# BAHL

### 1QCY23 Result Review: BUY Stance Maintained

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BAHL has announced its 1QCY23 result where it posted a profit after tax of Rs10.54bn (EPS: Rs9.48) as compared to a profit after tax of Rs4.96bn (EPS: Rs4.47) in the same period last year, up by 1.12x YoY amid an increase in interest earned on the back of higher interest rates in addition to massive foreign exchange gains.

The bank has posted a net interest income of Rs74.80bn against Rs34.20bn in SPLY, recording a growth of 1.19x YoY. We note that this increase is attributed to the increased interest earned. Non-interest income has increased by 51.5% YoY to Rs6.30bn as compared to Rs4.16bn during SPLY, mainly due to the increase in foreign exchange gain income which surged by 3.61x YoY to Rs2.70bn. The effective taxation decreased to 36.3% as compared to 39.4% SPLY while the operating cost to income ratio decreased to 48.5% as compared to 57.3% in the SPLY. The bank booked the reversal of Rs0.95bn as compared to provision of Rs0.15bn during the SPLY.

BAHL is currently trading at CY23E PE of 1.93x. Furthermore, the scrip is trading at a CY23E P/B of 0.45x which offers a discount of 22% relative to its historical 3-year average of 0.57x. We recommend our investors to **BUY** the scrip with a Justified PB Dec-23 TP of Rs60 which provides an upside potential of 33%. Furthermore, it also offers an attractive dividend yield of 19% which makes a total return of 52%.

Rupees' millions	1QCY23	1QCY22	YoY	CY22	CY21	Yo
Interest earned	74,805	34,196	118.8% 🔺	200,921	116,752	72.1%
Interest expensed	-50,181	-18,246	175.0% 🔺	-123,602	-61,273	101.7% 🔺
Net Interest Income	24,625	15,950	54.4% 🔺	77,319	55,479	39.4%
Fee and commission income	3,019	2,781	8.6% 🔺	11,595	9,305	24.6%
Dividend income	313	381	17.7% 🔻	1,343	655	104.9%
Foreign exchange income	2,698	585	361.2% 🔺	7,241	2,970	143.8%
(Loss) / gain on securities	25	186	86.8% 🔻	183	-41	18381%
Other income	247	227	9.0% 🔺	835	1,138	26.7%
Non-Interest Income	6,302	4,159	51.5% 🔺	21,196	14,027	51.1%
Operating expenses	-14,984	-11,603	29.1% 🔺	-51,787	-38,624	34.1%
Workers' Welfare Fund	-338	-167	102.3% 🔺	-817	-620	31.8%
Other charges	0	0	72.1% 🔻	-156	-36	331.0%
Profit Before Provisions	15,605	8,338	87.1% 🔺	45,755	30,226	51.4%
Provisions	952	-154	719% 🔻	-12,871	47	27134%
Profit Before Taxation	16,557	8,185	102.3% 🔺	32,884	30,273	8.6%
Taxation	-6,018	-3,222	86.8% 🔺	-16,314	-11,570	41.0%
Profit After Taxation	10,539	4,963	112.4% 🔺	16,570	18,702	11.4%
Earnings Per Share	9.48	4.47	112.4% 🔺	14.91	16.83	11.4%
Dividend	0.00	0.00	-	7.00	7.00	
Bonus	0%	0.00		0%	0%	
Operating Cost to Income	-48.5%	-57.3%	8.9% ▼	-52.6%	-55.6%	3.0%
Effective Taxation	-36.3%	-39.4%	3.0% ▼	-49.6%	-38.2%	11.4%

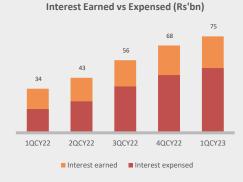
Source: ACPL Research, Company Financials



### **Key Statistics**

Symbol	BAHL
TP - Dec 23	60
LDCP	45.15
Upside (%)	33
Free Float ('mn)	722
Market Cap. (Rs.'mn)	50,181





### PAT (Rs'bn) vs Operating Cost To Income



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# **Financial Projections**

Rupees' millions	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E
Mark-up / Return / Interest earned	125,273	116,752	200,921	253,057	288,780	323,786	364,049
Mark-up / Return / Interest expensed	-67,653	-61,273	-123,602	-197,556	-230,095	-260,985	-297,646
Net Mark-up / Interest Income	57,620	55,479	77,319	55,501	58,684	62,802	66,403
Fee and commission income	6,678	9,305	11,595	12,077	13,889	16,389	19,830
Dividend income	486	655	1,343	1,111	1,254	1,426	1,632
Foreign exchange income	2,143	2,970	7,241	3,621	4,164	4,580	5,038
Gain on securities	186	-41	183	98	242	397	613
Other income	780	1,138	835	989	1,087	1,196	1,316
Total non-markup / interest income	10,273	14,027	21,196	17,895	20,636	23,988	28,429
Non mark-up / interest expenses							
Operating expenses	-34,040	-38,624	-51,787	-35,561	-38,431	-42,050	-45,947
Workers' Welfare Fund	-672	-620	-817	-802	-803	-878	-960
Other charges	-57	-36	-156	-2	-2	-2	-2
Profit Before Provisions	33,124	30,226	45,755	37,032	40,085	43,860	47,925
Provisions / (reversal of provisions)	-4,543	47	-12,871	3,819	-3,113	-3,620	-4,206
Profit before income tax	28,581	30,273	32,884	40,851	36,972	40,240	43,719
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Income tax expense	-10,770	-11,570	-16,314	-14,847	-16,637	-18,108	-19,673
Profit for the year	17,812	18,702	16,570	26,004	20,335	22,132	24,045
EPS	16.03	16.83	14.91	23.40	18.30	19.91	21.63

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# **Horizontal Analysis**

	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2025E
Mark-up / Return / Interest earned	18.6%	-6.8%	72.1%	25.9%	14.1%	12.1%	12.4%
Mark-up / Return / Interest expensed	5.0%	-9.4%	101.7%	59.8%	16.5%	13.4%	14.0%
Net Mark-up / Interest Income	39.9%	-3.7%	39.4%	-28.2%	5.7%	7.0%	5.7%
Total non-markup / interest income	9.6%	39.3%	24.6%	4.2%	15.0%	18.0%	21.0%
	7.7%	34.8%	104.9%	-17.3%	12.9%	13.7%	14.4%
Non mark-up / interest expenses	-7.0%	38.6%	143.8%	-50.0%	15.0%	10.0%	10.0%
Operating expenses	-671.7%	-122.2%	-544.3%	-46.4%	146.6%	64.4%	54.4%
Workers' Welfare Fund	17.5%	45.9%	-26.7%	18.4%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%
Other charges	8.4%	36.5%	51.1%	-15.6%	15.3%	16.2%	18.5%
Profit Before Provisions							
Provisions / (reversal of provisions)	22.8%	13.5%	34.1%	-31.3%	8.1%	9.4%	9.3%
Profit before income tax	49.8%	-7.7%	31.8%	-1.9%	0.1%	9.4%	9.3%
	-39.2%	-36.0%	331.0%	-99.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Income tax expense	47.8%	-8.8%	51.4%	-19.1%	8.2%	9.4%	9.3%
Profit for the year							
	33.8%	-101.0%	-27334%	-129.7%	-181.5%	16.3%	16.2%
EPS	50.3%	5.9%	8.6%	24.2%	-9.5%	8.8%	8.6%

Source: ACPL Research, Company Financials

# **Key Ratios**

Profitability Ratios		2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E
Yield on Earning Assets	%	8.98	6.88	9.52	10.41	9.96	9.37	8.84
Interest Cost	%	4.98	3.69	5.99	8.28	8.07	7.66	7.30
Net Interest Margin	%	4.00	3.19	3.53	2.13	1.90	1.71	1.54
Operating Cost to Income	%	51.21	56.51	53.56	49.54	49.46	49.46	49.46
Return on Equity	%	22.30	20.78	17.40	23.10	16.15	15.75	15.80
Return on Assets	%	1.17	1.01	0.73	0.99	0.65	0.59	0.54
Balance Sheet Analysis		2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E
Deposits Growth	%	21.68	19.11	19.72	19.72	19.72	19.72	19.72
CASA to Deposits	%	76.56	76.52	76.01	76.01	74.01	74.01	74.01
Advances to Deposits	%	46.40	56.02	51.88	53.91	53.99	54.06	54.12
Investments to Deposits	%	69.56	63.11	73.88	67.95	64.09	60.86	58.17
PIBs to Investments	%	68.07	65.30	73.90	73.90	73.90	73.90	73.90
T Bills to Investments	%	18.95	15.16	10.51	10.51	10.51	10.51	10.51
Gross Infection Ratio	%	1.41	1.04	1.77	1.46	1.46	1.46	1.46
Provisioning Coverage	%	88.02	83.83	78.84	94.90	91.90	88.90	85.90
Net Infection Ratio	%	0.17	0.17	0.38	0.08	0.12	0.16	0.21
Capital Adequacy Ratio	%	15.09	13.49	14.74	14.88	14.13	13.40	12.43
Leverage Ratio	%	3.98	3.74	3.71	3.71	3.52	3.32	3.02
Operational Analysis		2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E
Market Share - Deposits	%	6.15	6.25	6.98	7.18	7.57	7.99	8.42
Market Share - Advances	%	6.15	7.36	6.98	8.16	8.60	9.08	9.57
Market Share - Investments	%	6.62	5.88	6.60	7.32	7.28	7.29	7.35
No. of Branches		818	956	1079	1218	1375	1551	1751
Investment Ratios		2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E
Dividend Per Share		4.50	7.00	7.00	8.50	7.00	7.50	8.00
Dividend Yield	%	9.97	15.50	15.50	18.83	15.50	16.61	17.72
Dividend Cover	х	3.56	2.40	2.13	2.75	2.61	2.66	2.70
Retention Ratio	%	71.92	58.40	53.05	63.11	63.11	63.11	63.11
Payout Ratio	%	28.08	41.60	46.95	36.89	36.89	36.89	36.89
No. of Shares	('m)	1111	1111	1111	1111	1111	1111	1111
Earnings Per Share		16.03	16.83	14.91	23.40	18.30	19.91	21.63
Book Value Per Share		71.85	80.99	85.69	101.28	113.25	126.47	136.92
Price to Earnings	х	2.82	2.68	3.03	1.93	2.47	2.27	2.09
Price to Book Value	х	0.63	0.56	0.53	0.45	0.40	0.36	0.33

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EPS	Earnings Per Share	DPS	Dividend Per Share	ROE	Return of Equity
ROA	Return on Assets	SOTP	Sum of the Parts	LDCP	Last Day Closing Price

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