

#### ICRA Limited

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**BSE Limited** 

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National Stock Exchange of India Limited

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Symbol: ICRA

Dear Sir/Madam,

#### Sub: - Investor Presentation, Q4 FY21

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, Q4 FY21.

Kindly take the above on record.

Regards,

Sincerely,

(Vipul Agarwal) Group Chief Financial Officer

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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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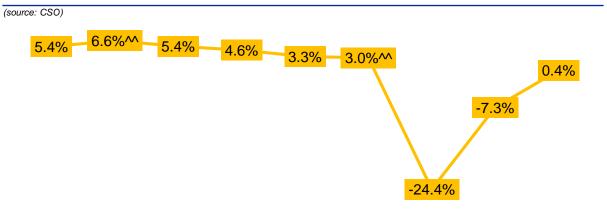
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## **Economic Environment**



#### **GDP Growth**



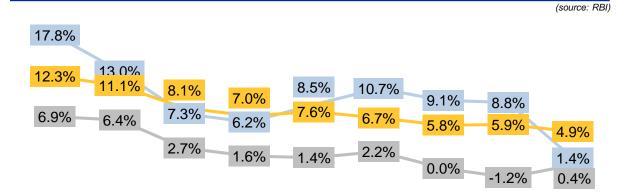
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#### **Index of Industrial Production Growth**



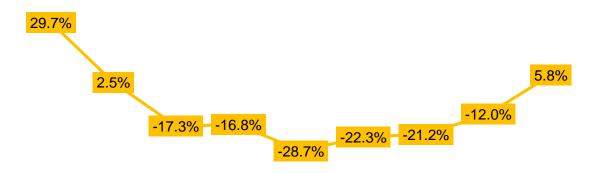
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#### Bank Credit - YoY Growth\*



#### Outstanding CPs - YoY Growth\*

(source: RBI)



Q4 FY19 Q1 FY20 Q2 FY20 Q3 FY20 Q4 FY20 Q1 FY21 Q2 FY21 Q3 FY21 Q4 FY21

# **Challenges and Risk Factors**



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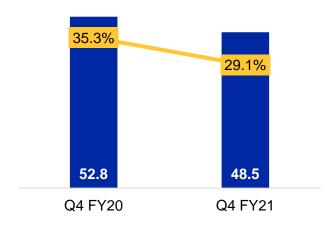
Ability to retain / attract quality manpower, rising compensation and related costs

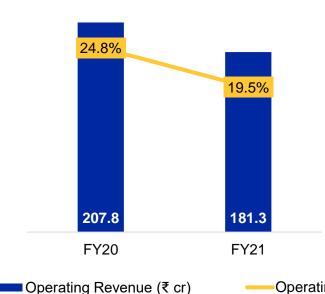
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Funding substitutes including overseas borrowing or adverse domestic interest rate movements

## ICRA Standalone – Financial Performance







For the quarter ended March 31, 2021, the company's operating income was Rs. 48.5 crore, as agains Rs. 52.8 crore in the corresponding quarter of the previous financial year, showing a degrowth of 8%. The preference for bank credit over bond issuances, as yields hardened, led to a growth in bank credit outstanding by 4.1% and a decline in bond issuances by 3.2%. This had a corresponding impact on the industry rated volumes in both the bank loan and bond rating segments – however, the growth in the bank loan rating segment was led by PSU entities. The impact of decline in bond market issuances was mitigated by the pick-up in securitization and bilateral assignment of pools towards the end of the Quarter

Other income declined by 20% during the quarter on y-o-y basis, primarily due to lower interest rate environment

The employees benefit expenses during the current quarter were higher by 35% on y-o-y basis, mainly due to reversal of variable pay provision (true-up) in corresponding quarter of the previous financial year and salary of senior management who came on board. Other expenses were lower by 52% on y-o-y basis mainly due to lower legal cost and lower travel cost & other overheads due to remote working whereas previous financial year had additional audit fees and higher CSR expenditure due to contribution to PM Cares

The PBT for the quarter was lower at Rs. 22.1 crores, lower by 23% as against Rs. 28.6 crores y-o-y basis and PAT was also lower by 23% at Rs. 16.3 crore on y-o-y basis

For the financial year ended on March 31, 2021, the Company's operating income was at Rs. 181.3 crore, lower by 13% as against the previous financial year. The decline in the revenue has been mainly due to reduction in the securitisation volumes and contraction in the volume of debt rated in the large borrower segment. The company's PBT was at Rs. 71.7 crore (22% y-o-y decline) and PAT at Rs. 52.9 crore (19% y-o-y decline)

Operating Margin

# ICRA Standalone – P&L (₹ cr)

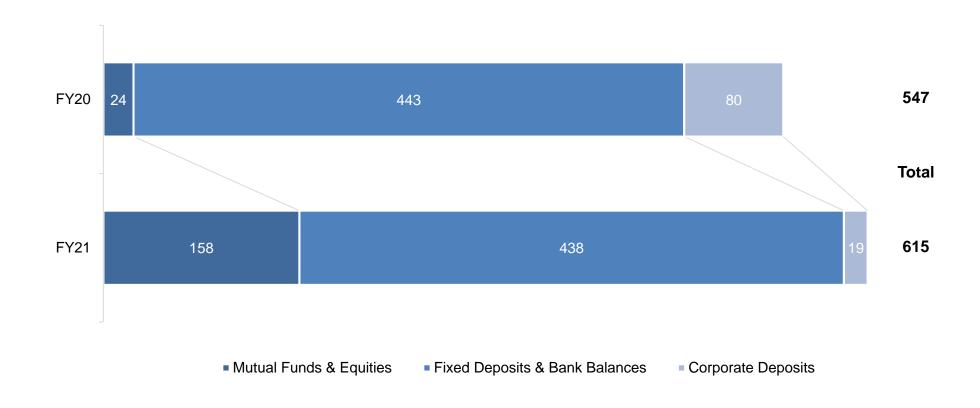


P&L		Q4 FY20	Q4 FY20	Q4 FY21 vs Q4 FY20	FY20	FY21	FY21 vs FY20
Operating Revenue	а	52.8	48.5	-8.1%	207.8	181.3	-12.8%
Compensation Expenses	b1	19.5	26.5	35.5%	105.1	110.0	4.7%
Other Expenses	b2	12.8	6.1	-52.4%	44.2	28.9	-34.5%
Depreciation		1.3	1.4	2.3%	5.4	5.2	-2.4%
Finance Costs		0.4	0.4	-5.6%	1.7	1.7	4.1%
Total Expenses	b	34.2	34.4	0.6%	156.3	145.9	-6.6%
Operating Profit	c=a-b	18.6	14.1	-24.2%	51.5	35.3	-31.3%
Other Income	d	10.0	8.0	-20.4%	40.6	36.3	-10.5%
Profit Before Tax	e=c+d	28.6	22.1	-22.9%	92.1	71.7	-22.1%
Tax	f	7.5	5.8	-22.9%	27.1	18.7	-30.9%
PAT	g=e-f	21.1	16.3	-22.9%	65.0	52.9	-18.5%
Other Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	h	(0.1)	0.1		(0.5)	0.3	
Total Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	i=g+h	20.9	16.3	-22.0%	64.4	53.2	-17.4%

Other Metrics		Q4 FY20	Q4 FY21	FY20	FY21	
Comp Expense %	b1/a	37.0%	54.6%	50.6%	60.7%	
Other Expense %	b2/a	24.3%	12.6%	21.3%	15.9%	
Operating Margin %	c/a	35.3%	29.1%	24.8%	19.5%	
Profit Before Tax Margin %	e / (a+d)	45.6%	39.1%	37.1%	32.9%	
PAT Margin %	g / (a+d)	33.6%	28.8%	26.2%	24.3%	

## ICRA Standalone – Investments (₹ cr)







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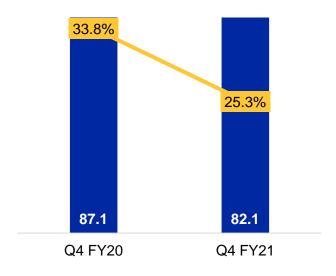
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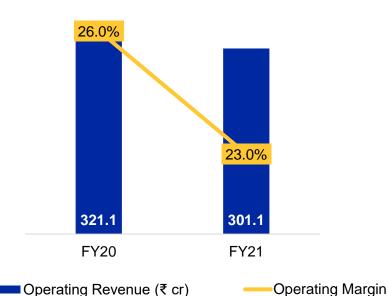
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## ICRA Consolidated – Financial Performance







For the quarter ended March 31, 2021, the consolidated operating income was Rs. 82.1 crore, against Rs. 87.1 crore on y-o-y basis, reflecting a de-growth of 6%. Consolidated PBT was at Rs. 30.5 crore, lower by 27%, and PAT was at Rs. 22.5 crore, lower by 35% on y-o-y basis

Decline in revenue from ratings and consulting segments impacted the growth in consolidated revenue in Q4 FY21. The outsourcing and information services have shown a steady growth, driven by growth in both domestic and global businesses

For the financial year ended on March 31, 2021, the consolidated operating income was Rs. 301.1 crore as compared to Rs. 321.1 crore, reflecting a degrowth of 6%, on y-o-y basis. The other income was lower by 11%, over the previous financial year. The company's consolidated PBT was lower by 15% at Rs. 112 crore and PAT was also lower by 15% at Rs. 82.7 crore as compared to the previous financial year

# ICRA Consolidated – P&L (₹ cr)

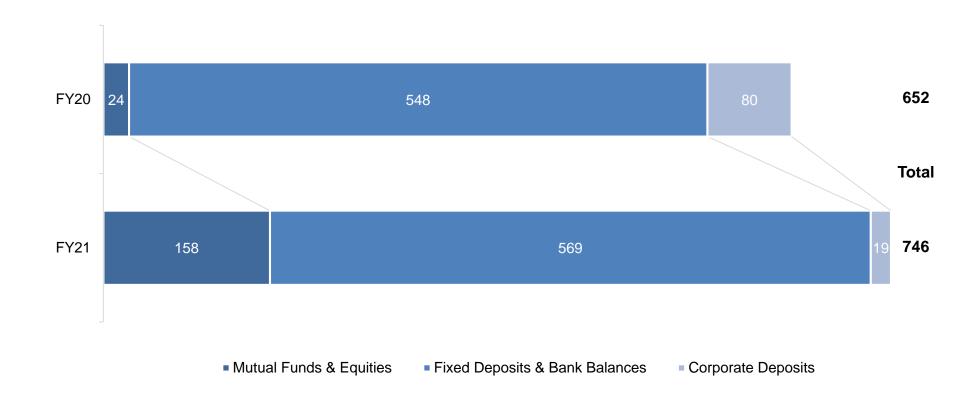


P&L		Q4 FY20	Q4 FY21	Q4 FY21 vs Q4 FY20	FY20	FY21	FY21 vs FY20
Operating Revenue	а	87.1	82.1	-5.7%	321.1	301.1	-6.2%
Compensation Expenses	b1	33.8	42.7	26.2%	161.7	171.7	6.2%
Other Expenses	b2	20.6	15.6	-24.6%	63.6	48.2	-24.1%
Depreciation		2.7	2.6	-3.9%	10.3	9.9	-3.6%
Finance Costs		0.5	0.5	-3.8%	2.0	2.1	0.6%
Total Expenses	b	57.7	61.3	6.4%	237.6	231.8	-2.4%
Operating Profit	c=a-b	29.4	20.8	-29.4%	83.5	69.2	-17.2%
Other Income	d	12.5	9.8	-21.9%	48.0	42.8	-10.7%
Profit Before Tax	e=c+d	41.9	30.5	-27.2%	131.5	112.0	-14.8%
Tax	f	7.0	8.0	13.7%	34.2	29.3	-14.4%
PAT	g=e-f	34.9	22.5	-35.4%	97.2	82.7	-15.0%
Other Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	h	(0.3)	0.1		(0.6)	0.0	
Total Comprehensive Income (Net of Tax)	i=g+h	34.6	22.6	-34.7%	96.6	82.7	-14.4%

Other Metrics		Q4 FY20	Q4 FY21	FY20	FY21	
Comp Expense %	b1/a	38.9%	52.0%	 50.4%	57.0%	
Other Expense %	b2 / a	23.7%	19.0%	19.8%	16.0%	
Operating Margin %	c/a	33.8%	25.3%	26.0%	23.0%	
Profit Before Tax Margin %	e / (a+d)	42.1%	33.2%	35.6%	32.6%	
PAT Margin %	g / (a+d)	35.0%	24.5%	26.3%	24.1%	

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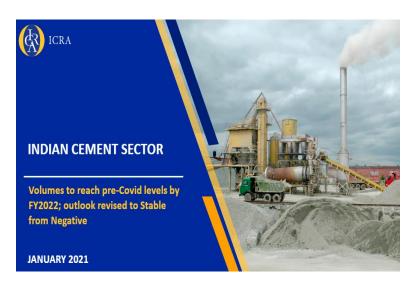
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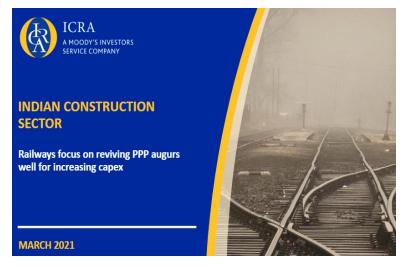














# Thematic Discussions for Industry Participants (8)



Indian Economy: Vaccinated against covid-19?

Will the second wave steal the show from domestic

Credit quality on the mend, but risks remain

Indian Two-Wheeler Industry - Will the growth be back in fast lane in FY2022?

Credit outlook for the Indian tyre industry

Power Transmission & Distribution : Trends & Outlook

Exploring Covered Bonds in the Indian context "Balance sheets of Indian carriers to remain stressed"



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