



## **Bid for Long Term**

Key Data	
Floor Price (Rs)	293.5
Face Value (Rs)	10/-
Issue Size (Rs)	1100cr
Total offered shares	3,75Cr.
Retail	
Issue Opens	November 25, 2019
Issue Closes	November 25, 2019
Offered shares	75Lac
NSE Code	RITES
BSE Code	541556
52 Week High	324.80
52 Week Low	201
Source: BSE India	

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### RITES LTD

#### **Company Background:**

RITES Ltd. is a Government of India Enterprise, established in 1974, under the aegis of Indian Railways, RITES Ltd is incorporated in India as a Public Limited Company under the Companies Act, 1956 and is governed by a Board of Directors which includes professionals from various sectors of engineering and management.

RITES Ltd is a leading player in the transport consultancy and engineering sector in India and the only company possessing diversified services and geographical reach in this field is a wholly owned Government Company, a Miniratna (Category - I) Schedule 'A' Public Sector Enterprise.

Company provides a comprehensive array of services under a single roof and believes in transfer of technology to client organizations. In overseas projects, RITES actively pursues and develops co-operative links with local consultants / firms, as means of maximum utilization of local resources and as an effective instrument of sharing its expertise. Along with significant presence in transport infrastructure in railway sector, the company also provides consultancy services across various infrastructure and energy sectors including urban transport, roads and highways, ports, inland waterways, airports, institutional buildings, ropeways, power procurement and renewable energy.

RITES Ltd has an experience of over four decades and has undertaken projects in over 55 countries including Asia, Latin America, Africa, South America, and Middle East regions. Additionally, the company is the only export arm of Indian Railway for providing rolling stock overseas.

#### Issue Details:

The promoter of the company – The President of India, acting through and represented by the Ministry of Railways, Government of India, proposes to sell up to 2.5Cr. equity shares representing 10% of the total paid-up equity share capital of the company and face value of Rs. 10/- each, with an option to additionally sell up to 1.25Cr. equity shares representing 5% of the total paid-up equity share capital of the company. The floor price has been set at Rs. 293.5/- per share. Retail Investors will be allocated shares at a discount of 5 % to the cut-off price

#### **Allocation Methodology:**

The allocation would be made on price priority method at multiple clearing prices in accordance with the SEBI OFS circular. The issue opens for subscription on November 22, 2019 for institutional bidders. Retails investors for whom 20% shares have been reserved will get to bid on November 25, 2019.

#### **Rationales:**

#### Order book provides strong visibility:

RITES standalone order book as on 30 September 2019 stand at Rs 5833Cr which is at 3 times of its F19 revenue. Order book is expected to grow by +7 % in FY20 over FY19 which provides strong revenue visibility for next 2-3 years. The Order book is well diversified with high margin consultancy and low margin turnkey business contributing 41 percent each 16% pertains to exports order whereas as leasing business contributes least at 2.5%. RITES has a competitive edge in winning orders owing to its over four decades of experience in transport infrastructure consultancy and its association with Ministry of Railways. Moreover, Company is nominated by Ministry of Railways to undertake various EPC orders.

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#### Marquee Clientele list

RITES have a vast clientele in domestic market including various central and state government ministries, departments, instrumentalities as well as local government bodies and public sector undertakings. Clientele includes Indian Railways, NTPC, Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited, High Speed Rail Corporation of India Limited, Public Works Department, DMRC, Steel Authority of India Limited, Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, Bharat Coking Coal Limited, Metro Link Express for Gandhinagar and Ahmedabad (MEGA) Company Limited, Indian Port Rail Corporation Limited, and Airports Authority of India.

In private sector, L&T Metro Rail (Hyderabad) Limited, Kanti Bijlee Utpadan Nigam Limited (KBUNL), Cimmco Limited, Titagrah Wagons Limited, Snowmex Engineers Limited, Unity Infraprojects Limited, Rajdeep Buildcon Private Limited, Mahalsa Constructions Private Limited, Marymatha Constructions Limited, AFCON Infrastructure Limited, INCAP, ARK Services, MNEC Consultants Private Limited, Indian Geotechnical Services Limited, Geokno India Private Limited and NATRIP Implementation Society are the clients.

#### Government's push on Infrastructure development

Government is expected to invest heavily in the infrastructure sector, mainly for highways, railways, renewable energy and urban transport. The Government in the Union budget 2019-20 has announced a plan to spend Rs 100 lakh crore on infrastructure in the next five years. Government investment has witnessed steep rise over the last few years, with continuation of policies within transportation infrastructure, the sector is set to open up large addressable market for RITES.

#### Strong financial performance led by consistent and profitable growth

Over the years, Rites has a successful track record of delivering consistent growth in sales and profits. In the last three years FY17-FY19, RITES's operating revenues and profitability have grown by a CAGR of 23% and 18% respectively. Further, during the same period, company's operating profit grew by a CAGR of 18%. The company's operating margin has improved from 26% in FY17 to 29 % in FY19. RITES being a consulting firm works on an asset light model with Employees as its key asset. Further, Company as on date has very low debt on its balance sheet with Debt/Equity at 0.01x.

#### **Recommendations:**

At the floor price of Rs 293.5 /-, the stock trades at 15.62x its FY19 EPS of Rs. 18.78. We believe RITES is a niche player providing design, engineering and consultancy services in transportation infrastructure and is well-positioned to gain traction in the infrastructure sector on the back of an impressive execution track record, a strong balance sheet with healthy return ratios. Hence, we recommend to **BID** for the OFS on a long-term basis.

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