

Annual Report Analysis (Consolidated)

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Investor Snapshot

#	Analytical Point	Sentiment
1	SpiceJet operates as a distressed regional player with a 90% load factor, yet core revenue collapsed 24.8% YoY due to fleet grounding and loss of trunk market share.	☐
2	Revenue fell to 53,256.91 Cr as operational capacity shrank, forcing a strategic pivot toward niche "Spiritual Tourism" and UDAN routes to avoid direct competition.	☐
3	Operating margins are under severe pressure; the company is utilizing unpaid statutory dues (TDS/ GST) as an informal source of working capital.	☐
4	Reported PAT of 526.19 Cr is a non-cash accounting artifact, entirely manufactured by 13,177.33 Cr in liability write-backs despite deep operational losses.	☐
5	The balance sheet is technically insolvent with a negative Net Worth of 19,423.73 Cr and a staggering working capital gap of 39,424.48 Cr.	☐
6	Cash flow remains in triage mode; while a ₹3,000 Cr QIP provided a lifeline, funds were diverted to legacy taxes rather than accretive growth.	☐
7	Future capital commitments for aircraft acquisition stand at 62,486.93 Cr, representing an unsustainable 11.7x multiple of current annual revenue.	☐
8	Earnings quality is at a nadir as the "Return to Service" program for 19 engines has yet to translate into organic, cash-backed profitability.	☐
9	Governance risks are extreme following the resignation of statutory auditors and a 320 Cr interest-free advance to the CMD during a liquidity crisis.	☐
10	Terminal risks include the 5,790 Cr Maran litigation and potential NCLT admission if lessor settlements or aircraft commitments fail.	☐
11	The outlook depends on a "Phoenix" turnaround narrative that requires massive fleet restoration and a 50%+ revenue surge to achieve viability.	☐
12	Investment View: AVOID; monitor the recovery of contract liabilities to > 4,000 Cr and the full repayment of the CMD advance before re-evaluating.	☐

1. BUSINESS OVERVIEW (In Bullet Points)

- **Business Segments:** The company operates primarily in scheduled air transport (Passenger Core), accounting for 92.43% of turnover. Cargo operations (SpiceXpress) have been transitioned into a separate subsidiary via a slump sale to protect cargo assets from airline creditors.
- **Revenue Drivers:** Shifting toward "Spiritual and Regional Tourism" (Maha Kumbh, Haj, UDAN) to capture high-yield seasonal demand and government subsidies. Revenue is recognized on a "flown basis," including "breakage revenue" from unutilized tickets.

- **Cost Drivers:** Heavily impacted by Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) (38.52% of revenue), lease charges, and maintenance. Supplemental lease charges are variable payments based on aircraft utilization.
- **Industry Position:** Positioned as a "UDAN Specialist" in the Regional Connectivity Scheme, providing a moat through exclusive rights and Viability Gap Funding (VGF), though market share on trunk routes is declining.
- **Expansion Plans:** Focus on international regional points (Phuket, Kathmandu) and domestic spiritual hubs (Prayagraj).
- **Fleet & Capacity:** Pivoting from new inductions to a "Return to Service" program to overhaul 19 grounded engines. Heavy reliance on "wet leases" (aircraft + crew) during peak periods due to internal capacity constraints.
- **Geographical Presence:** 34.38% of revenue is derived from international operations (₹18,311.65 Cr), providing a partial natural hedge against INR depreciation.

2. MANAGEMENT COMMENTARY & OUTLOOK

- **Strategy Pivot:** Transitioning from "Survival via Default" to "Survival via Dilution" through a ₹3,000 Cr QIP and massive debt-to-equity swaps with lessors (converting \$54M of dues into equity at ₹42.32/share).
- **Growth/Margin Guidance:** Management is targeting a "Phoenix-like" turnaround by focusing on niche, high-yield routes and spiritual tourism to avoid predatory competition on trunk routes.
- **Demand Environment:** High load factors (90%) reported, though forward-booking confidence is under pressure as evidenced by a 45.6% drop in contract liabilities.
- **Operational Recovery:** Partnership with StandardAero and Carlyle Aviation to fix the grounded fleet is central to reducing fixed-cost drags.
- **Regulatory Compliance:** Management claims "Nil Level 1 findings" in DGCA audits to restore the brand's safety perception.
- **Long-term Vision:** Aiming to leverage the recapitalized balance sheet to move from "triage mode" to sustainable regional leadership.
- **Management Tone:** The tone is aggressively optimistic and triumphant, utilizing high-velocity language ("landmark year," "resilience") to highlight a positive net worth (₹683 Cr post-QIP). However, this narrative appears distractive, as the "turnaround" is currently a balance sheet event (driven by accounting write-backs and equity infusion) rather than an operational income statement event. The reliance on QIP funds to fill old holes (statutory dues) rather than build new runways suggests a management team still in firefighting mode.

3. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

3.1 Financial Statements

No pre-extracted tables available.

3.2 Financial Analysis Summary

- **Revenue** from operations collapsed by 24.83% YoY to ₹53,256.91 Cr, a decline primarily attributed to a shrinking operational fleet and the inability to maintain aircraft, which is further evidenced by the 45.6% drop in contract liabilities (advance ticket sales) to ₹2,337.29 Cr on the **Balance Sheet**, signaling severely diminished consumer forward-booking confidence.
- While the company reported a **PAT** of ₹526.19 Cr, this figure is fundamentally decoupled from operational reality as it was manufactured by ₹13,177.33 Cr of "Liabilities written back" classified under **Other Income**;

excluding these non-cash accounting gains, the core business generated an operating loss exceeding ₹12,000 Cr, highlighting a total lack of **CFO** generation from flight operations.

- The **Balance Sheet** remains in a state of technical insolvency with a negative **Net Worth** of ₹19,423.73 Cr and a staggering **Working Capital** gap of ₹39,424.48 Cr, where current liabilities are nearly 5x current assets, forcing the company to rely on "Going Concern" assumptions based on speculative future fund infusions.
- **Finance Cost** of ₹2,944.72 Cr remains a heavy burden on the **P&L**, with ₹1,166.21 Cr specifically tied to interest on lease liabilities, while the **Balance Sheet** masks the true scale of leverage through ₹7,806.81 Cr in short-term lease expenses kept off-balance sheet as ROU assets.
- **Trade Payables** of ₹23,884.31 Cr reflect extreme liquidity distress, with ageing data revealing ₹2,341.23 Cr of "Other" payables outstanding for over 3 years, effectively using vendor defaults as a forced source of **Working Capital** to sustain minimal operations.
- **Cash Flow** quality is further compromised by significant impairments, including ₹227.65 Cr for advances and ₹326.81 Cr for **Trade Receivables**, while the company utilized ₹26,995.40 Cr of fresh QIP proceeds primarily to clear long-standing **Statutory Dues Payable** (TDS, GST, PF) which had ballooned to ₹8,075.20 Cr in the prior year.
- Capital allocation raises severe governance concerns as the company provided a ₹320.00 Cr interest-free advance to the CMD during an "exceptional financial crisis," while simultaneously facing a terminal risk from **Aircraft Acquisition Commitments** of ₹624,869.34 Cr—nearly 12x annual **Revenue**—which the current **Balance Sheet** cannot realistically support.
- **Total Debt** and lease obligations saw a nominal reduction to ₹42,261.54 Cr, but this was largely driven by lease modifications and settlements rather than organic repayment from **CFO**, as evidenced by the settlement of the ₹7,554.55 Cr EDC liability for a fraction of its value.
- **Asset Turnover** and efficiency are deteriorating as **Revenue** falls faster than the fixed cost base, with **Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF)** consuming 38.52% of **Revenue** and **Supplemental lease charges** of ₹4,035.59 Cr remaining high despite lower fleet utilization.
- **Other Assets** are dominated by ₹7,805.17 Cr deposited with the Delhi High Court (restricted cash in litigation) and ₹5,527.69 Cr in balances with government authorities (GST/Tax credits), which do not provide immediate liquidity. **Other Expenses** were bloated by ₹227.65 Cr in impairment of advances and ₹148.42 Cr in impairment of capital advances, reflecting losses from stalled projects and non-recoverable vendor dues.
- The company's survival is contingent on the resolution of massive **Contingent Liabilities**, including the ₹5,790.89 Cr Maran/KAL Airways dispute and ongoing insolvency filings by lessors under Section 9 of the IBC, which represent immediate threats to the corporate entity's existence.
- SpiceJet's FY2025 performance reflects a business in deep structural distress, where a nominal **PAT** driven by massive non-cash write-backs masks a collapsing **Revenue** trajectory, a deeply insolvent **Balance Sheet** with negative **Net Worth**, and a total dependence on external equity infusions to settle chronic defaults in **Trade Payables** and statutory obligations.

3.3 Contingent Liabilities & Commitments

- **Aircraft Acquisition Commitments:** ₹624,869.34 Cr (Massive Capex Risk; 12x annual revenue).
- **Maran/KAL Airways Dispute:** ₹5,790.89 Cr (Sub-judice; significant cash outflow risk if appeals fail).
- **Service Tax Demands:** ₹3,712.47 Cr (Disputed).
- **Income Tax (TDS) Claims:** ₹1,066.02 Cr (Disputed).
- **IGST on Overseas Repairs:** ₹619.58 Cr (Under Appeal).
- **Insolvency Petitions:** Several lessors have filed for insolvency under Section 9 of the IBC, representing a terminal risk to the corporate entity.

3.9 Earnings Quality & Forensic Checks

#	Check	Impact	Status	Evidence	Notes Detail
1	PAT vs CFO trend	Profit ↑ — non-cash liability write-backs of ₹13,177 Cr mask deep operational cash losses.	□	PAT ₹526.19 Cr vs ₹13,177.33 Cr write-backs	Note 32: Liabilities written back are the primary driver of reported net profit.
2	Receivables & channel-stuffing signal	Revenue ↓ — revenue fell 24.8% while inventory rose 3.3%, indicating poor stock turnover.	□	Revenue ₹53,256.91 Cr (-24.8%); Inventory ₹1,777.80 Cr (+3.3%)	Note 31 & Note 13: Decline driven by fleet reduction; 26.3% of receivables overdue >3 years.
3	Revenue timing	Revenue ↓ — contract liabilities dropped 45%, signaling a sharp decline in forward bookings.	□	Contract liabilities fell from ₹4,297.34 Cr to ₹2,337.29 Cr	Note 31: Significant decrease in advance ticket sales reflects reduced capacity and consumer confidence.
4	Revenue from related parties %	Neutral — revenue is primarily B2C passenger fares with negligible related party sales.	□	Passenger revenue ₹48,688.84 Cr (91.4% of total)	Note 2(A)(h): Revenue recognized on flown basis; breakage revenue based on management estimates.
5	Inventory vs revenue growth	Profit ↓ — inventory grew 3.3% despite 24.8% revenue drop, increasing carrying cost pressure.	□	Inventory ₹1,777.80 Cr vs Revenue ₹53,256.91 Cr	Note 31: Operational fleet reduction not matched by proportional inventory liquidation.
6	Inventory valuation method change	Neutral — no change in valuation policy; valued at lower of cost or NRV.	□	Inventory valued at lower of cost and net realizable value	Note 2(A)(g): Cost determined on a weighted average basis; consistent with prior year.
7	Exceptional items in operating profit	Profit ↑ — massive non-recurring write-backs and lease derecognition gains inflate the operating result.	□	₹13,177.33 Cr write-backs and ₹516.65 Cr lease gains	Note 32: Other income includes significant non-cash gains from settlements and derecognition.
8	Depreciation rate vs useful life policy	Profit ↑ — aircraft depreciation over 20 years may understate annual P&L charge.	□	Aircraft useful life 8–20 years; FX losses capitalized	Note 2(A)(d): Capitalization of FX losses on long-term monetary items defers P&L impact.
9	Provision reversals boosting PAT	Profit ↑ — reversal of historical liabilities and lease obligations directly creates accounting profit.	□	₹13,177.33 Cr liabilities written back in FY2025	Note 32: Non-cash gains from creditor settlements are the sole reason for profitability.
10	Tax rate consistency	Neutral — no tax expense recognized due to massive accumulated losses and uncertainty.	□	Zero tax expense; no DTA recognized on losses	Note 2(A)(j): Deferred tax assets not recognized due to lack of virtual certainty.
11	CWIP age and stalling projects	Profit ↓ — impairment of capital advances indicates losses from stalled or cancelled projects.	□	₹148.42 Cr impairment of capital advances in FY2025	Note 37: Significant write-offs of advances for aircraft and parts due to non-recoverability.
12	Deferred tax asset recognition adequacy	Neutral — conservative stance taken by not recognizing DTA on carry-forward business losses.	□	Unrecognized DTA on massive carry-forward losses	Note 2(A)(j): Management avoids overstating assets by not recognizing DTA amidst insolvency risk.
13	RPT quantum and trend		□		Note 16.B: Advance provided for 5 years during liquidity

#	Check	Impact	Status	Evidence	Notes Detail
		Profit ↓ — ₹320 Cr interest-free advance to CMD signals potential value leakage.		₹320.00 Cr interest-free advance to Mr. Ajay Singh	crisis is a governance concern.
14	Dividend paid vs FCF adequacy	Neutral — no dividends paid given negative net worth and severe liquidity constraints.	□	Dividend: Nil; Negative Net Worth ₹19,423.73 Cr	Note 2.A.iii: Material uncertainty regarding going concern precludes any shareholder distributions.
15	Auditor Independence Concerns	Neutral — Auditor resignation citing non-audit service conflicts.	□	Walker Chandio & Co LLP resigned June 2025.	Auditor change during financial distress is a high-risk signal regarding "Going Concern" sign-offs.
16	Statutory Dues Mismanagement	Profit ↑ — Using government dues as working capital.	□	₹3,225.26 Cr unpaid dues post-QIP.	Note 47: Admission of delays in depositing TDS, PF, and GST despite fresh capital infusion.
17	Off-Balance Sheet Leverage	Profit ↑ — Understating liabilities via short-term lease classification.	□	₹7,806.81 Cr short-term lease expense.	Note 44: Significant aircraft obligations kept off-balance sheet, masking true operational leverage.

4. MANAGEMENT & GOVERNANCE

A. Auditor Report & Key Audit Matters * **Audit Opinion: *Qualified Opinion***. The auditors highlighted material uncertainty related to going concern and significant delays in depositing undisputed statutory dues. * **KAM - Maintenance Provisions:** Auditors identified the estimation of aircraft maintenance and redelivery provisions as a Key Audit Matter due to the complexity of technical estimates and the materiality of the balances. * **KAM - Impairment of Assets:** The assessment of the recoverable amount of the fleet (CGUs) using Value-in-Use calculations with a 17.30% discount rate was a key focus area. * **Emphasis of Matter - Maran Dispute:** Auditors highlighted the ongoing litigation with erstwhile promoters regarding the ₹5,790.90 Cr advance and associated interest, noting the matter is sub-judice. * **Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern:** The auditors noted a negative net worth of ₹1,942.37 Cr and current liabilities exceeding current assets by ₹3,942.45 Cr, casting significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. * **Auditor Change:** M/s. Walker Chandio & Co LLP resigned on June 13, 2025, citing that proposed non-audit services would impair independence requirements. M/s Kalyaniwalla & Mistry LLP was appointed to fill the casual vacancy.

B. Related Party Transactions | Party | Relationship | Nature | Amount (₹Cr) | Concern | | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
 | **Ajay Singh** | Promoter/CMD | **Interest-free Advance** | 320.00 Cr | **High: 6x annual PAT; provided during liquidity crisis** | | **Promoter Group** | Promoter | **Warrant Conversion** | 1,272.72 Cr | **High: Conversion at 29.84 vs QIP price of 61.60** | | **Director of Subsidiary** | KMP | **Loan Provided** | 3.96 Cr | **Value leakage risk** |
 | **Ajay Singh** | Promoter/CMD | **Personal Guarantee/Pledge** | Disclosed | **Positive: Personal assets secure ECLGS loans** | | **Promoter Group** | Promoter | **Equity Warrants** | 1,272.72 Cr | **Promoter funding support** |

• RPT Risk Checks:

- % of Revenue: 29.91% (Exceeds 15% threshold significantly).
- Red Flag: The ₹320.00 Cr interest-free advance to CMD Ajay Singh (Note 16.B) is a major red flag, provided while the company faces a "Going Concern" crisis.
- Preferential Pricing: Promoter warrant conversion at ₹29.84 per share is a 51.5% discount to the QIP price of ₹61.60, signaling massive value transfer to the promoter.

C. Shareholding * **Promoter Holding:** 30.99% (Post-Issue Tranche II). * **Institutions:** 25.13%. * **Non-institutions:** 43.88%. * **Pledged Shares:** Ajay Singh has pledged personal equity shares to secure "almost all bank facilities," specifically the ECLGS loans.

D. Board Composition + KMP Compensation * **Total Directors:** 6 (66.67% Independent). * **Women Directors:** 2 (Mrs. Shiwani Singh, Ms. Sonum Gayatri). * **Family Relations:** Mrs. **Shiwani Singh** (Director) is the spouse of Mr. **Ajay Singh** (CMD). * **KMP Compensation:** CMD and Mrs. Singh reported Nil remuneration. However, the **₹320.00 Cr interest-free advance** to the CMD acts as a de-facto liquidity extraction. CS remuneration grew 27.27% YoY to **₹0.84 Cr**, slightly exceeding EBITDA growth of 23.69%.

F. Capital Allocation & Capex | Action | FY Current (₹Cr) | FY Prior (₹Cr) | Signal | | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | | **Equity Issuance** | 3,000.00 Cr | 0.00 Cr | | | **Interest Payments** | 294.47 Cr | 465.49 Cr | | | **Lease Liabilities** | 3,329.32 Cr | 4,226.67 Cr | | | **Statutory Dues Cleared** | 2,699.54 Cr | 0.00 Cr | | | **Asset Write-offs** | 37.61 Cr | 380.65 Cr | | |

CAPEX ANALYTICAL NOTES: * **CFO Coverage of Capex:** N/M. CFO is negative; Capex and maintenance are entirely funded by the **₹3,000 Cr QIP** infusion. * **Nature of Capex:** Primarily maintenance-focused ("Return to Service" program for 19 engines). * **Key Takeaways:** **Aircraft acquisition commitments of ₹62,486.93 Cr are 11.7x the current revenue, representing a terminal risk to the balance sheet.**

H. Risks * **Going Concern:** Negative net worth of **₹1,942.37 Cr**; existential threat (High Impact). * **Aircraft Commitments:** **₹62,486.93 Cr in future costs**; 1,100% of revenue (High Impact). * **Litigation:** Maran/KAL Airways dispute (**₹579.09 Cr**); significant cash outflow risk (High Impact). * **Statutory Defaults:** **₹322.53 Cr** in unpaid dues post-QIP; risk of regulatory grounding (Medium Impact). * **Insolvency Petitions:** Section 9 IBC filings by lessors; risk of liquidation (High Impact). * **Forex Risk:** **₹3,008.70 Cr** foreign exchange outgo; margin compression on INR depreciation (Medium Impact).

5. SCORECARD & VERDICT

Part A: Scorecard

Dimension	Rating (1–5)	Delta	Key Evidence	One-line Rationale
Business Quality	2	→	Revenue -24.8%; 90% LF but losing trunk market share	Niche regional moat offset by collapsing core fleet and operational fragility.
Financial Health	1	→	D/E Negative; Net Worth -₹19,423 Cr; Current Ratio 0.21x	Technically insolvent; surviving solely on equity dilution and creditor forbearance.
Earnings Quality	1	↓	PAT ₹526 Cr driven by ₹13,177 Cr write-backs	Reported profit is an accounting artifact; core operations are deeply loss-making.
Management & Governance	1	↓	₹320 Cr interest-free CMD advance; Auditor resignation	Severe red flags regarding value leakage and internal control environment.
Capital Allocation & Earnings Visibility	1	→	Capex Commitments 11.7x Revenue; QIP used for old taxes	Capital is consumed for survival/legacy debt rather than accretive growth.

BUSINESS POSITIVES (for this company this year) * **Successful Recapitalization:** Raised **₹3,000 Cr** via QIP, providing a temporary liquidity lifeline. * **Debt Restructuring:** Settled **₹7,554.55 Cr** EDC liability for **₹1,872.68 Cr**, significantly reducing specific debt tranches. * **Regional Moat:** Strong positioning in UDAN routes with exclusive rights and government subsidy support. * **Fleet Recovery:** Initiated "Return to Service" program for 19 grounded engines to restore operational capacity.

BUSINESS NEGATIVES / CONCERNS (for this company this year) * ☐ **Technical Insolvency:** Negative Net Worth of ₹19,423.73 Cr and a working capital gap of ₹39,424.48 Cr. * ☐ **Artificial Profitability:** PAT of ₹526.19 Cr is entirely driven by ₹13,177.33 Cr in non-cash liability write-backs. * ☐ **Governance Red Flag:** ₹320.00 Cr interest-free advance to CMD during a liquidity crisis. * ☐ **Auditor Resignation:** Walker Chandiok & Co LLP resigned citing independence issues, a high-risk signal. * ☐ **Massive Commitments:** Aircraft acquisition commitments of ₹62,486.93 Cr are 11.7x current annual revenue. * ☐ **Statutory Defaults:** Continued delays in depositing TDS, PF, and GST despite fresh capital infusion.

OVERALL SCORECARD SUMMARY SpiceJet is currently a distressed debt-restructuring vehicle rather than a functional airline. While the ₹3,000 Cr QIP has averted immediate liquidation, the company remains technically insolvent with a deeply negative net worth and a reliance on accounting write-backs to show a nominal profit. Governance is at a nadir, characterized by an auditor resignation and a massive interest-free advance to the promoter during a period of "Going Concern" uncertainty. The business is on a deteriorating trajectory as core revenue collapses and future capital commitments far outstrip the balance sheet's capacity.

Part B: Governance Check Matrix

#	Check	Status	Evidence
1	Audit opinion clean?	☐	Qualified Opinion regarding Going Concern and Statutory Dues.
2	Promoter pledge = 0?	☐	Ajay Singh has pledged shares to secure ECLGS loans.
3	KMP pay < 5% of PAT?	☐	Reported pay is low, but ₹320 Cr advance to CMD is ~60% of PAT.
4	RPT quantum < 5% of revenue?	☐	RPT at 29.91% of revenue.
5	Board > 50% independent?	☐	66.67% Independent (4 out of 6).
6	At least 1 woman director?	☐	2 Women Directors.
7	No statutory dues outstanding?	☐	₹3,225.26 Cr in statutory dues payable.
8	No fraud reported?	☐	No specific fraud reported in the AR.
9	Audit trail enabled?	☐	Confirmed in the audit report.
10	Frequent Auditor change	☐	Resignation of Walker Chandiok & Co LLP in June 2025.
Final line: "Total: 4/10 ☐ — Governance Rating: 1"			

Part C: Investor Verdict

THESIS: A technically insolvent airline undergoing massive equity dilution to settle legacy defaults, where governance risks outweigh the "Phoenix" turnaround narrative.

OVERALL STANCE: AVOID

RATIONALE: The core business is operationally loss-making, and the reported profit is a non-cash accounting artifact, coupled with severe governance red flags. RE-EVALUATE WHEN: Net Worth turns positive through organic cash flow (CFO > PAT) and the CMD advance is fully repaid. BULL CASE: Rapid ungrounding of the

fleet leads to a 50%+ revenue surge and a favorable settlement of the Maran dispute (₹5,790 Cr). BEAR CASE: NCLT admission following lessor insolvency petitions or a failure to fund the ₹62,486 Cr aircraft commitments. KEY MONITORABLE: Contract Liabilities (Advance Ticket Sales): ₹2,337 Cr → Watch for recovery to >₹4,000 Cr.

7. YEAR-OVER-YEAR ANALYSIS

7.1 Changes

Metric / Theme	Summary A Status	Summary B Status	Forensic Takeaway
Solvency Profile	Negative Net Worth of ₹52,173.37 Cr.	Negative Net Worth of ₹19,423.73 Cr.	The balance sheet "improvement" is a result of massive equity dilution and accounting write-backs rather than operational recovery.
Revenue Trajectory	Transitioning to regional survivor; Cargo down 58%.	Revenue collapsed 24.83% YoY to ₹3,256.91 Cr.	The core business is in a state of rapid contraction as the operational fleet continues to shrink.
Earnings Quality	₹8,166.77 Cr in liability write-backs.	₹13,177.33 Cr in liability write-backs.	Reported profitability has become entirely dependent on the accounting derecognition of debt.
Capital Allocation (RPT)	₹6.46 Cr loan to a subsidiary director.	₹320.00 Cr interest-free advance to the CMD.	Management has significantly escalated value extraction through large interest-free advances despite a terminal liquidity crisis.
Statutory Financing	₹8,075.20 Cr in unpaid statutory dues.	₹3,225.26 Cr in unpaid dues post-QIP.	Fresh capital from investors is being consumed to settle historical tax defaults rather than funding growth or fleet expansion.
Auditor Relationship	Qualified Opinion; Audit trail (edit logs) disabled.	Auditor Resignation (Walker ChandioK) citing independence.	The transition from internal control lapses to a full auditor resignation signals a critical breakdown in the financial oversight environment.
Management Tone	Survival mode; focused on "triage."	Aggressively optimistic; "Phoenix-like" turnaround narrative.	Leadership has adopted a triumphant narrative that is fundamentally decoupled from the deteriorating operational and cash flow reality.

7.2 Persistent Patterns

- **Technical Insolvency:** The company remains **consistently unable to meet the "Going Concern" criteria**, with current liabilities perpetually dwarfing current assets.
- **Negative Cash Flow Divergence:** A **sustained inability to convert reported EBITDA or PAT into Cash Flow from Operations (CFO)**, which remains deeply negative or non-existent.
- **Promoter Credit Dependency:** The **airline's survival remains tethered to the promoter's personal assets**, with "almost all" bank facilities secured by personal pledges.
- **Aggressive Accounting Policy:** Recurring reliance on **subjective liability write-backs and non-cash gains** to manufacture "paper profits" and mask massive operational losses.
- **High Operational Demand:** Despite financial decay, the airline maintains **consistently high Passenger Load Factors (85-90%)**, indicating a resilient but underserved customer base.
- **Audit Qualifications:** Persistent **qualified opinions from auditors** regarding litigation outcomes, statutory defaults, and the fundamental uncertainty of the company as a going concern.

- **Maintenance Funding Gap:** A recurring pattern of **funding essential aircraft maintenance through increased liabilities or external equity** rather than internal accruals.
-