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Sub.: Press Release – Unaudited Standalone and Consolidated Financial Results ("Financial Results") of IDFC FIRST Bank Limited ("Bank") for the quarter and nine months ended December 31, 2024.

Dear Sir / Madam,

Further to our intimation made earlier with regard to the Unaudited Standalone and Consolidated Financial Results of the Bank for the quarter and nine months ended December 31, 2024, we enclose herewith, the Press Release in connection with the Financial Results of the Bank for the above period.

The above information is also being hosted on the Bank's website at www.idfcfirstbank.com, in terms of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended.

Please take the above on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For IDFC FIRST Bank Limited

Satish Gaikwad

General Counsel and Company Secretary

Encl.: As above



IDFC FIRST Bank Q3 FY25 PAT at Rs. 339 crore, Core Operating Profit up 15% YoY.

Mumbai, January 25, 2025: Financial results

IDFC FIRST Bank today the unaudited financial results for the quarter and nine months ended December 31, 2024.

Deposits & Borrowings

- Customer Deposits increased 28.8% YOY from Rs. 1,76,481 crore as of December 31, 2023 to Rs. 2,27,316 crore as of December 31, 2024.
- Retail Deposits grew by 29.6% YOY from Rs. 1,39,431 crore as of December 31, 2023 to Rs. 1,80,752 crore as of December 31, 2024.
- CASA Deposits grew by 32.3% YOY from Rs. 85,492 crore as of December 31, 2023 to Rs. 1,13,078 crore as of December 31, 2024.
- CASA Ratio stood at 47.7% as of December 31, 2024.
- Retail Deposits constitute ~80% of total customer deposits as of December 31, 2024.
- Cost of Funds for the Bank was 6.49% in Q3-FY25. Excluding the high-cost legacy borrowings, the cost of funds was 6.43% in Q3-FY25. The cost of deposits remained stable at 6.38% over Q2 FY 25.

Other Businesses

- Credit card issued by the Bank crosses 3.2 million mark during last quarter.
- Wealth Management AUM (including deposit balances) grew 53% YoY to touch Rs. 42,778 crore
- Fastag: Bank remains the largest issuer bank with 22 million FASTag issued.
- Tax collections: Bank has been empaneled to collect Direct Taxes on behalf of Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) and GST collections on behalf of Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), Govt. of India. Bank has completed technical integration and started collecting taxes.

Loans and Advances

- Loans and Advances (including credit substitutes) increased by 22.0% YOY from Rs. 1,89,475 crore as of December 31, 2023 to Rs. 2,31,074 crore as of December 31, 2024.
- The retail book of the bank grew by **21.3% YoY** while the corporate (non-infrastructure) loans grew by **28.9%** YoY at December 31, 2004.
- The Bank's legacy infrastructure book reduced by **15**% YoY to **Rs. 2,546 crore** as of December 31, 2024, constitutes **1.1%** of the total funded assets of the Bank.
- Microfinance portfolio as % of overall loan book reduced from 5.6% in Sep-2024 to 4.8% in Dec-2024.

Assets Quality

Considering the increase in delinquency of the micro finance business across the industry, the bank is tracking the microfinance business closely. The asset quality indicators, including gross NPA, net NPA, SMA, and Provisions of the Non-microfinance business, which is ~95% of the total loan book, is stable.

NPA Details

- Gross NPA was 1.94% as of December 31, 2024, against 2.04% as of December 31, 2023.
- Net NPA was 0.52% as of December 31, 2024, against 0.68% as of December 31, 2023.
- Excluding micro-finance business, the GNPA was at 1.81% as of December 31, 2024 as compared to 1.88% as of September 30, 2024



- **Gross NPA** of the **Retail, Rural and MSME Finance** stood at **1.63**% as of December 31, 2024 as compared to **1.45**% as of December 31, 2023.
- Net NPA of the Retail, Rural and MSME Finance was 0.59% as of December 31, 2024 and 0.51% as of December 31, 2023.
- PCR of the bank stood at 73.6% as of December 31, 2024 as compared to 66.9% as of December 31, 2023.
- The gross slippage for Q3-FY25 was **Rs. 2,192 crore** as compared to **Rs. 2,031 crores** in Q2 FY 2025, an increase of **Rs. 162** crores. Majority of the increase in slippage during Q3FY 25 was from the microfinance business which constituted Rs. 143 crores out of the said Rs. 162 crores. Hence, gross slippage on the Retail, MSME, Agri and Corporate Loans, i.e the non-microfinance business was stable. These businesses constituted ~95% of the total book of the Bank.

• SMA Positions:

- **SMA-1+2** in Retail, Rural and MSME Finance portfolio excluding the micro-finance book improved by 3 bps on QoQ basis from **0.85**% as of September 30, 2024 to **0.82**% as of December 31, 2024.
- **SMA-1+2** in all the key products including Mortgages, Vehicle Loans, Personal Loans and Credit Cards remained stable as compared to Q2 FY25.
- The **SMA-1+2** in the micro-finance business increased to **4.56%** as of December 31, 2024 from **2.54%** as of September 30, 2024.

Provisions:

- Provisions for Q3 FY25 stood at **Rs. 1,338 crore**, driven by the higher slippages in in the Micro-Finance book. Excluding micro-finance, the provisions were stable for the Non-microfinance book.
- The Bank has not utilized any micro-finance provision buffers in Q3-FY25 during the quarter on a prudent basis.
- The annualized provision for Q3-FY25 including micro-finance stood at **2.31**% of the total funded assets.
- Excluding the micro-finance portfolio, the quarterly annualized credit cost for the loan book for Q3-FY25 was stable at 1.8%.
- The incremental disbursals in micro-finance are insured by **CGFMU**. The **insurance coverage** of the overall portfolio has increased from 0% to **58%** in one year.

Profitability

- Net Interest Income (NII) grew 14% YOY from Rs. 4,287 crore in Q3 FY24 to Rs. 4,902 crore in Q3 FY25. For the 9M-FY25, the growth of NII was 20.1% on YoY basis.
- Net Interest Margin (NIM) of the Bank was at 6.04% for Q3-FY25 as compared to 6.18% in Q2-FY25. NIM
 declined during the quarter largely due to decline in the micro-finance business and increase in
 composition of Wholesale Banking business.
- **Fee and Other Income** grew by **20%** YOY from **Rs. 1,469 crore** in Q3 FY24 to **Rs. 1,757 crore** in Q3 FY25. For the **9M-FY25**, the growth of Fee and Other Income was **18.9%** on YoY basis.
- Operating income grew 15% from Rs. 5,803 crore in Q3 FY24 to Rs. 6,682 crore in Q3 FY25. For the 9M-FY25, the growth of Operating Income was 19.4% on YoY basis.
- Operating Expense grew by 16% YOY from Rs. 4,241 crore in Q3 FY24 to Rs. 4,923 crore in Q3 FY25. For the 9M-FY25, the growth of Operating Expenses was 18.2% on YoY basis.
- Core Operating Profit (excluding trading gain) grew by 15% YOY from Rs. 1,515 crore in Q3 FY24 to Rs. 1,736 crore for Q3 FY25, impacted by micro-finance business.



- Including trading gains, operating profit increased by 13% YOY. For the 9M-FY25. The Core Operating Profit (excluding trading gains) was 23.9% on YoY basis.
- Net Profit de-grew by 53% from Rs.716 crore in Q3 FY24 to Rs. 339 Crore in Q3 FY25, sequentially it grew by 69% QoQ from Rs. 201 crore in Q2 FY25. For the 9M-FY25, the Net profit decreased by 45.3% on YoY basis. The profit was largely impacted by reduced income from slowing down disbursal of micro-finance loans, increase in provisions on micro-finance and normalization of credit costs of non-microfinance business.

Capital Position

- The Bank successfully completed merger with IDFC Ltd in October 2024 through which Rs. 618 crore of
 capital have been added to the net-worth whereas, the outstanding share count has reduced by 16.64
 crore shares.
- Including profits for 9M-FY25 and post the impact of merger as mentioned above, total CRAR as on December 31, 2024 would have been **16.11%** with CET-1 ratio of **13.68%**.

Comments from Managing Director & CEO

Mr. V Vaidyanathan, Managing Director and CEO, IDFC FIRST Bank, said,

"Our bank continues to grow well on loans and deposits. Our customer deposits is growing strongly at 29% YoY to reach Rs. 2,27,316 crores, with the CASA ratio sustaining at 48%. The loans & advances grew steadily by 22% YoY to reach Rs. 2,31,074 Crores."

We are specifically tracking Micro-finance loan book closely considering the industry situation. The asset quality of the overall Bank's loan book is stable with Gross NPA at 1.94% and Net NPA at 0.52%. Excluding the micro-finance loan book, the GNPA and NNPA of the book of the bank is even lower 1.81% and 0.49%.

The credit issues in Microfinance segment as a transitionary issue which is likely to be resolved within a few quarters. The Bank built this business because it was important from priority sector lending norms point of view, particularly meeting PSL norms for Weaker Sections and Small and marginal farmers PSL categories.

All other businesses being built as part of universal banking, including deposits, loans, Credit Cards, Wealth, Cash Management, Corporate Banking, Fastag, Gold Loans are doing well. Over the next few years, the C:I will come down because of operating leverage, as we scale up. As mentioned earlier, the bank is growing steadily in scale."



About IDFC FIRST Bank

Vision: IDFC FIRST Bank is building a world-class bank in India, guided by four core principles: Ethical Banking, Customer-Friendly Banking, Digital Banking, and Social Good Banking.

IDFC FIRST Bank was created by the merger of infrastructure financing Giant IDFC Bank and retail financing specialist Capital First in December 2018. Earlier, IDFC Bank launched commercial Banking operations in 2016.

"Universal" Bank: IDFC FIRST Bank offers products and services across all segments including Retail, MSME, Rural, startups, Corporate Banking, Cash Management, Wealth Management, Retail Deposits, Government Banking, Working Capital, Trade Finance, and Treasury solutions.

Ethical Banking: The Bank follows a "Near and Dear" test to ensure that all products are so friendly that the employees can confidently recommend to their loved ones. The Bank holds the belief that income earned unethically is not worth earning. The bank is committed to doing right by customers, even when no one is watching.

In line with the above, the Bank has simplified descriptions, calculations, and legal jargon to avoid confusing customers. The Bank offers zero fees on most services in savings accounts, such as SMS alerts, IMPS, RTGS, NEFT, cash deposits, non-home branch access, ATM and branch cash withdrawals, third-party transactions, cheque books, demand drafts, pay orders, duplicate statements, and other commonly charged services. It is the first and only bank in India till date to do so.

Customer Friendly Banking: IDFC FIRST Bank provides monthly interest credit on savings accounts. In credit cards, the Bank offers lifetime free cards without minimum spend conditions, rewards points that do not expire, zero interest on cash withdrawal at ATMs and dynamic low APR. Fees, if applicable are transparent and clearly described for easy understanding. We love making great products that customer love to have.

Technology led banking: The Bank has built a modern technology stack which has enabled the Bank to offer our customers an advanced mobile banking app with 250 features. It has a high rating of 4.8 on Google Playstore and Appstore. FORRESTER the internationally renowned rating entity has rated the app the best in India and among the top 20 apps in the world for two years in a row.

The advanced technology stack has also enabled us to offer high quality service across all channels including mobile banking, branch, internet banking, Call Centre, Relationship Managers, and all other channels.

Social Good Banking: The Bank's business is inherently designed to promote financial inclusion while maintaining consistently high asset quality. The Bank has financed over 40 million customers, including 16 million lifestyle improvement loans for laptops, washing machines and such purposes, 15 million loans to 4.3 million women entrepreneurs, 6.5 million loans for two-wheelers and cars, 1 million sanitation loans for toilets, water fittings etc., 1 million livelihood loans for cattle, 3,00,000 SME loans and 1,00,000 Home loans.

ESG Goals: The Bank is incorporating ESG in every aspect of working and has high ESG scores. The Bank believes that to get an opportunity to create a new age, ethical and world class Bank for India is a great privilege for its employees.