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Gujarat State Petronet Ltd

Gujarat State Petronet Limited (GSPL) is a natural gas infrastructure and transmission company engaged in gas transportation business. The Company is engaged in transmission of natural gas through pipelines on an open access basis from supply points to demand centers. It also generates electricity through windmills. In the immediate future key positive are softening of LNG prices, recent rupee appreciation, and possibility of ban on use of polluting fuels like furnace oil and pet coke. In the medium to long term, earnings are expected to improve due to upward pipeline tariff revision and higher natural gas transmission. GSPL's management is optimistic about tariff hike by Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB). Additionally, rising city gas distribution growth opportunities, potential shift to natural due environmental/pollution norms (industrial / CNG) and volumes from Mundra LNG terminal adds support to long term volumes. Going forward, the company is expected to report higher volumes as incremental demand comes from existing players will start to show in the numbers. Also fall in import duty of LNG will boost demand. Government is encouraging the use of LNG/natural gas in the country and it is poised to benefit from it. Increasing volumes backed by increase in demand coupled with tariff revision from PNGRB will increase profitability of the company. The company has reported a healthy return on equity of 14% in FY18 as compared to \sim 12 during FY14-17. Hence Buy.

BUY	
СМР	₹188

Stock Info			
Sector		Gas Dis	stribution
Market Cap (` cr)			10,628
52 Week High / Low			210/149
Avg. Daily Volume		39984.04	
Face Value (`)			10
BSE Sensex			36,170
Nifty		10,859	
Reuters Code GS			GSPT.BO
Bloomberg Code GUJS I			GUJS IN
Shareholding Pattern (%	b)		
Promoters			37.7
MF / Banks / Indian Fls			31.4
FII / NRIs / OCBs			17.0
Indian Public / Others			13.9
Abs. (%)	3m	1yr	3yr
Sensex	(6.6)	7.6	38.4
GSPL	2.5	(8.5)	41.1

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Ratings (Based on expected returns over 12 months investment period):

Buy (> 15%)

Accumulate (5% to 15%)

Reduce (-5% to -15%)

Neutral (-5 to 5%)

Sell (< -15)