

## Stock idea 24th November 2022

One 97 Communications Ltd (Paytm)

CMP: INR 452

**Outlook: Positive** 

Stock Info	
BSE	543396
NSE	PAYTM
Bloomberg	PAYTM.IN
Sector	Online Services
Face Value (INR)	1
Equity Capital (INR Mn)	649.1
Mkt Cap (INR Mn)	294,160
52w H/L (INR)	1873.7/438.3
Avg Daily Vol (in 000')	4,245

Shareholding Pattern %		
(As on Sept, 2022)		
Promoters	0%	
FII	0%	
DII	0.014%	
Public & Others	99.986%	

Stock Performance (%)	1m	3m	12m
PAYTM	-29%	-41%	-74%
Nifty	3%	3.7%	4.9%

## **PAYTM Vs Nifty**



About the company: Incorporated in 2000, One 97 Communications Ltd is India's leading digital ecosystem for consumers as well as merchants. As of March 31, 2021, the company has a 333 million+ client base and 21 million+ registered merchants to whom it offers payment services, financial services, and commerce and cloud services.

Results: One 97 Communications (Paytm) continues to improve its revenue and margin profile, evident in narrowing of consolidated loss at INR 5.7bn in Q2FY23 (vs loss of INR 6.5bn in Q1FY23). The performance was characterized by sustained lower processing charges and net payment margin improving a tad; sharp acceleration in lending business with disbursements of INR 73bn; enhanced contribution/adjusted-EBITDA (before ESOP cost) margin with higher financial services/cloud revenue growth further aided by lower indirect costs; sustained growth in monthly transacting users (MTUs), deployment of offline devices and continued build-up of gross merchandise value (GMV)

Net payment take rate improved, an encouraging sign: Payment revenue build-up was supported by continued platform expansion across MTU and merchant base, growth in subscription (and MDR) revenue from offline merchants and higher GMV from online merchants in payment gateway business. The company remains confident of further improving net payment margin going forward.

Continued accelerated growth in lending business provides: Paytm postpaid's reach increased to 15mn (from 11mn QoQ) online and offline merchants. In merchant loans, repeat rate inched up to 50% (vs 45% QoQ). Currently, Paytm is working with 9 partners, of which 6 are with respect to lending business. It recently partnered with PEL and business will kickstart from Q4FY23.

Outlook: Better improvement in margin profile with better monetization suggests achievement of operating profitability (positive EBITDA before ESOP cost) ahead of its guided timeline of Q2FY24. At INR 452, company trades 2.34x FY25E P/B (Bloomberg Estimates).

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Stock Rating Scale	Absolute Return
BUY	>20%
ACCUMULATE	12% to 20%
HOLD	5% to 12%
NEUTRAL	-5% to 5%
REDUCE	-5% to -12%
SELL	<-12%

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