

News Release**January 20, 2006****Performance Review – Quarter ended December 31, 2005: 24% year-on-year growth in profit after tax**

The Board of Directors of ICICI Bank Limited (NYSE: IBN) at its meeting held at Mumbai today, approved the audited Indian GAAP accounts of the Bank for the quarter ended December 31, 2005 (Q3-2006).

Highlights

- Profit after tax for Q3-2006 increased 24% to Rs. 640 crore (US\$ 142 million) from Rs. 518 crore (US\$ 115 million) for the quarter ended December 31, 2004 (Q3-2005).
- Operating profit for Q3-2006 increased 55% to Rs. 1,194 crore (US\$ 265 million) from Rs. 771 crore (US\$ 171 million) for Q3-2005.
- Net interest income increased 59% to Rs. 1,167 crore (US\$ 259million) for Q3-2006 from Rs. 733 crore (US\$ 163 million) for Q3-2005.
- Fee income increased 52% to Rs. 846 crore (US\$ 188 million) for Q3-2006 from Rs. 558 crore (US\$ 124 million) for Q3-2005.
- Retail assets increased 70% to Rs. 78,495 crore (US\$ 17.4 billion) at December 31, 2005 from Rs. 46,194 crore (US\$ 10.3 billion) at December 31, 2004. The Bank has the largest retail asset portfolio among Indian banks and finance companies.
- Deposits increased 63% to Rs. 133,881 crore (US\$ 29.7 billion) at December 31, 2005 from Rs. 81,928 crore (US\$ 18.2 billion) at December 31, 2004.
- At December 31, 2005, the Bank's net non-performing assets constituted 0.80% of customer assets against 2.29% at December 31, 2004.
- Profit after tax increased 26% to Rs. 1,750 crore (US\$ 388 million) for the nine months ended December 31, 2005 (9M-2006) from Rs. 1,391 crore (US\$ 309 million) for the nine months ended December 31, 2004 (9M-2005).

Capital raising

The Bank successfully concluded its capital raising exercise, raising a total of Rs. 8,000 crore (US\$ 1.8 billion) through the first simultaneous public issue in India and American Depositary Share (ADS) issue in the United States, with a Public Offering Without Listing (POWL) in Japan. The public issue was subscribed approximately 7 times. The equity shares and ADSs were priced at less than 1% discount to the last closing price on stock exchanges in India and the United States respectively.

Operating review***Credit growth***

Bank's net customer assets increased 50% to Rs. 127,319 crore (US\$ 28.3 billion) at December 31, 2005 compared to Rs. 84,859 crore (US\$ 18.8 billion) at December 31, 2004. The Bank maintained its growth momentum and market leadership in the retail segment. In 9M-2006, the Bank's total retail disbursements were about Rs. 43,200 crore (US\$ 9.6 billion) including home loan disbursements of about Rs. 17,600 crore (US\$ 3.9 billion). Retail assets constituted 64% of advances and 62% of customer assets. The Bank is focusing on loan origination in the retail and agriculture segments and on non-fund based products and services, as well as capitalising on opportunities presented by the domestic and international expansion of Indian companies. The Bank is also extending its reach in the small and medium enterprises segment. The Bank's corporate, small and medium enterprise, rural and agri-business portfolio increased 20% to about Rs. 32,000 crore (US\$ 7.1 billion) at December 31, 2005 from Rs. 26,600 crore (US\$ 5.9 billion) at December 31, 2004 and the loan portfolio of its international branches (including foreign currency financing to Indian companies) increased 192% to about Rs. 12,000 crore (US\$ 2.7 billion) at December 31, 2005.

International operations

ICICI Bank continued to build on its existing presence in various geographies as well as enter new markets. In addition to providing credit and trade finance solutions to Indian companies, the Bank is expanding its international retail franchise through technology-based banking services. Since October 2005, the Bank has opened branches in Hong Kong, Dubai and Sri Lanka. The Bank's wholly-owned banking subsidiaries in Canada and the United Kingdom also opened additional branches during the quarter. The Bank continued to grow its remittance volumes and establish an international private banking franchise, focusing on the non-resident Indian community.

Rural banking

The Bank's rural banking strategy seeks to adopt a holistic approach to the financial services needs of various segments of the rural population, by delivering a comprehensive product suite encompassing credit, transaction banking, deposit, investment and insurance, through a range of channels. The Bank's rural delivery channels include branches, internet kiosks, franchisees and micro-finance institution (MFI) partners.

Network

The Bank had 601 branches and extension counters at December 31, 2005 as compared to 505 branches and extension counters at December 31, 2004.

Capital adequacy

The Bank's capital adequacy at December 31, 2005 was 14.5% (including Tier-1 capital adequacy of 10.5%), excluding Rs. 750 crore on account of the green shoe option and Rs. 555 crore on account of partly paid shares issued to retail investors, compared to RBI's requirement of total capital adequacy of 9.0%.

Asset quality

The Bank's net restructured assets at December 31, 2005 were Rs. 5,437 crore (US\$ 1.2 billion), down from Rs. 6,792 crore (US\$ 1.5 billion) at December 31, 2004. At December 31, 2005, the Bank's net non-performing assets constituted 0.80% of customer assets against 2.29% at December 31, 2004. During Q3-2006, the Bank sold net non-performing assets of Rs. 258 crore (US\$ 57 million) through the first auction of non-performing assets in India.

Group companies

ICICI Securities achieved a profit after tax of Rs. 29 crore (US\$ 6 million) in Q3-2006. ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company (ICICI Lombard) enhanced its leadership position among private sector general insurance companies with a market share of 31% during April-November 2005. ICICI Lombard achieved a profit after tax of Rs. 10 crore (US\$ 2 million) in Q3-2006.

ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company (ICICI Prudential Life) continued to maintain its market leadership among private sector life insurance companies. Life insurance companies worldwide require six to eight years to achieve breakeven, in view of business set-up and customer

acquisition costs in the initial years as well as reserving for actuarial liability. While the growing operations of ICICI Prudential Life had a negative impact of Rs. 49 crore (US\$ 11 million) on the Bank's consolidated profit after tax in Q3-2006 on account of the above reasons, the company's unaudited New Business Achieved Profit (NBAP) for Q3-2006 was Rs. 142 crore (US\$ 32 million). NBAP is a metric for the economic value of the new business written during a defined period. It is measured as the present value of all the future profits for the shareholders, on account of the new business based on standard assumptions of mortality, expenses and other parameters. Internationally, life insurance companies in the growth phase are valued as a multiple of their NBAP.

Prudential ICICI Asset Management Company was the largest private sector mutual fund in India at December 31, 2005 with assets under management of over Rs. 22,000 crore (US\$ 4.9 billion).

Summary Profit and Loss Statement – Indian GAAP

Rs. crore

	Q3-2005	Q3-2006	Growth over Q3-2005	9M-2005	9M-2006	FY2005
Net interest income	733	1,167	59%	2,049	2,971	2,839
Non-interest income (excluding treasury)	692	1,011	46%	1,969	2,790	2,705
- Fee income	558	846	52%	1,513	2,208	2,098
- Lease & other income	134	165	23%	456	582	607
Treasury income	199	168	(16%)	415	591	711
Less:						
Operating expense	644	904	40%	1,795	2,490	2,517
Other DMA ¹ expense	138	172	25%	335	449	485
Lease depreciation	71	76	6%	224	204	297
Operating profit	771	1,194	55%	2,079	3,209	2,956
Provisions ²	108	395 ³	266%	349	997 ³	429
Profit before tax	663	799	21%	1,730	2,212	2,527
Less: Tax	145	159	10%	339	462	522
Profit after tax	518	640	24%	1,391	1,750	2,005

1. Direct marketing agencies / associates.

2. Includes Rs. 74 crore on account of amortization of premium on government securities in Q3-2005, Rs. 220 crore in Q3-2006, Rs. 182 crore in 9M-2005 and Rs. 559 crore in 9M-2006.

3. *RBI has increased the requirement of general provisioning on standard loans (excluding loans to agriculture sector and small and medium enterprises) to 0.40% compared to 0.25% applicable till September 30, 2005. In accordance with the revised guidelines on general provisioning on standard loans, the Bank has made general provision of Rs. 248 crore during 9M-2006. The Bank has reassessed its provision requirement on performing loans and non-performing loans on a portfolio basis at December 31, 2005. Based on this reassessment, the Bank has written back an amount of Rs. 169 crore from its existing provisions against non-performing loans which were in excess of the regulatory requirement.*
4. *The Bank has aligned its accounting policy for subvention income with its accounting policy for direct marketing agency/ associate expenses. Accordingly, subvention income has been accounted for in the period in which it is received instead of over the period of the loan. As a result of the change in policy, the profit after tax for 9M-2006 is higher by Rs. 50 crore.*
5. *All figures have been rounded off to the nearest crore.*

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1 crore = 10.0 million

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