VALUATION OF SHARES / BUSINESS

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Overview

Subjective

Value varies with situation

Not an Exact Science

Date Specific

More of an Art

Value - Price



WHEN IS VALUATION REQUIRED?

1. Restructuring:

- Relative Valuation during-
 - Amalgamation- Swap Ratio
 - Demerger- Entitlement Ratio
- Fair Valuation for-
 - Purchase / Sale of Business
 - Buy Back Of Shares

2. For Income Tax Purposes-

- Transfer Pricing
- Section 56 (2)

3. For FEMA:

Shares of Indian Co. issued / transferred to a Non-Resident:

- Quoted as per SEBI guidelines
- <u>Unquoted</u> Any internationally accepted valuation methodology

4. As per SEBI guidelines-

- Merger/ Demerger approval
- Preferential Allotment
- Delisting

5. For Accounting Purposes:

- Purchase Price Allocation
- For various Ind AS including-
 - Ind AS 38 Intangible Assets
 - Ind AS 103 Business Combinations
 - Ind AS 36 Impairment of Assets
 - Ind AS 28 Investment in Associates and Joint Ventures
- Valuation to be done as per Ind AS 113 Fair Value Measurement

6. For Other purposes like

- Family Separation
- Portfolio value of investments
- Litigation etc.



COMMONLY USED VALUATION METHODOLOGIES

Valuation Methodologies

Earnings Based Approach

Earnings Multiple

 Discounted Cash Flow

Market Approach

Market Price

 Market Comparables

Asset Based Approach

Net Assets

 Replacement value/ Realisable value

Common adjustments

- Contingent Liabilities/Assets
- Investments
- Surplus Assets
- Preference Shares
- ESOPs / Warrants
- Tax concessions
- Auditors Qualification
- Findings of Due Diligence Reviews



Reaching a Recommendation

- Methods throw a range of values
- Consider the relevance of each methodology depending upon the purpose and premise of valuation
- Mathematical weightage
- Professional judgment
- Subjective Value



Critical Aspects - Valuation

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- Issues in forecasting
- Selection of methods
- Difficulty in obtaining comparable multiples
- Thinly traded/ Dormant Scrip Low Floating Stock, Unusual fluctuations in Market Price
- Loss making companies

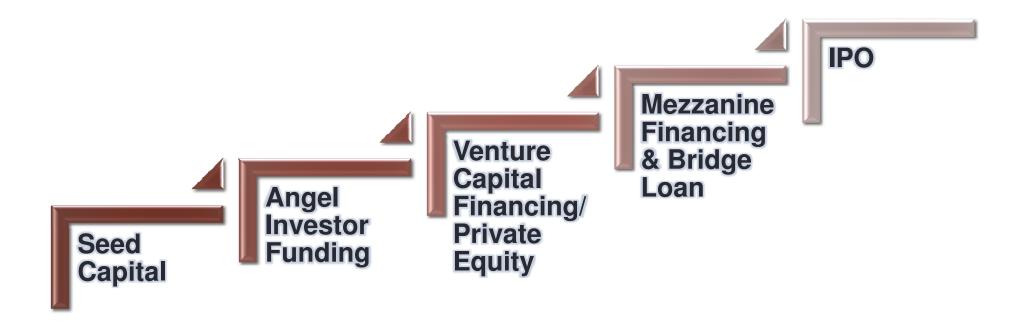
Critical Aspects - Valuation

- Illiquidity discount & control premium
- Transaction Structure
- Procedural and Regulatory Issues
- Relying on Technical Valuer's Report
- Joint Reports
- Fairness Opinion by Merchant Bankers
- Management Representations



VALUATION OF START-UPS

Stages Of Start-up Funding



Irony Of Start-up Funding

- Generally, Investors require the start-up to grow multiple times within a short span. If they don't, more cash will come at unfavourable terms or they may run out of cash
- Hence two funding strategies:
 - 1) Raise maximum at highest possible valuation and spend all money fast to grow as fast as possible. Higher valuation results in lower dilution of initial stage
 - 2) Raise only for critical needs. Spend only on needed. Aim steady growth. It may not get in news but surely higher valuation in next round

Investor's Perspective

- When can they exit?
- Value at time of exit?
- Funding required till exit?
- Means of exit other than IPO?

Other Valuation Factors:

- Clicks (Direct/ Indirect)
- Number of Users
- Turnover
- Ad Spend
- Search Engine Ad Spend
- Online Banner / Ad Campaign
- Number of Orders

E-Comm Co. v/s Traditional Co.

Flipkart

FY 2014-15

- GMV of ~INR 25,000 crs
- Sales of INR 10,390 crs
- Loss of INR 1,933 crs
- Valuation as per recent funding: INR ~77,000 crs

Value – INR 75,000 crs

Bajaj Auto

- Incorporated in 1930's
- World's 6th Largest
 Manufacturer of Motorcycles
- World's largest 3-wheeler manufacturer
- Cumulative 5 Years profit of INR ~15,440 Crs



JUDICIAL PRONOUNCEMENTS

Judicial Pronouncements

- "Exchange Ratio not disturbed by Courts unless objected and found grossly unfair"
 - Miheer H. Mafatlal Vs. Mafatlal Industries (1996) 87 Com Cases 792
 - Dinesh v. Lakhani Vs. Parke-Davis (India) Ltd. (2003) 47 SCL 80 (Bom)
- "DCF Method is an acceptable method. A combination of methods can be accepted for valuation. Intrinsic value cannot include control premium."
 - Mrs Renuka Datla V/s Solvay Pharmaceutical B.V. & Ors. (2003)
- "It is fair to use combination of three well known methods asset value, yield value & market value"
 - Hindustan Lever Employees 'Union Vs. HLL (1995) 83 Com. Case 30
 SC

Judicial Pronouncements

- "Courts do not have the expertise, the time or the means to carry out a valuation itself. What the Court's approach must be to examine whether or not a valuation report is demonstrated to be so unjust, so unreasonable and so unfair that it could result and result only in a manifest and demonstrable, inequity or injustice."
- "No valuation is to be disregarded merely because it has used one or the other of various methods. It <u>must be shown</u> that the chosen <u>method of valuation</u> is such as <u>has resulted in an artificially depressed or contrived valuation</u> well below what a fair-minded person may consider reasonable."
 - Cadbury India Limited Vs. Mrs Malati Samant and Mr Alok C.
 Churiwala (Samant Group and Churiwala Group) (2014) (Bom HC)

THANK YOU!