |
| ROCE (%)            | 15.9  | 9.8   | 7.5   | 0.5   | 3.0   | 3.7   | 9.8   | 8.3   |
|                     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |

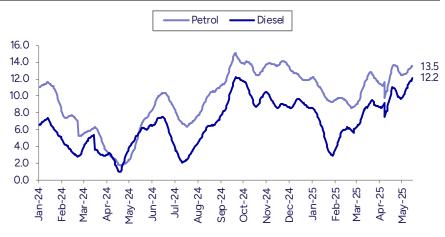
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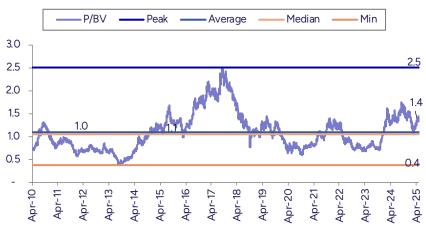
## Exhibit 4: Marketing margins have risen but seem to have peaked



Source: Company, PL







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# **Financials**

| Income Statement (Rs bn)      |         |        |        |       |
|-------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| Y/e Mar                       | FY24    | FY25   | FY26E  | FY27E |
| Net Revenues                  | 4,339   | 4,341  | 3,500  | 3,591 |
| YoY gr. (%)                   | (1.6)   | 0.1    | (19.4) | 2.6   |
| Cost of Goods Sold            | 3,876   | 3,949  | 3,075  | 3,173 |
| Gross Profit                  | 463     | 392    | 426    | 418   |
| Margin (%)                    | 10.7    | 9.0    | 12.2   | 11.6  |
| Employee Cost                 | -       | -      | -      | -     |
| Other Expenses                | 213     | 227    | 224    | 229   |
| EBITDA                        | 249     | 166    | 202    | 189   |
| YoY gr. (%)                   | (445.9) | (33.6) | 22.0   | (6.4) |
| Margin (%)                    | 5.7     | 3.8    | 5.8    | 5.3   |
| Depreciation and Amortization | 56      | 62     | 67     | 68    |
| EBIT                          | 193     | 104    | 135    | 121   |
| Margin (%)                    | 4.5     | 2.4    | 3.9    | 3.4   |
| Net Interest                  | 26      | 34     | 26     | 27    |
| Other Income                  | 19      | 21     | 29     | 34    |
| Profit Before Tax             | 187     | 91     | 138    | 128   |
| Margin (%)                    | 4.3     | 2.1    | 4.0    | 3.6   |
| Total Tax                     | 45      | 23     | 40     | 37    |
| Effective tax rate (%)        | 24.0    | 24.8   | 28.6   | 28.8  |
| Profit after tax              | 142     | 69     | 99     | 91    |
| Minority interest             | (18)    | 1      | (19)   | (19)  |
| Share Profit from Associate   | -       | -      | -      | -     |
| Adjusted PAT                  | 160     | 67     | 118    | 110   |
| YoY gr. (%)                   | (329.4) | (57.9) | 74.8   | (6.8) |
| Margin (%)                    | 3.7     | 1.6    | 3.4    | 3.1   |
| Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)     | -       | -      | -      | -     |
| Reported PAT                  | 160     | 67     | 118    | 110   |
| YoY gr. (%)                   | -       | -      | -      | -     |
| Margin (%)                    | 3.7     | 1.6    | 3.4    | 3.1   |
| Other Comprehensive Income    | -       | -      | -      | -     |
| Total Comprehensive Income    | -       | -      | -      | -     |
| Equity Shares O/s (bn)        | 2       | 2      | 2      | 2     |
| EPS (Rs)                      | 75.2    | 31.6   | 55.3   | 51.6  |

Source: Company Data, PL Research

| Balance | Sheet | Abstract | (Rs bn) |
|---------|-------|----------|---------|
|         |       |          |         |

| Y/e Mar                       | FY24  | FY25  | FY26E | FY27E |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Non-Current Assets            |       |       |       |       |
| Gross Block                   | 1,120 | 1,245 | 1,320 | 1,420 |
| Tangibles                     | 1,120 | 1,245 | 1,320 | 1,420 |
| Intangibles                   | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Acc: Dep / Amortization       | 325   | 387   | 457   | 525   |
| Tangibles                     | 325   | 387   | 457   | 525   |
| Intangibles                   | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Net fixed assets              | 795   | 859   | 862   | 894   |
| Tangibles                     | 795   | 859   | 862   | 894   |
| Intangibles                   | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Capital Work In Progress      | 201   | 180   | 289   | 369   |
| Goodwill                      | 3     | 3     | 3     | 3     |
| Non-Current Investments       | 295   | 270   | 270   | 270   |
| Net Deferred tax assets       | (69)  | (77)  | (77)  | (77)  |
| Other Non-Current Assets      | 45    | 40    | 40    | 40    |
| Current Assets                |       |       |       |       |
| Investments                   | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Inventories                   | 342   | 383   | 235   | 241   |
| Trade receivables             | 93    | 118   | 54    | 56    |
| Cash & Bank Balance           | 5     | 3     | 107   | 118   |
| Other Current Assets          | 35    | 40    | 40    | 40    |
| Total Assets                  | 1,827 | 1,947 | 1,953 | 2,083 |
| Equity                        |       |       |       |       |
| Equity Share Capital          | 14    | 21    | 21    | 21    |
| Other Equity                  | 455   | 490   | 578   | 662   |
| Total Networth                | 469   | 511   | 600   | 684   |
| Non-Current Liabilities       |       |       |       |       |
| Long Term borrowings          | 628   | 664   | 698   | 739   |
| Provisions                    | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Other non current liabilities | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Current Liabilities           |       |       |       |       |
| ST Debt / Current of LT Debt  | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Trade payables                | 273   | 298   | 182   | 187   |
| Other current liabilities     | 387   | 397   | 397   | 397   |
| Total Equity & Liabilities    | 1,827 | 1,947 | 1,953 | 2,083 |

Source: Company Data, PL Research

| PL Capital | INSTITUTIONAL<br>EQUITIES |
|------------|---------------------------|
|------------|---------------------------|

## Cash Flow (Rs bn)

| Y/e Mar                        | FY24  | FY25  | FY26E | FY27E |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| PBT                            | 205   | 90    | 157   | 147   |
| Add. Depreciation              | 56    | 62    | 67    | 68    |
| Add. Interest                  | 26    | 34    | 26    | 27    |
| Less Financial Other Income    | 19    | 21    | 29    | 34    |
| Add. Other                     | (17)  | (2)   | -     | -     |
| Op. profit before WC changes   | 269   | 183   | 250   | 242   |
| Net Changes-WC                 | (28)  | (44)  | 96    | (3)   |
| Direct tax                     | (3)   | 4     | (40)  | (37)  |
| Net cash from Op. activities   | 239   | 142   | 306   | 202   |
| Capital expenditures           | (99)  | (96)  | (180) | (180) |
| Interest / Dividend Income     | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Others                         | (31)  | (31)  | -     | -     |
| Net Cash from Invt. activities | (130) | (127) | (180) | (180) |
| Issue of share cap. / premium  | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Debt changes                   | (100) | 26    | 33    | 42    |
| Dividend paid                  | (21)  | (23)  | (30)  | (26)  |
| Interest paid                  | (41)  | (44)  | (26)  | (27)  |
| Others                         | 51    | 25    | -     | -     |
| Net cash from Fin. activities  | (111) | (17)  | (22)  | (11)  |
| Net change in cash             | (2)   | (1)   | 104   | 11    |
| Free Cash Flow                 | 239   | 142   | 306   | 202   |

| Y/e Mar                    | FY24  | FY25  | FY26E | FY27E |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Per Share(Rs)              |       |       |       |       |
| EPS                        | 75.2  | 31.6  | 55.3  | 51.6  |
| CEPS                       | 101.5 | 60.6  | 86.7  | 83.6  |
| BVPS                       | 220.5 | 240.3 | 281.7 | 321.2 |
| FCF                        | 112.1 | 66.9  | 143.9 | 95.1  |
| DPS                        | 21.0  | 10.5  | 13.9  | 12.1  |
| Return Ratio(%)            |       |       |       |       |
| RoCE                       | 18.5  | 9.1   | 10.9  | 8.9   |
| ROIC                       | 10.6  | 5.3   | 7.3   | 6.2   |
| RoE                        | 40.4  | 13.7  | 21.2  | 17.1  |
| Balance Sheet              |       |       |       |       |
| Net Debt : Equity (x)      | 1.3   | 1.3   | 1.0   | 0.9   |
| Net Working Capital (Days) | 14    | 17    | 11    | 11    |
| Valuation(x)               |       |       |       |       |
| PER                        | 5.4   | 13.0  | 7.4   | 8.0   |
| P/B                        | 1.9   | 1.7   | 1.5   | 1.3   |
| P/CEPS                     | 4.0   | 6.8   | 4.7   | 4.9   |
| EV/EBITDA                  | 6.0   | 9.3   | 7.2   | 7.9   |
| EV/Sales                   | 0.3   | 0.4   | 0.4   | 0.4   |
| Dividend Yield (%)         | 5.1   | 2.6   | 3.4   | 3.0   |

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## **Key Operating Metrics**

| Y/e Mar                          | FY24 | FY25 | FY26E | FY27E |
|----------------------------------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Crude (US\$/bbl)                 | 83.3 | 78.9 | 71.3  | 75.0  |
| GRM (US\$/bbl)                   | 9.1  | 5.6  | 6.0   | 7.0   |
| Refining throughput (mmtpa)      | 22.3 | 25.3 | 24.0  | 24.0  |
| Gross Marketing Margins (Rs/ltr) | 5.5  | 4.4  | 4.9   | 4.4   |
| Marketing Sales (mmtpa)          | 46.4 | 49.8 | 51.8  | 52.8  |

Source: Company Data, PL Research

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## Quarterly Financials (Rs bn)

| Y/e Mar                      | Q1FY25 | Q2FY25 | Q3FY25 | Q4FY25 |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Net Revenue                  | 1,067  | 916    | 1,021  | 1,007  |
| YoY gr. (%)                  | (4.7)  | 3.2    | (2.0)  | (6.4)  |
| Raw Material Expenses        | 1,064  | 919    | 983    | 979    |
| Gross Profit                 | 3      | (2)    | 37     | 27     |
| Margin (%)                   | 0.3    | (0.3)  | 3.7    | 2.7    |
| EBITDA                       | 21     | 27     | 60     | 58     |
| YoY gr. (%)                  | (77.9) | (66.8) | 175.9  | 20.8   |
| Margin (%)                   | 2.0    | 3.0    | 5.8    | 5.8    |
| Depreciation / Depletion     | 15     | 15     | 15     | 16     |
| EBIT                         | 6      | 12     | 45     | 42     |
| Margin (%)                   | 0.6    | 1.3    | 4.4    | 4.2    |
| Net Interest                 | 7      | 9      | 9      | 7      |
| Other Income                 | 6      | 6      | 5      | 8      |
| Profit before Tax            | 5      | 8      | 40     | 43     |
| Margin (%)                   | 0.4    | 0.9    | 3.9    | 4.3    |
| Total Tax                    | 1      | 2      | 10     | 9      |
| Effective tax rate (%)       | 24.5   | 24.4   | 24.6   | 22.1   |
| Profit after Tax             | 4      | 6      | 30     | 34     |
| Minority interest            | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Share Profit from Associates | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Adjusted PAT                 | 4      | 6      | 30     | 34     |
| YoY gr. (%)                  | (94.3) | (87.7) | 471.4  | 18.0   |
| Margin (%)                   | 0.3    | 0.7    | 3.0    | 3.3    |
| Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)    | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Reported PAT                 | 4      | 6      | 30     | 34     |
| YoY gr. (%)                  | (94.3) | (87.7) | 471.4  | 18.0   |
| Margin (%)                   | 0.3    | 0.7    | 3.0    | 3.3    |
| Other Comprehensive Income   | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Total Comprehensive Income   | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Avg. Shares O/s (bn)         | 2      | 2      | 2      | 2      |
| EPS (Rs)                     | 1.7    | 3.0    | 14.2   | 15.8   |

## Hindustan Petroleum Corporation



## **Hindustan Petroleum Corporation**

## **Price Chart**



| No. | Date      | Rating     | TP (Rs.) | Share Price (Rs.) |
|-----|-----------|------------|----------|-------------------|
| 1   | 07-May-25 | Sell       | 319      | 397               |
| 2   | 22-Apr-25 | Sell       | 322      | 395               |
| 3   | 08-Apr-25 | Hold       | 322      | 353               |
| 4   | 25-Feb-25 | Hold       | 319      | 319               |
| 5   | 24-Jan-25 | Hold       | 373      | 353               |
| 6   | 08-Jan-25 | Hold       | 391      | 386               |
| 7   | 09-Dec-24 | Hold       | 392      | 399               |
| 8   | 26-Oct-24 | Accumulate | 412      | 372               |
| 9   | 07-Oct-24 | Sell       | 362      | 394               |
| 10  | 30-Jul-24 | Sell       | 340      | 396               |

**Recommendation History** 

## **Analyst Coverage Universe**

| Sr. No. | Company Name                        | Rating     | TP (Rs) | Share Price (Rs) |
|---------|-------------------------------------|------------|---------|------------------|
| 1       | Aarti Industries                    | Reduce     | 394     | 449              |
| 2       | Bharat Petroleum Corporation        | Reduce     | 267     | 311              |
| 3       | Bharti Airtel                       | Accumulate | 1,988   | 1,834            |
| 4       | Clean Science and Technology        | Hold       | 1,224   | 1,167            |
| 5       | Deepak Nitrite                      | Reduce     | 1,645   | 1,835            |
| 6       | Fine Organic Industries             | BUY        | 4,930   | 4,176            |
| 7       | GAIL (India)                        | Hold       | 191     | 184              |
| 8       | Gujarat Fluorochemicals             | Reduce     | 3,328   | 3,671            |
| 9       | Gujarat Gas                         | Hold       | 395     | 393              |
| 10      | Gujarat State Petronet              | Hold       | 288     | 288              |
| 11      | Hindustan Petroleum Corporation     | Sell       | 319     | 397              |
| 12      | Indian Oil Corporation              | Reduce     | 122     | 143              |
| 13      | Indraprastha Gas                    | Sell       | 150     | 185              |
| 14      | Jubilant Ingrevia                   | Hold       | 735     | 700              |
| 15      | Laxmi Organic Industries            | Reduce     | 160     | 169              |
| 16      | Mahanagar Gas                       | Hold       | 1,410   | 1,410            |
| 17      | Mangalore Refinery & Petrochemicals | Sell       | 109     | 129              |
| 18      | Navin Fluorine International        | Accumulate | 5,161   | 4,595            |
| 19      | NOCIL                               | Reduce     | 156     | 166              |
| 20      | Oil & Natural Gas Corporation       | BUY        | 264     | 220              |
| 21      | Oil India                           | BUY        | 659     | 343              |
| 22      | Petronet LNG                        | Reduce     | 248     | 278              |
| 23      | Reliance Industries                 | Accumulate | 1,482   | 1,300            |
| 24      | SRF                                 | Hold       | 3,069   | 2,928            |
| 25      | Vinati Organics                     | Accumulate | 1,620   | 1,459            |

## PL's Recommendation Nomenclature (Absolute Performance)

| Buy               | : | > 15%                           |
|-------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Accumulate        | : | 5% to 15%                       |
| Hold              | : | +5% to -5%                      |
| Reduce            | : | -5% to -15%                     |
| Sell              | : | < -15%                          |
| Not Rated (NR)    | : | No specific call on the stock   |
| Under Review (UR) | : | Rating likely to change shortly |

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