BONANZA WEALTH MANAGEMENT RESEARCH



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CMP : Rs. 171.0 Target Price : Rs. 208.0 Upside : 22%

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Stop Loss : **Rs.** 149.0

Investment Thesis

• In Manappuram Finance (MANA) gold advance percentage has been steadily dropping, and it is presently about 53%. This was a strategy aimed at diversification and is beginning to take shape. It helps reduce concentration risk and aids in growth by diversifying the business mix and reducing reliance on any one area. A 50:50 split between gold and non-gold books is the management's goal. This shift will even boost the margins and net profitability.

Manappuram Finance Ltd – BUY

- It appears that the level of competition in gold loans, which affected growth and profitability, has peaked. Gold loan growth is anticipated to be 8–10% Aum growth in FY24, driven mostly by customer accretion. In FY24–25E, quicker growth in the non-gold loan portfolio is anticipated which includes MFI, Vehicle, MSME, and Housing loans.
- Broad branch network of 5,261 branches and quick response times are still two
 of the company's advantages against other NBFCs. Adoption of digital
 transformation is thought to improve ability to compete by redefining customer
 experience, optimizing procedures.
- Steady yields and the capacity to transfer increased CoF (Cost of funds) to support RoA is effective in Manappuram Finance (MANA), yields are predicted to be robust at their present level of ~21-22% ahead, with interest rates projected to be close to peak and stabilizing competition. The impact on margins is anticipated to be modest despite the recent rise in risk weight by the RBI, which is predicted to raise the total cost of financing by 15–25 basis points. Diversification of the portfolio and healthy growth are seen to help NIMs.
- MANA's asset quality is improved from FY22. In Q2FY24 GNPA/NNPA is improved by 170bps and 130bps which was at 1.3%/1.1% while in Asirvad GNPA/NNPA were at 2.8%/1.1% that was 3.5%/0.2% in FY22. They have maintained CAR of 30.71, LCR of 256% and collection efficiency of 100% which shows the robust asset quality of MANA.

Financials

• In Q2FY24 Increased focused toward high yield loans supported revenue growth and robust margins. MANA reported net interest income of Rs. 1467.3Cr with QoQ / YoY growth of 6.5%/25.6% whereas PAT was Rs. 560.7 Cr. grew by 12.6% and 36.7% QoQ/YoY basis. MANA also reported 70bps YoY basis improved ROA at 5.1%.

Particulars	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E
NII* (Rs in Crs)	3,970	3,828	4,252	5,250	6,300
PPOP*(Rs in Crs)	2,756	2,269	2,348	3,274	3,765
PAT * (Rs in Crs)	1,725	1,328	1,500	2,100	2,476
ROA (Rs.) *	5.5	4.1	4.1	4.9	4.9
BVPS (x)	86.3	98.9	113.9	135.02	160
P/BV (%)	1.9	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.3

Stock Data			
Market Cap (Rs. Crs)	14,652		
Market Cap (\$ Mn)	1,762.27		
Shares O/S (in Mn)	846		
Avg. Volume (3 month)	1,08,57,450		
52-Week Range (Rs.)	178/101		

Shareholding Pattern				
Promoters	35.20			
FIIs	27.08			
Institutions	12.25			
Others (incl. body corporate)	25.47			

Key Ratios			
Div Yield	1.72%		
TTM PE	7.86		
ROE	16.6%		
TTM EPS (Rs.)	22.0		

Stock Performance					
Performance (%)	1M	6M	1Yr		
ABSOLUTE	13.9	33.5	54.8		
NIFTYFINANCE	4.6	25.2	42.0		
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- The company reported robust growth in AUM of Rs. 38951 Cr. grown by 27/5% YoY/ QoQ, mainly driven by healthy growth in MFI (Up 42% YoY, 9% QoQ), vehicles (Up 67/13% YoY/QoQ) and housing (Up 42/9% YoY/QoQ).
- Rs. 20800 Cr. Gold AUM has grown by 1% QoQ and 8% YoY, Gold Loan LTV is at 66% as on Q2FY24. Expecting growth of 8% YoY in gold loans in FY24

Key Business Highlights

- Manappuram Finance is a Non-Banking Finance Company (NBFC), which
 provides a wide range of fund based and fee based services. Currently MANA
 has 53% of gold loan, 25% of MFI, 3% of HFC, 8% of VFC, On-lending 2%, MSME
 7% contribution in total advances.
- The cost of borrowing in Q2FY24 was 8.85%, due to an improved credit rating and a better combination of borrowing mix, although market rates are at an all-time high, these factors allow them to maintain their cost of borrowing. We can anticipate a decline in costs as rate cuts are anticipated in FY25. The company has submitted a DHRP (draft red herring prospectus) for its subsidiary Asirvad Finance, intending to raise Rs. 1,500cr through a new offering that may potentially lower borrowing costs down.
- In the standalone gold loan entity, the management does not expect the credit cost to go beyond 1%. Asirvad's credit cost shot up during covid period, but now management doesn't expect any further growth in credit cost and maintained at 2.5%.
- MANA has a very robust physical and digital network consisting of 4,044 gold branches located in 17% of the North, 10% of the East, 63% of the South, and 10% of the West. MANA has 1,242 branches that are not gold as well. Digital networks are providing a significant increase in personal loans, and digitalization has also increased Mana's overall operational efficiency. By using their data on gold loans, they are using digital channels to market other products.

Valuation

Manapurram Finance Ltd. (MANA) is shifting its focus toward high yield loans from gold loans with maintained asset quality which is supporting its NIM's and net profitability.

We recommend MANA with a BUY rating which is currently trading at attractive PB of 1.41x and connoting a Target Price of Rs. 208 (1.3x P/BV multiple on FY25E BVPS) and a potential upside of 22%.

Risk & Concern

- Increasing interest rates can impact NIMs and overall profitability of MANA.
- MANA have exposure in risky loans which increase the risk of asset quality.

Graphs & Charts

Figure 1: AUM (Cr.) & Growth (YoY)

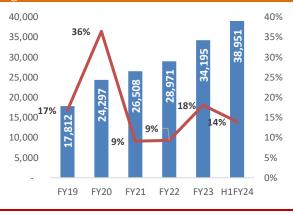
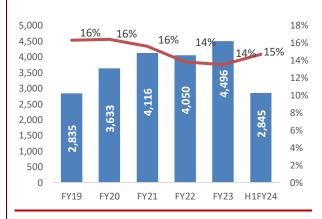
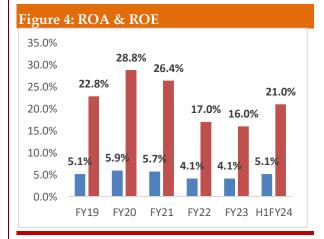


Figure 2: Diversification in advances

Advance Mix	Q2FY23	Q3FY23	Q4FY23	Q1FY24	Q2FY24
Gold	62.60%	58.40%	55.70%	55.60%	53.40%
MFI	23.20%	25.39%	26.29%	25.19%	25.90%
HFC	3.00%	3.29%	3.19%	3.29%	3.40%
VEF	6.10%	6.60%	6.90%	7.50%	8.10%
On-lending	0.90%	1.60%	2.59%	2.29%	2.49%
MSME & Allied	4.20%	4.99%	5.69%	6.49%	6.90%

Figure 3: NII and NIMs





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