

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, Q2 FY22

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 Q2 FY22.

Kindly take the above on record.

Regards,

Sincerely,

(Vipul Agarwal)

Group Chief Financial 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



30+ years of experience and 400+ workforce



13 offices across India

ICRA Analytics

(subsidiary of ICRA Limited)





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



21+ years of experience and 600+ workforce



Serving clients across the globe



Certified as a "Great Place to Work"



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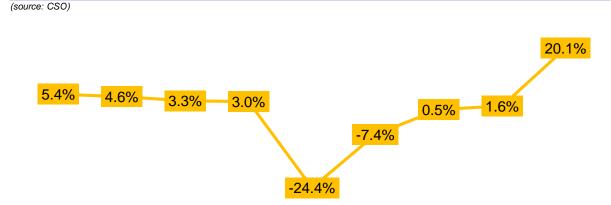
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Economic Environment



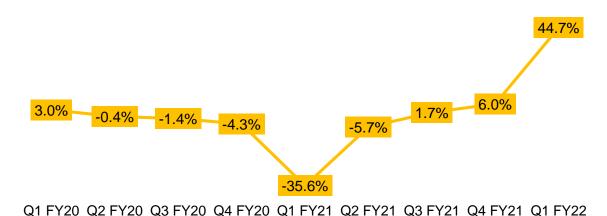
GDP Growth



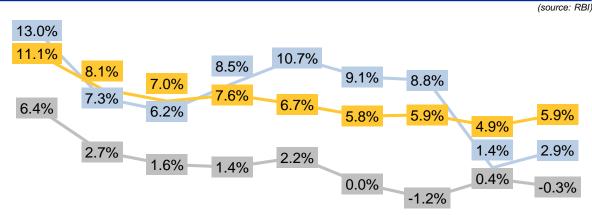
Q1 FY20 Q2 FY20 Q3 FY20 Q4 FY20 Q1 FY21 Q2 FY21 Q3 FY21 Q4 FY21 Q1 FY22

Index of Industrial Production Growth

(source: MOSIP)



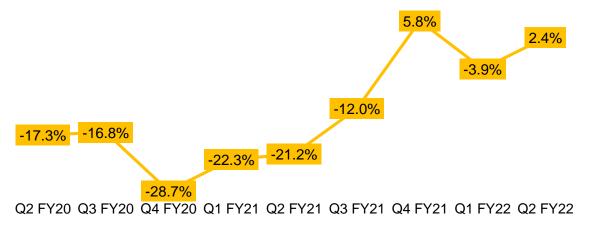
Bank Credit - YoY Growth*



Q1 FY20 Q2 FY20 Q3 FY20 Q4 FY20 Q1 FY21 Q2 FY21 Q3 FY21 Q4 FY21 Q1 FY22 Services Non-food ---Industry^

Outstanding CPs – YoY Growth*

(source: RBI)



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

^ Includes all types of enterprises, i.e. micro, small, medium and large

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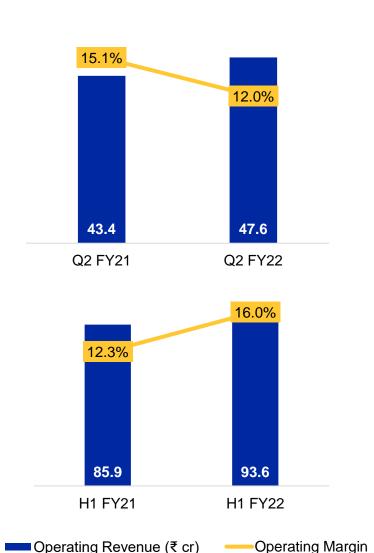
Ability to retain / attract quality manpower, rising compensation and related costs

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Funding substitutes including overseas borrowing or adverse domestic interest rate movements

ICRA Standalone – Financial Performance





For the quarter ended September 30, 2021, the company's operating income was Rs. 47.6 crore, as against Rs. 43.4 crore in the corresponding quarter of the previous financial year, showing a growth of 9.7%. Growth in the rating revenue was achieved mainly due to traction in our fresh business, which was supported by gains in the financial sector and pick-up in the securitisation volumes, inspite of unfavourable market conditions. The credit market continued to face headwinds during the current quarter with the non-food bank credit outstanding showing a muted growth. Bond issuances also remained muted falling on an y-o-y basis (though up sequentially) and CP outstanding remained subdued in this quarter. All of this reflected moderated fund-raising activities.

Other income was at Rs. 8.7 crore, lower by 2.7% during the quarter on y-o-y basis, due to lower interest rate environment. The company has invested substantial part of its investment portfolio in debt oriented mutual fund schemes for earning better post tax returns.

The employees benefit expenses during the current quarter were higher by 19.5% on y-o-y basis, mainly due to annual increments and onetime special incentive. Other expenses were lower by 3.9% on y-o-y basis mainly due to lower spend on legal expenses, CSR, recruitment etc.

The PBT for the quarter was at Rs. 14.4 crore as against Rs. 15.5 crore y-o-y basis, lower by 7.1%. The PAT for quarter was at Rs. 12.0 crore as against Rs. 11.3 crore y-o-y basis, higher by 6.2% due to lower effective tax.

For the half year ended on September 30, 2021, ICRA's standalone revenue from operation was Rs. 93.6 crore, compared to Rs. 85.9 crore, higher by 9.1%. The PBT and PAT were at Rs. 45.2 crore and Rs. 38.0 crore, respectively, as compared to Rs. 29.2 crore and Rs. 21.3 crore. The PBT and PAT were higher by 54.9% and 78.6%, respectively, as compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, due to dividend from a wholly owned subsidiary.

ICRA Standalone – P&L (₹ cr)

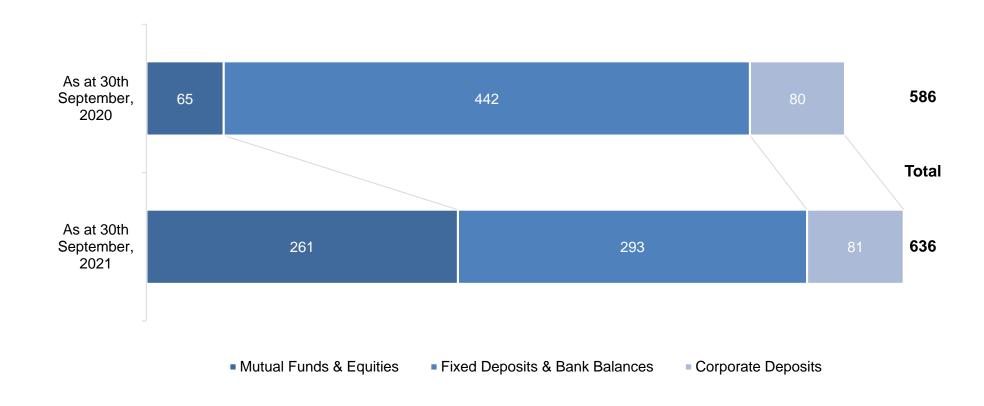


P&L		Q2 FY21	Q2 FY22	Q2 FY22 vs Q2 FY21	H1 FY21	H1 FY22	H1 FY22 vs H1 FY21
Operating Revenue	а	43.4	47.6	9.7%	85.9	93.6	9.1%
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Compensation Expenses	b1	28.3	33.8	19.5%	55.1	62.8	14.0%
Other Expenses	b2	6.8	6.5	-3.9%	16.7	12.7	-24.2%
Depreciation		1.3	1.2	-10.4%	2.5	2.4	-6.7%
Finance Costs		0.4	0.4	-12.1%	0.9	0.8	-10.6%
Total Expenses	b	36.8	41.9	13.8%	75.3	78.7	4.5%
Operating Profit	c=a-b	6.6	5.7	-13.0%	10.6	15.0	41.2%
Other Income	d	9.0	8.7	-2.7%	18.6	30.3	62.8%
Profit Before Tax	e=c+d	15.5	14.4	-7.1%	29.2	45.2	54.9%
Tax	f	4.3	2.4	-42.4%	7.9	7.2	-8.7%
PAT	g=e-f	11.3	12.0	6.2%	21.3	38.0	78.6%
Other Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	h	(0.0)	(0.0)		0.4	0.3	
Total Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	i=g+h	11.3	12.0	6.3%	21.7	38.3	76.7%

Other Metrics		Q2 FY21	Q2 FY22	H1 FY21	H1 FY22	
Comp Expense %	b1/a	65.2%	71.0%	64.2%	67.1%	
Other Expense %	b2/a	15.6%	13.6%	19.5%	13.5%	
Operating Margin %	c/a	15.1%	12.0%	12.3%	16.0%	
Profit Before Tax Margin %	e / (a+d)	29.7%	25.6%	27.9%	36.5%	
PAT Margin %	g / (a+d)	21.6%	21.3%	20.4%	30.7%	

ICRA Standalone – Investments (₹ cr)







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ICRA Consolidated – Financial Performance





For the quarter ended September 30, 2021, the consolidated operating income was at Rs. 82.7 crore, against Rs. 72.0 crore on y-o-y basis, reflecting a growth of 14.8%. The Other income was marginally higher by 1.0%, over the corresponding quarter of the previous financial year. Consolidated PBT was at Rs. 31.1 crore, higher by 21.3%, and PAT was at Rs. 24.4 crore, higher by 30.5% on y-o-y basis.

Ratings, research, and other services segment, including foreign subsidiaries, has grown by 10.4% on y-o-y basis. Outsourced and information services segment grew by 28.2% due to increase in business from existing and new clients, whereas Consulting services de-grew by 10.3% due to challenges in external environment and de-focus on certain unprofitable segments of our business.

For the half year ended on September 30, 2021, ICRA's consolidated revenue from operation was Rs. 162.5 crore, compared to Rs. 141.6 crore, higher by 14.8%. The other income was lower by 1.9%, over the corresponding period of the previous year. The PBT and PAT were at Rs. 64.2 crore and Rs. 48.7 crore, respectively, as compared to Rs 48.9 crore and Rs. 35.7 crore, respectively. The PBT was higher by 31.3% and the PAT was higher by 36.3%, as compared to the corresponding period of the previous year.

162.5

H1 FY22

Operating Margin

141.6

H1 FY21

Operating Revenue (₹ cr)

ICRA Consolidated – P&L (₹ cr)



P&L		Q2 FY21	Q2 FY22	Q2 FY22 vs
Operating Revenue	a	72.0	82.7	Q2 FY21 14.8%
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Compensation Expenses	b1	43.7	50.5	15.4%
Other Expenses	b2	10.1	9.6	-5.7%
Depreciation		2.5	1.8	-27.9%
Finance Costs		0.5	0.4	-23.5%
Total Expenses	b	56.9	62.2	9.3%
Operating Profit	c=a-b	15.1	20.5	35.5%
Other Income	d	10.5	10.6	1.0%
Profit Before Tax	e=c+d	25.6	31.1	21.3%
Тах	f	6.9	6.7	-3.2%
PAT	g=e-f	18.7	24.4	30.5%
Other Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	h	(0.1)	(0.1)	
Total Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	i=g+h	18.6	24.2	30.4%

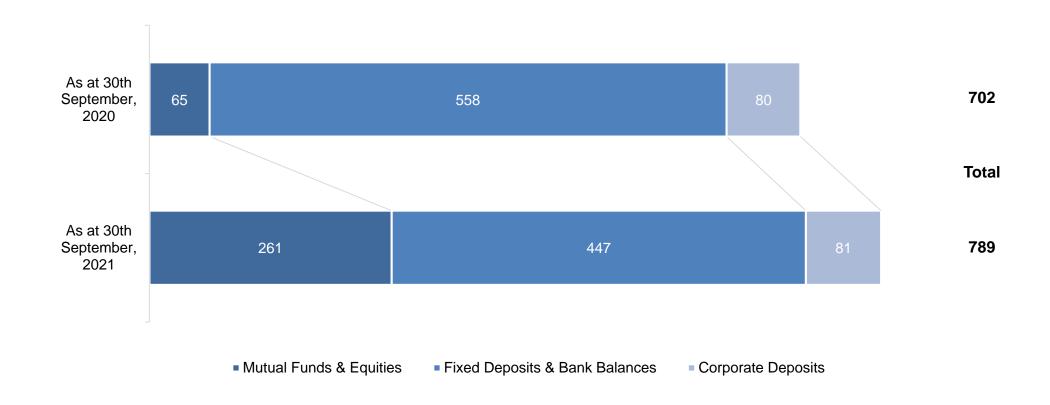
H1 FY21	H1 FY22	H1 FY22 vs H1 FY21
141.6	162.5	14.8%
85.0	95.5	12.3%
23.5	19.7	-16.4%
4.8	3.6	-25.3%
1.0	0.8	-22.9%
114.4	119.6	4.5%
27.2	43.0	57.8%
21.7	21.3	-1.9%
48.9	64.2	31.3%
13.2	15.5	17.7%
35.7	48.7	36.3%
0.2	(0.3)	
36.0	48.4	34.6%
30.0	40.4	34.0 /6

Other Metrics		Q2 FY21	Q2 FY22
Comp Expense %	b1 / a	60.7%	61.0%
Other Expense %	b2 / a	14.1%	11.6%
Operating Margin %	c/a	21.0%	24.8%
Profit Before Tax Margin %	e / (a+d)	31.1%	33.3%
PAT Margin %	g / (a+d)	22.6%	26.1%

H1 FY21	H1 FY22
60.1%	58.8%
16.6%	12.1%
19.2%	26.4%
30.0%	34.9%
21.9%	26.5%

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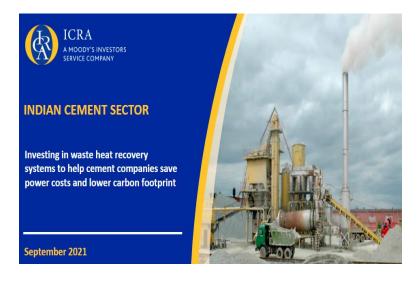














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Specialty chemical sector is poised for multi year growth

Indian Passenger Vehicle Industry - Trends & Outlook

Structured Finance Update on securitisation market and retail pool collection efficiencies

Improving economic scenario augurs well for the road logistics sector

The Indian Cement Sector: Will the sector surpass pre-covid volumes in FY2022?

State governments' fiscal deficit and leverage in FY2022 to remain higher than pre-Covid levels

The Indian Hospitality Industry - Trends and Outlook

Supportive government policies likely to keep performance stable amid a commodity whirlwind



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