



## TODAY'S PICK

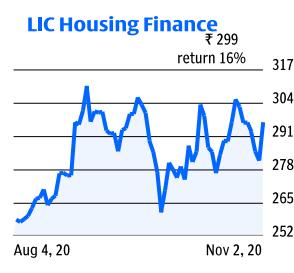
LIC Housing Finance (₹229): Buy

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The stock of LIC Housing Finance gained 5.7 per cent with above average volume on Monday, bouncing up from a key support level of ₹280.

This rally has surpassed the 21- and 50-day moving averages and has given traders with a short-term perspective an opportunity to buy the stock at current levels. Since the stock took support at ₹186 in late March this year, it has been in an intermediate-term uptrend.



## Key resistance

But, the stock had encountered a resistance at ₹323 in late August and started to consolidate in the wide band between ₹260 and ₹223 thereafter. The recent up-move has strengthened the bullish momentum with the consolidation phase and the stock has potential to trend upwards and reach the upper boundary.

The daily relative strength index is charting higher in the neutral region and the weekly RSI as well entered bullish zone.

## Short-term targets

The daily price rate of change indicator has entered the positive terrain from the negative implying buying interest. Overall, the short term outlook is bullish for the stock. The targets are ₹312 and ₹318.

Traders with a short-term view can buy the stock with a stop-loss at ₹292.

(Note: The recommendations are based on technical analysis. There is a risk of loss in trading.)

Nifty 50 Movers						▲ 26.75 pts.
	Close(₹)	Pts	PE	Wk(%)		
HDFC	2040.80	48.73	20.75	7.27		
ICICI Bank	417.45	39.76	23.56	5.72		
HDFC Bank	1215.25	31.98	23.45	10.51		
Axis Bank	522.65	17.34	50.55	2.58		
Bharti Airtel	457.40	13.17	0.00	2.18		
Kotak Bank	1580.70	11.32	49.73	4.60		
Infosys	1072.30	9.94	27.43	7.81		
Bajaj Finance	3419.80	6.82	49.95	1.80		
State Bank	196.05	6.06	10.69	1.50		
IndusInd Bank	628.35	5.61	17.54	0.71		
ITC	166.75	3.04	14.34	2.90		
Bajaj Finserv	5701.45	1.80	288.00	0.69		
NTPC	89.20	1.80	8.84	0.86		
PowerGrid Corp	173.05	1.22	8.74	0.88		
Hero MotoCorp	2835.65	1.08	22.51	0.73		
Sun Pharma	469.40	0.91	37.80	1.01		
Grasim Ind	787.85	0.87	64.56	0.62		
Coal India	115.70	0.73	6.36	0.48		
ONCC	65.70	0.68	10.58	0.48		
M&M	596.05	0.46	0.00	1.13		
Titan	1168.50	0.27	137.27	0.97		
Tech Mahindra	814.65	0.19	19.06	1.00		
HDIL Unilever	2072.00	0.15	69.30	3.68		
Tata Motors	309.35	0.08	30.16	0.61		
Hindalco	170.75	0.03	68.86	0.50		
L&T	929.30	-0.06	73.16	2.26		
Shree Cement	21671.35	-0.07	49.55	0.58		
SBI Life	766.05	-0.28	53.16	0.59		
GAIL (India)	83.95	-0.34	6.77	0.31		
Cipla	751.25	-0.38	27.11	0.76		
Nestle India Ltd.	17114.95	-0.39	79.64	1.21		
HDFC Life	587.50	-0.41	89.76	0.92		
Adani Ports	356.90	-0.50	41.88	0.52		
UltraTech Cement	4550.80	-0.62	23.61	1.04		
Indian Oil Corp	78.20	-0.80	13.91	0.40		
Dr Reddys Lab	4858.65	-0.84	32.89	1.17		
UPL	445.35	-1.01	125.10	0.49		
Bajaj Auto	2843.70	-1.31	19.42	0.74		
Tata Steel	402.85	-1.35	7.09	0.60		
Britannia Ind	3420.30	-1.45	47.88	0.80		
BPCL	346.40	-1.50	17.79	0.55		
Eicher Motors	2029.65	-1.81	39.11	0.56		
Wipro	334.80	-2.03	21.60	0.99		
Divis Labs	3048.65	-2.76	50.66	0.77		
Maurit Suzuki	6868.35	-2.99	52.15	1.82		
Asian Paints	2172.85	-4.04	92.39	1.95		
HCL Tech	822.40	-4.92	22.69	1.78		
TCS	2604.60	-14.69	33.18	5.44		
Reliance Ind	1877.45	-132.82	41.81	12.07		

Pts: Impact on index movement

# Post Q2 results, Reliance Ind slumps 8.6%, its biggest slide since March 9

Macquarie sets target price of ₹1,320; m-cap crashes ₹1 lakh crore

## OUR BUREAU

Chennai, November 2

Shares of index heavyweight Reliance Industries slumped 8.62 per cent on Monday after the company on Friday posted a drop in September quarter net profit, as the pandemic hit sales of most of its products. This is the biggest fall for the stock of India's biggest conglomerate after March 9 crash, when it slumped about 13 percent.

## 'No economic moat'

Some analysts turned cautious on the stock post Q2 results, and see only a little headroom. Macquarie Research said: "We remains cautious as

## Mixed view

Brokerage	Recommendation	Target (₹)
Macquarie	Underperform	1,320
Emkay Global	Hold	1,970
Elara Capital	Accumulate	2,357
JM Financial	Buy	2,500
Motilal Oswal	Buy	2,240
HDFC Securities	Add	2,140

we still see no economic moat."

The index heavyweight tumbled 8.62 per cent to ₹1,877, while partly-paid shares of the company tanked 10 per cent to hit the lower circuit limit and closed at ₹1,066. Reliance Industries on Friday, after market hours, said that its consolidated net profit declined 20 percent in the July-September quarter to ₹10,602 crore.

Reliance Industries, the only stock to top the ₹1 lakh crore market capitalisation mark in September 2020



bluesky valuation," said Macquarie in research report with a Underperform rating and a target of ₹1,320.

Emkay Global, which maintained its Hold rating on the stock, but increase the target price to ₹1,970, said: "We deem the stock as fairly valued though upside may come if Aramco buys into O2C at \$75 billion EV (\$60 billion est.), global strategic majors enter Retail, and Jio-Retail get listed".

## Bullish brokers

However, other brokers such as Motilal Oswal Financial, IDBI Capital, Elara Capital and JM Financial, remained bullish on the stock.

"We upgrade to Accumulate from Reduce as the stock has corrected 8 per cent in the past two months, roll-over to FY23 offering 23 per cent EPS growth and increase digital services value that resulted in higher target price at ₹2,357 from ₹2,169," said Elara Securities.

# Delay in RIL-Future deal will dent retail arm's margin 2%: JP Morgan

## FORUM GANDHI

Mumbai, November 2

Retail asset acquisition. We currently build the acquisition into our FY22 estimates. While any delay in closing the deal would impact our FY22 EBITDA by 2 per cent for the Future Value of the Mumbai Ambani owned Retail giant by 5 per cent.

Days after Reliance Retail posted its operational performance in Q2 JP Morgan Chase has said that Reliance Retail has posed an "impressive q2 result" with flat revenue y-o-y basis and "significantly better-than-expected EBITDA." Reliance Retail's EBITDA jumped to ₹2,006 crore which was higher by 85.9 per cent than the previous quarter.

However, just when analysts started to see some green shoots on the post-Covid road to recovery for Reliance Retail, market watchers have now warned that this could pose as a hindrance on the EBITDA estimates of Reliance Retail for the FY22. "There are potential legal challenges to the future

Retail asset acquisition. We currently build the acquisition into our FY22 estimates. While any delay in closing the deal would impact our FY22 EBITDA by only 2 per cent, it would impact our FV by 5 per cent," said analysts in their note.

Earlier this year, Reliance Retail invested nearly ₹25,000 crore in the multiple companies of the debt-strapped Future Group. Future Group's partner Amazon had dragged the company to the Singapore International Arbitration Court (SIAC) over alleged breach of contract on multiple grounds.

The SIAC had passed an interim stay on the deal between Future Group and Reliance Retail in favour of the American giant. On one hand, on the basis of this stay order, Amazon has written a letter to the Exchanges and SEBI, on the other, Reliance Retail and Future Group have said they will go ahead with the deal without any delay.

## AMCs can now do proprietary trading in debt securities: SEBI

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SEBI has allowed asset management company to become a proprietary trader and self-clearing member in the debt segment of stock exchanges and clearing corporations to carry out trades and settle trades.

Amending the existing norms, SEBI has directed Chief Executive Officers of mutual funds to ensure that AMCs have adequate systems in place to ensure that fund managers and dealers follow the code of conduct in letter and spirit and any breach is reported to the board of directors. Similarly, fund managers and dealers have to submit quarterly self-certification to the trustees that they have complied with the code of conduct. They have to ensure that investments are made in the interest of the unit hold-

ers.

SEBI in a notification said that dealers and fund managers should not indulge in any unethical business activities or professional misconduct involving fraud or deceit or commit any act that could damage the reputation of the organisation or the mutual fund industry.

No conflict of interest They should avoid conflict of interest and should not carry out any transaction on behalf of a fund with any counter party who is an associate of the sponsor or top officials within the organisation unless it is carried out on arm's length basis on terms and price consistent with best execution standards and at a commisionary rate no higher than customary institutional rates.

Fund managers should com-

municate details on issues in a transparent manner during market hours through recorded modes and channels. They have also been told to provide appropriate inputs to the valuation agencies or the valuation committee of the AMC. Any material deviation in valuation, as defined by the AMC, shall also be highlighted to the valuation committee of the AMC.

Fund managers shall have an appropriate and adequate basis for investment decision and shall be responsible for investment in the funds managed by them. They have to maintain written record on decision of buying or selling securities together with the detailed justifications. They should not indulge any act or practice which results in artificial window dressing of the NAV, said SEBI.

## Equitas Small Finance Bank lists at 6% discount to IPO price

Tepid listing follows asset quality concerns post-Covid, weak HNI interest in offer

## KEERTHI SANAGASETTI

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Equitas Small Finance Bank (Equitas SFB) listed on Monday at a discount of about 6 per cent to its issue price. The stock made its debut at ₹31 against its issue price of ₹33 a share on the BSE.

The stock touched an intra-day high of ₹33.05, and an intra-day low of ₹30.1.

At the close price ₹32.75, the stock of Equitas SFB was trading at about 1.2 times its (post issue) book value at the end of June 2020 quarter. Based on the loan book size, Ujjivan SFB, a comparable listed peer — currently</

