

IRB InvIT Fund — Sep 2024 Quarterly Analysis

1. VERDICT & BUSINESS QUALITY SNAPSHOT

Result: Inline **One-line:** Stable distribution performance (₹2.00/unit) supported by steady traffic across the majority of the portfolio, though rising finance costs and a slight traffic dip in Northern assets (Pathankot) bear monitoring.

Dimension	This Quarter	Signal / Evidence	Sentiment
Beat/Miss vs Guidance / Prior Quarter	Inline	Distribution maintained at ₹2/unit; 4% YoY revenue growth.	□
Earnings Quality	High (Core driven)	Performance driven by toll collections; no major one-offs.	□
Guidance Confidence	Neutral	Hand-back of assets completed; focus on remaining 15 years.	□
Management Credibility	Strong	Consistent payout track record (₹70.35/unit cumulative).	□
Business Quality Signal	Stable	Mature assets; Net Debt/Asset Value at a conservative 0.3x.	□
Key Q&A Exchange	Not applicable	Concall not provided.	□
The Street's Primary Anxiety	Impact of rising interest costs on NDCF	Finance expenses up 9% YoY (H1).	□
Capital Cycle Stage	Harvesting	Distribution of 90%+ NDCF from operational assets.	□
Margin / Return Ratio Trajectory	Stable	EBITDA margin remains high at 83% (H1FY25).	□
Pricing Power	Stable	Regulated toll hikes based on WPI/Fixed formulas.	□
FCF Conversion & Quality	Strong	Cash Profit (₹298.2 Cr) significantly exceeds PAT.	□
Competitive Moat Signals	Stable	Strategic locations (Golden Quadrilateral/East-West).	□
Balance Sheet Strength	Strong	0.3x Net Debt/Value allows for headroom for acquisitions.	□
Working Capital Efficiency	Stable	FASTag penetration >95% ensures immediate realization.	□
Mgmt Guidance Track Record	Reliable	Consistent quarterly distributions.	□
Key Vulnerability / Red Flag	Traffic stagnation in Pathankot	Pathankot-Amritsar traffic down 2.4% YoY in H1.	□
Management Tone	Not applicable	Concall not provided.	□

Key Takeaways (Positives & Negatives):

Positives: * **Yield Stability:** The Trust declared a distribution of ₹2.00 per unit for Q2FY25, maintaining an annualized yield profile of ~11-12% based on historical pricing. * **Portfolio De-leveraging:** Net debt remains low

at ₹2,342.1 Cr against an asset value of ₹7,978 Cr (0.3x leverage), providing significant "dry powder" for potential inorganic growth. * **Asset Resilience:** Core assets like Tumkur Chitradurga and Jaipur Deoli showed volume growth of 3.7% and 4.9% respectively in H1FY25, offsetting regional weaknesses.

Negatives: * **Bottom-line Pressure:** While Gross Income grew 4%, PAT declined 10% YoY in H1FY25, primarily due to a 9% rise in Finance Expenses and a 13% increase in Depreciation/Amortization. * **Northern Corridor Weakness:** The Pathankot Amritsar BOT project saw a traffic decline (2,334k vs 2,391k vehicles), suggesting localized headwinds or shifting logistics patterns in that corridor. * **Rising Interest Burden:** The 9% increase in finance costs suggests the impact of higher interest rates on variable debt or refinancing, which may squeeze the buffer for future Net Distributable Cash Flow (NDCF).

2. BUSINESS PERFORMANCE

2A. KEY METRICS

DATA SOURCE: Concall not available — commentary absent.

Metric (₹Cr)	Current Qtr (Q2FY25)	YoY Change (H1)	QoQ Change	Trend	Mgmt Commentary
Total Income (Net)	267.3 (Millions / 10)	+4% (H1)	First entry	→	Driven by traffic growth in core assets.
EBITDA	224.9	+2% (H1)	First entry	→	Marginal lag vs revenue due to Maint. provisions.
EBITDA Margin %	84.1%	-200 bps (H1)	First entry	↓	EBITDA margin net of rev share (83% for H1).
PAT	Not in doc (Q2 only)	-10% (H1)	First entry	↓	Impacted by higher finance and depreciation costs.
NDCF	Not in doc (Q2 only)	Not in doc	First entry	→	H1 NDCF stands at ₹245.1 Cr.
Distribution (₹/unit)	2.00	Flat	Flat	→	Payout policy remains consistent.
Traffic Growth (%)	Variable by asset	+2.4% (Avg)	First entry	→	Core South/West assets strong; North weak.
Net Debt	2,342.1	First entry	First entry	→	Conservative leverage at 0.3x asset value.
Cash Profit	Not in doc (Q2 only)	-1% (H1)	First entry	→	Stable cash generation despite PAT decline.
Net Debt/Asset Value	0.3x	First entry	First entry	→	Sufficient headroom below 70% regulatory cap.

2B. SEGMENT BREAKDOWN (Project-wise H1FY25)

Segment (Project)	Revenue (₹ Cr)	EBITDA (₹ Cr)	Margin	Trend	vs Co Avg	Key Development
Tumkur Chitradurga	188.2	175.3	93.1%	↑	Above	Largest contributor to revenue/ EBITDA.
Jaipur Deoli	66.8	57.3	85.8%	→	Inline	Steady traffic growth (+4.9% H1).
Pathankot Amritsar	52.8	39.4	74.6%	↓	Below	Traffic degrowth of 2.4% in H1.
Omalur-Salem-Namakkal	40.5	35.8	88.4%	↑	Above	Concession ends Jan-27; near end-life.
Talegaon Amravati	31.9	25.5	80.0%	→	Inline	Consistent volumes.
Vadodara Kim (HAM)	15.3	14.6	95.4%	↑	Above	High margin due to HAM model/ Annuity.

3. MANAGEMENT OUTLOOK & EXECUTION TRACKER

Dimension	Category	Management Target / Claim	Required Run-Rate / Mathematical Feasibility	Historical Delivery	Risk Flag
Guidance	Distribution	Target consistent quarterly payout (currently ₹2.0/unit).	Needs ₹234 Cr NDCF in H2 to maintain ₹8/year.	Delivered ₹8.00 in FY24.	Low
Strategy	Asset Life Extension	Anticipated "Extension of Time" for concession periods.	Dependent on NHAI/ Authority approval.	Ongoing.	Medium
Strategy	Capital Allocation	0.3x Debt/Equity provides cushion for acquisitions.	Can theoretically fund ₹2,000 Cr+ assets via debt.	Acquired VK1 in FY23.	Low
Strategy	Portfolio Composition	Retaining high-quality BOT assets with proven traffic.	Avg remaining life of ~15 years.	2 assets handed back in FY23.	Low
Macro	Traffic Growth	Expect continued growth across core industrial corridors.	Needs 3-5% traffic CAGR to sustain yield.	H1 traffic largely met this.	Medium
Balance	Debt / Leverage Target	Maintain Net Debt to Value at sustainable levels.	Currently 29.3% vs 70% limit.	Consistent.	Low

4. ANALYST Q&A

Section not applicable — investor presentation only. No concall conducted or available.

5. WHAT CHANGED vs PRIOR QUARTER

First entry — no prior quarter to compare.

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