Digital Banking

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Digital focus and Technology driven Transformation are two of the key pillars on which we are building a more sustainable organization



- (1) Strengthen the organizational core and quality of our balance sheet significantly
- 2 Invest in technology capabilities to deliver on our Transformation plans
- (3) Act with relentless focus on making Axis digital
- 4 Build granularity across all our business segments to drive sustainable growth
- 5 Deliver strong operating performance with improvement in return metrics
- 6 Create significant value among our key subsidiaries

Digital Banking – Axis Bank's "silent revolution"



140 mn

KTB¹ Customer base

4 mn

Non Axis Bank customers using **Axis Mobile & Axis Pay apps**

18%

Contribution of KTB channels to overall sourcing of Cards (in Q1FY22)

^{*} Digital tablet based account opening process for Q1FY22

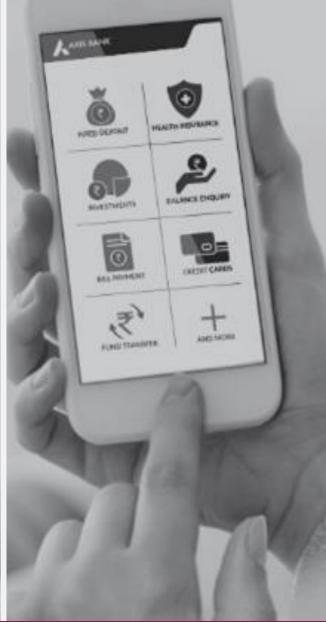






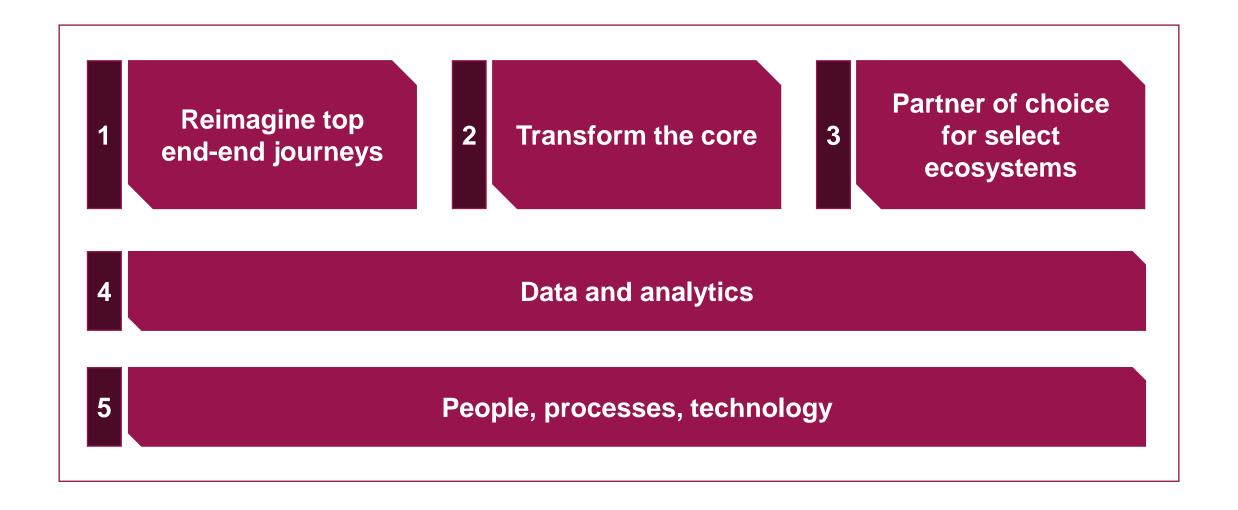
¹ Known to Bank





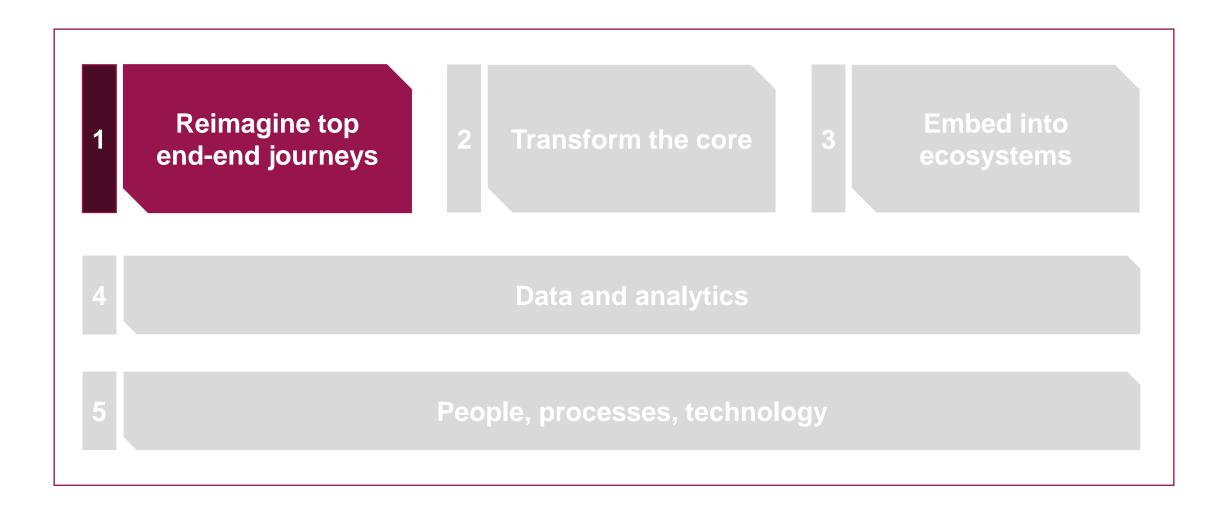
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OPEN: Axis Bank principles for reimagined customer journeys





0-based redesign; customer centric, design led and 0-operations



Proprietary in-house capabilities



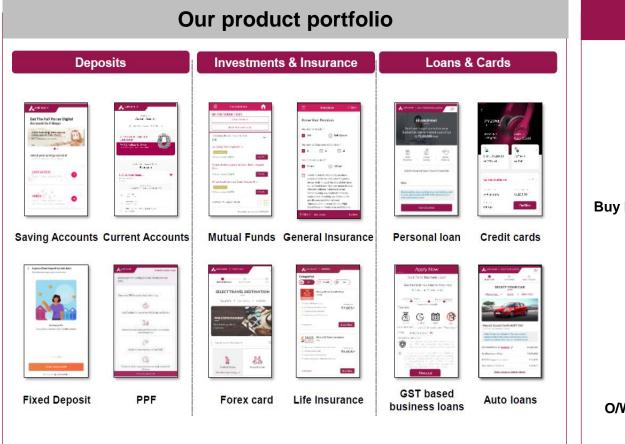
Ecosystems capable; built for all Axis and partner channels

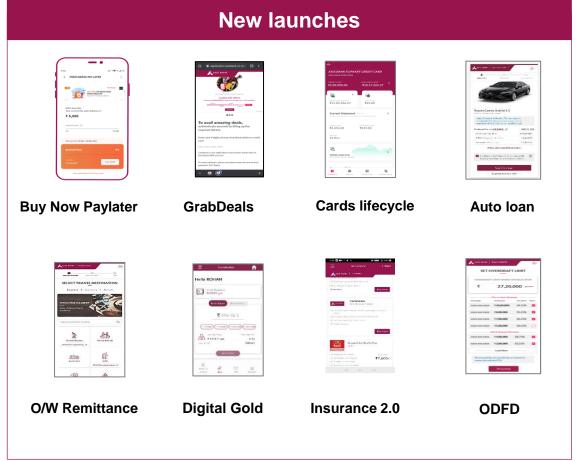


Numbers, Numbers: Impact led and metrics driven

We continue to introduce and scale new products driven by our 0-based redesign philosophy







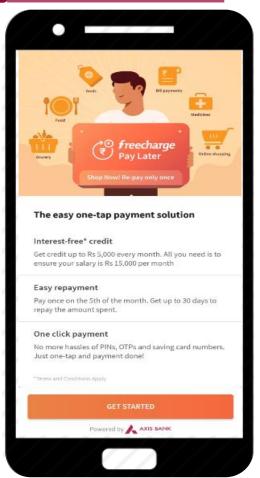
0-operations based redesigned journey with customer at the centre, minimum to no data entry and all checks done by machines with automated underwriting

Our BNPL product clearly demonstrates our OPEN principles in practice



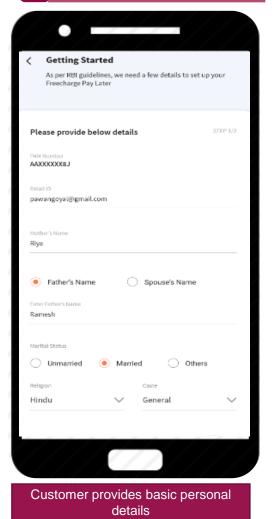
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Insta onboarding, decisioning & activation – 3 steps in less than 3 minutes

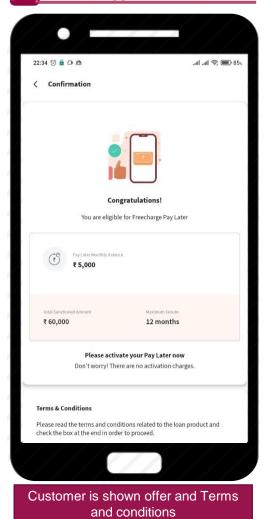


Customer clicks on paylater banner and can view details

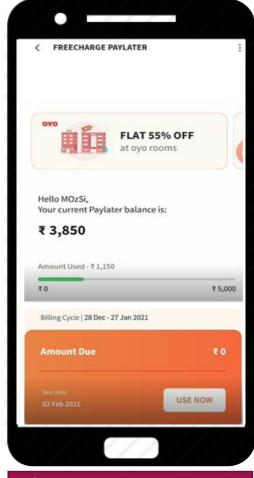
Launched on the Bank's proprietary Jarvis LMS platform



Built in partnership with Freecharge can be plugged in other platforms too



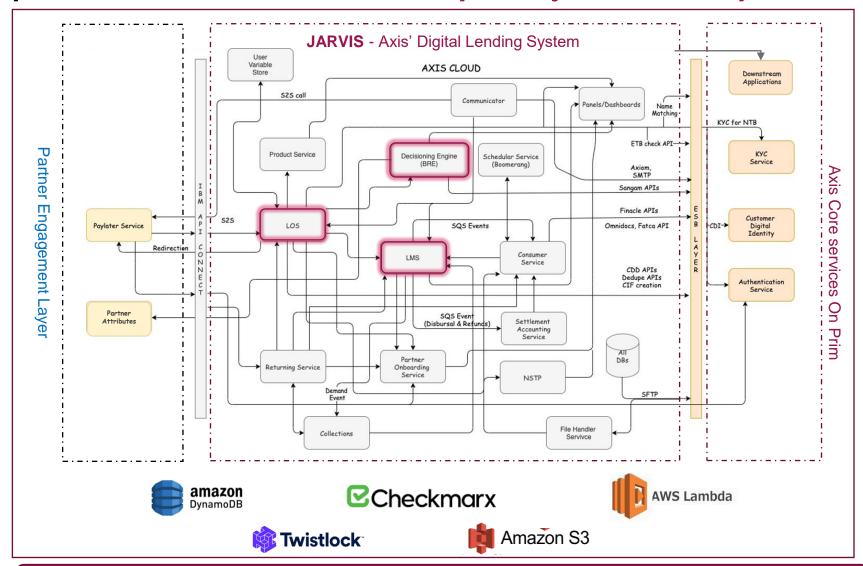
20x growth in customers onboarding over last 3 months



Customer can view remaining and utilised limit at anytime

Introducing *Jarvis*, our cloud native, API oriented new age lending platform, an outcome of our *Proprietary in-house capabilities*





New age Loan Management System

- Supports small ticket, small tenor, limit/loan, multiple interest rate/fee structures
- 100% digital journeys no manual intervention

Custom built, cloud native, API oriented

- Built, managed, run inhouse
- Built for partners
- Modular, loosely coupled
- 100% on AWS

Scalable and Customizable

- CI/CD in place with best practice AWS tools (externally recognized)
- Custom built BRE runs multiple policies
- All forms of KYC supported

Integrated with downstream systems

- Collection & recovery
- Statutory & regulatory reporting
- Financial reporting

We have upgraded, re-platformed or hollowed out our legacy IT stack to make it digital-ready and our new end-to-end digital stack is on par with the best digital platforms anywhere

Our digital journeys have started to make visible impact on the *Numbers* AXIS BANK

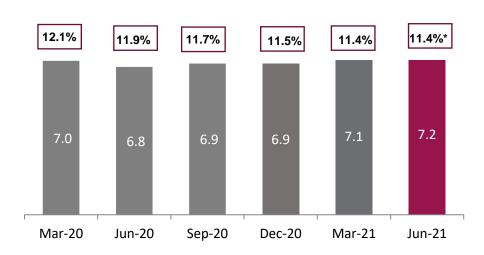


	Product	What we shared in Dec-20 (% Bank level acquisitions)	Latest Update (% Bank level acquisitions)	
Liabilities	VKYC SA	10%	22%	•
	VKYC salary accounts		9%	•
	FD (ETB and NTB)	73%	69%	\
Assets	PL	58%	60%	\Leftrightarrow
	Credit cards	52%	74%	•
	Credit card portfolio (EMI conversion)		72%	•

We are the 4th largest issuer of Credit Cards in the country; and continue to grow the Acquiring business through innovations and an integrated approach



Credit Cards in force (mn) & market share

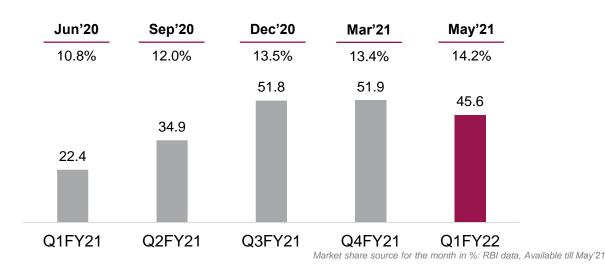


Flipkart Axis Bank Credit Card has been of the fastest growing co-brand portfolio with 1.2 million CIF within 2 years of its launch



Co-branded card partnership in collaboration with Flipkart; it has one of the best in class spends and engagement metrics

Throughput trend & market share



Innovations in Acquiring



Android PoS: State-of-the-Art terminal loaded with VAS such as Khaata & BQR.

- 33% contribution to sourcing in Q1FY22.
- 33% higher activity and ticket size of transactions witnessed than other terminals
- Buy Now Pay Later: Valued added service that offers cardless EMI facitlity allowing faster processing of high value transactions
- CX Index: Captures merchants' experience around On-boarding, Usage & Service.

WhatsApp Banking emerging as a significant channel





Months since launch (Feb 21)

1.3mn Customers registered

3.1mn Customer requests serviced

2.8mn Queries answered

0.4mn Pre-approved loan offer enquiries





Services offered on WhatsApp Banking

Account Related

- Get your Account Balance
- Generate Account/Mini Statement
- Order Cheque Book

Fixed Deposit Related

- Generate List of Fixed Deposits
- View your FD details

Credit Card Related

- Get your Outstanding Amount, Available Credit Limit
- Summary of Credit Card, Bill Payment details
- Block your Credit Card and many more to come.

What else you can do?

- Ask us Anything
- Get Pre-Approved Personal Loans in WhatsApp
- Apply for our Banking Products
- Locate Axis Bank Branches/ ATM and many more to come.

We have a high market share in Mobile Banking...





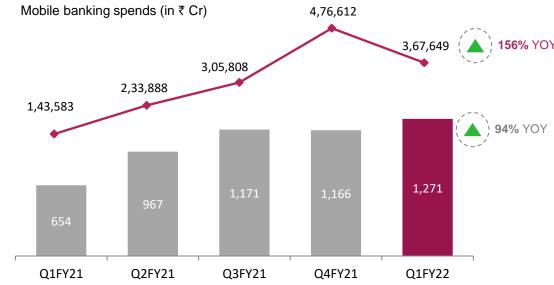
Axis Mobile is amongst the highest ranked Banking app on Apple Store (rating of 4.6) & Google Play Store (4.5) and offers 250+ DIY services

Mobile Transactions Market Share by Volumes 17% 17% 15% 14% 4 mn 15% Axis Mobile & Axis Pay apps



56% of Mobile Banking customers bank only on Mobile App with Mobile Banking logins at **15.75** of Internet banking logins







Axis Aha! answered **5.66 million** messages in Q1FY22

...and a strong positioning in the UPI space, with one of the lowest decline rates AXIS BANK





We have developed best-in-class UPI stack that enables us to offer cutting edge customized solutions across SDK, Intent, Collect and Pay offerings apart from new use cases like UPI AutoPay



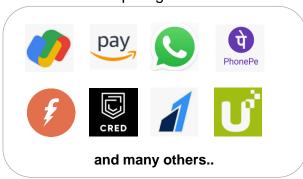
Dedicated IT cloud infrastructure to exclusively handle high volume UPI transactions has resulted in Axis Bank achieving one of the lowest decline rates as a remitter when compared to peer banks

Strong customer base and partnerships

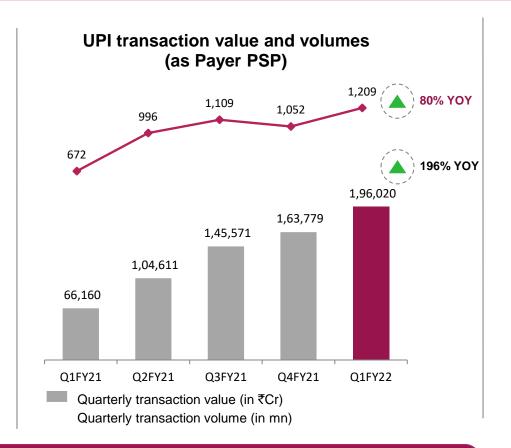
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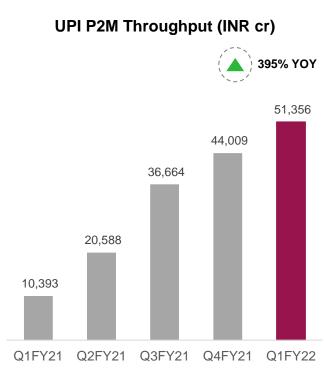
Cumulative VPA base**

Margue partnerships across the PSP and acquiring side



^{**} A user registering VPA once in Axis Pay and once in Google Pay is counted as 2





The Bank maintained its strong positioning in the UPI space with a market share of 15% as Payer PSP (by volume) and 19% in UPI P2M Acquiring (by throughput) in Q1FY22

Technology led transformation project Sankalp is benefitting our CBG business AXIS BANK



Digital Capabilities of the Sankalp App





Data Cockpit



Meeting Planner



Review **Action Center**



Customer 360



Design principles



Differentiated

Scorecard determined swimlane basis risk & complexity

Diligence and documentation processes well-differentiated across swimlanes



Digital first

Digital collection and processing of documents/information



Parameterized evaluation

Data and scorecard driven underwriting approach

- Prepopulated data
- Improved quality by augmenting credit with digitally generated insights





Empowerment

Higher decisioning rights at geography with streamlined deviation culture



Collaboration and Transparent

All stakeholders on single platform

Impact

60%+	Reduction in docs required		
30 mins	for pre-screening vs 1 day		
2x	Increase in Asset productivity of RM (no of new NTB NOAs opened / month)		
39%	YOY Growth in asset NTB accounts opened in Q1FY22		
18%	YOY Growth in CBG Advances		

The Bank also has a strong digital presence among corporate clients...

71% Current Account customers registered for CIB/RIB/MB

78% transactions being initiated digitally

9.7% NEFT Payment market share (in Q1FY22)

1st BBPS ranking in addition of number of Billers to BBPS Ecosystem

Project Neo



...and is working towards institutionalizing this further in a large-scale and agile manner



Replacement of 3 major core systems in progress



100+ members being onboarded across 20+ pods;10 pods already kicked off



Work underway on reimagining 25+ digital journeys



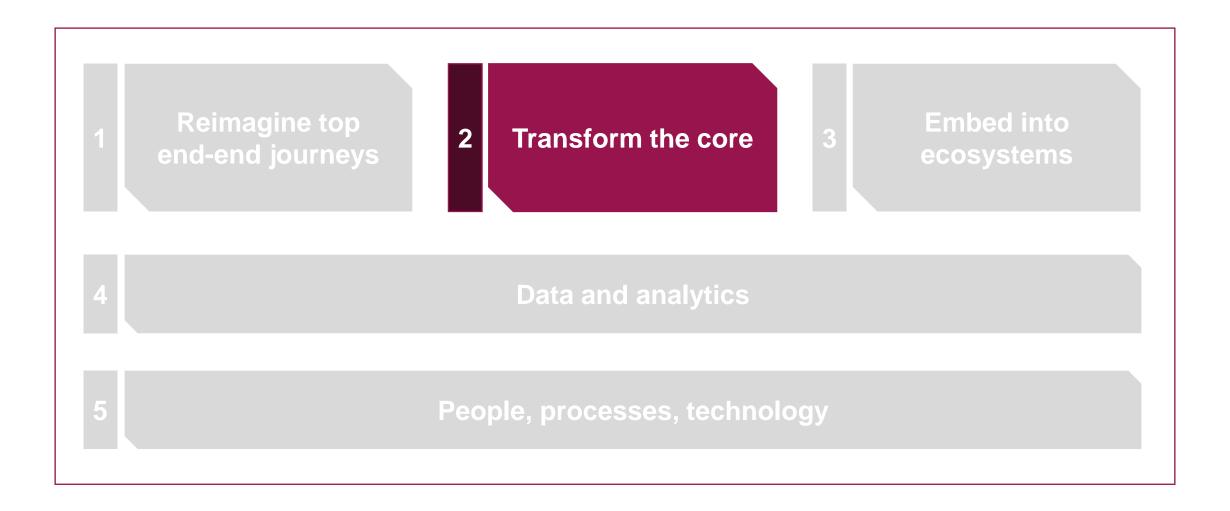
Agile operating model institutionalized



Cloud based development

Our Digital Bank strategy





We are running a *twin-engine approach* to upgrade our legacy IT stack to make it digital ready and have also built an in-house end-to-end digital stack that is at par with the best platforms



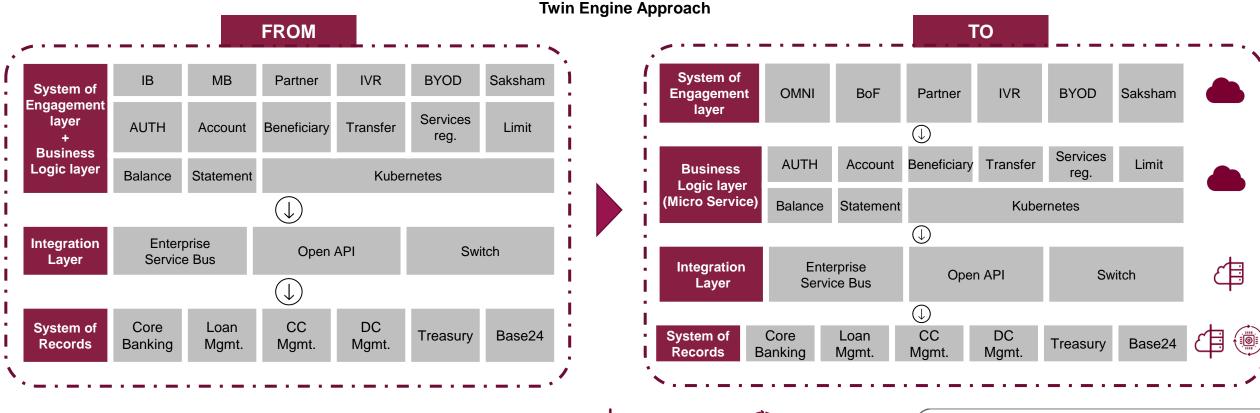
Build Digital

- New age digital platforms
- Cloud first
- Decoupled Engagement layer & Logic layer
- Micro services enabled



Modernize the Core

- Upgrade of Tech-stack
- Focus on modernizing the core, resiliency, sustainability, risk and governance
- Transform architecture, core systems, infrastructure and integration



Hybrid

Resiliency at Axis



Built for Resiliency



Data Centre

Data Centers Expansion DRM solution implemented DR drill calendar for Apps



New Age Tech.

Adoption of SDN, Latest Enterprise Class Storage, HCI, Cloud, Engineered Systems, Tapeless Backup



Data

Maximum availability arch.
Always on methodology



Network

N+N Arch. for critical n/w components and dynamic routing protocols



- Continuous Re-skilling -Technology adoption of techniques like SRE, Technology Labs etc.
- Governance IT Strategy of the Board, Management Reviews



Cloud

Cloud Platform & Technologies adoption with ~50 Apps live from Cloud



Standardization

Infra Standardization covering Hardware & Software tech



Monitoring

24x7 Resiliency Operation and Network Operating Centre monitoring using NMS Tools



Assessments

Business impact analysis, data centre and app resiliency audits



Key Focus Areas

Strengthening to become Best-in-Class



	Near DR ¹ for Critical Apps	4 Physical data centres	100% Infra ~3 Year ageing	RTO ² reduced by 50% for critical applications	Improved Infra availability from 99.99% to 99.999%
Data Centres	Software defined single-pane management with orchestration	Near Zero Data Loss architecture	Standardized Hardware, OS & DB to Latest Tech/Platform	Software defined single-pane management with orchestration for network	
Applications	Near Zero RPO ³ for Critical Apps	Monitoring Customer- level application performance	Proactive approach to improve App Resiliency to 99.999%	70% Apps on Cloud targeted in 3 Years period	Skillset readiness for Cloud tech (Kubernetes, Containers, In- memory, Functions & Sharding)
Service Delivery	Improved assurance of repeatable tasks	Improved reliability in Biz Services delivery	Reduce human intervention & errors	ITIL Framework implementation	Site reliability engineering (SRE) framework

Built-in Security and Protection



Security by Design







Defence in depth though best in class security technology and process controls

Vulnerability and threat management across the entire tech. landscape

24 x 7 events monitoring by SOC through Next Gen SIEM, threat intelligence tools





Continuous RED Team exercises to proactively and timely vulnerability identification

Continuous transaction monitoring supplemented by real-time decline rules



Strengthening Cyber resilience program with focus on detect and respond/ recover activities



Security Analytics for enhanced security threat visibility



780 / 900 Bitsight Rating*

^{*}BitSight Rating = Key Risk Indicator of Over all Cyber Security. Cybersecurity ratings company based in Boston, US (2011). •Approach similar to credit ratings for financial risk.BitSight Security Ratings are calculated on a <u>scale of 250-900</u> with a higher rating indicating better security performance.

Built-in Security and Protection



Key Capabilities



In-House Cyber Breach Assessment

For safely simulating multiphase, real-world attacks, and identify gaps / vulnerabilities in Bank's environment.



24x7 Dark Web Monitoring

- a. Fraudulent / Phishing sites
- b. Artificial Intelligence based Digital Risk Monitoring for Bank's sensitive data on Internet / Dark web



Cyber Security Threat Intelligence

from best-in-class commercial sources



Cloud Cyber Security Suite Container security monitoring & vulnerability Scanning

Cloud security compliance monitoring



Cyber Security controls for DevSecOps Pipeline

Static analysis

Dynamic analysis

Real-time vulnerability monitoring and analysis

Cloud container image signing

Cloud secret keys and credential management

We have made considerable progress in our *Branch of the Future* project, which captures our automation efforts to enhance our frontline productivity



Objective: Reduce frontline time spent on servicing and operations

Initiatives

50+

Initiatives identified and underway

- 1 Reimagine branch processes leveraging digital
- Redefine frontline roles to focus on relationship management
- 3 Institutionalize Axis way; build data and tech enabled operating rhythm
- 4 Dil Se Open Branch model new branch layout to focus on customer experience

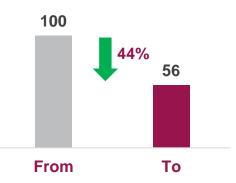
Progress made

Services accounting for ~65% of request volumes in branches are now digitally available

(indexed to 100)

Updation of PAN

NFTR reduced by



STP increased by



We have also transformed our internal processes to empower our employees, release costs and enhance effectiveness



BYOD

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program, enabling staff to use bank apps on their devices thereby enhancing staff mobility and productivity and improvement in TAT

60,000

Staff onboarded

~3.5 lakh
leads delivered per month

400+

Compatible models / OS flavours

7%

NFTR rate with AI, OCR, facial recognition, and geo co-ordinates tracking

Future of work 2.0



~15,000

Staff coverage under Hybrid Model ~2,250

employees across 22 central departments moved to a 100% virtual format in two phases

130

candidates hired in alternate formats under GIG-A Opportunities

Siddhi



Intelligent, comprehensive, proactive and hyper-personalized employee tool that enables meaningful customer conversations via analytics and empower managers to have control and meaningful coaching conversations

300+

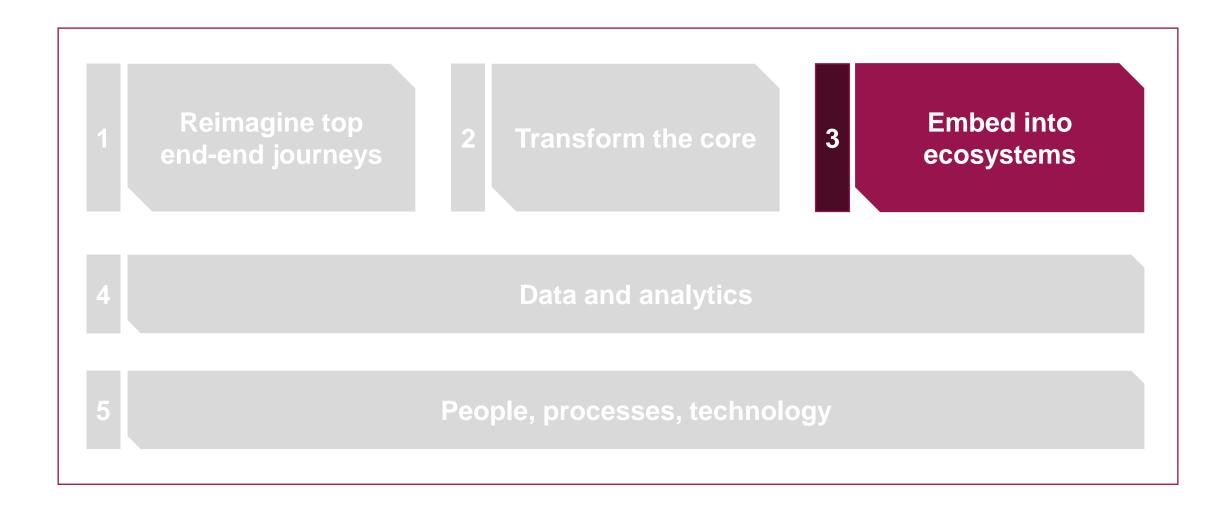
Staff journeys across bank and subsidiaries

Reduced

opex and capex for the bank while delivering better frontline productivity

Our Digital Bank strategy





We are adopting a combination of approaches for the digital ecosystem Build our own capabilities, partner with fintechs where there is complementarity and invest in areas that have adjacencies























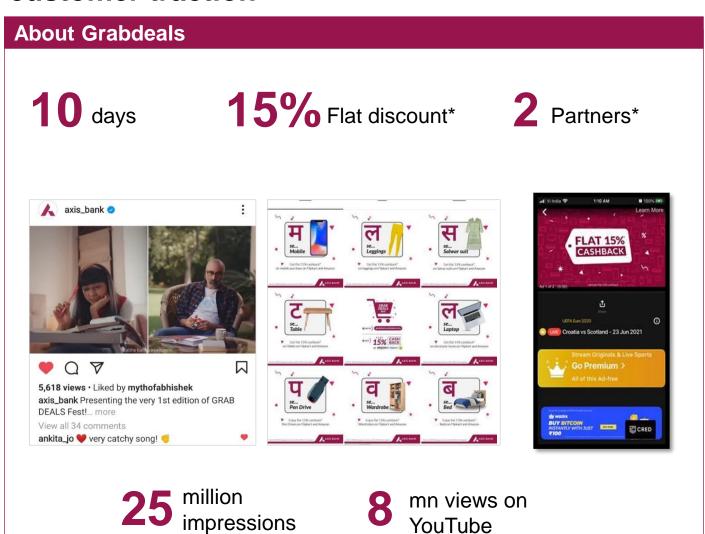


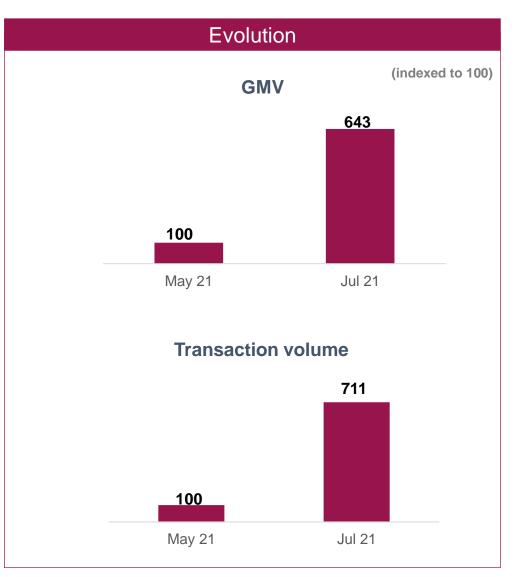




Grabdeals continues to scale; our Grabdeals Fest helped get significant customer traction



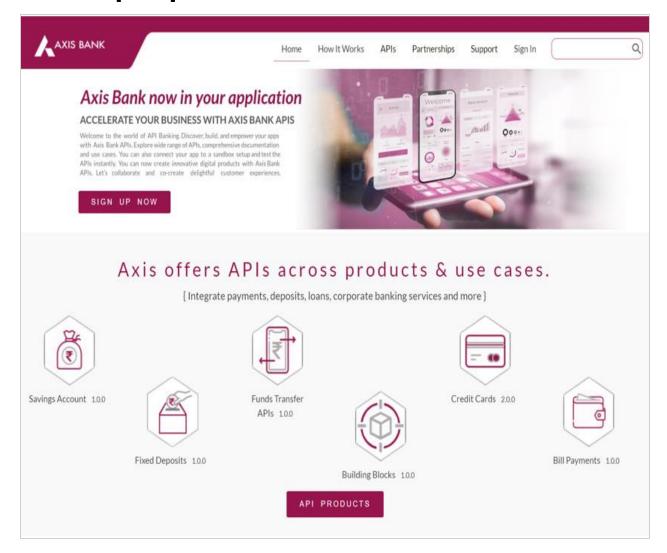




*on Amazon & Flipkart

We now offer our partners API banking through a best-in-class Developer portal





https://apiportal.axisbank.com/portal/

~250 Number of APIs (including ~30 Corporate APIs and ~220 Retail)

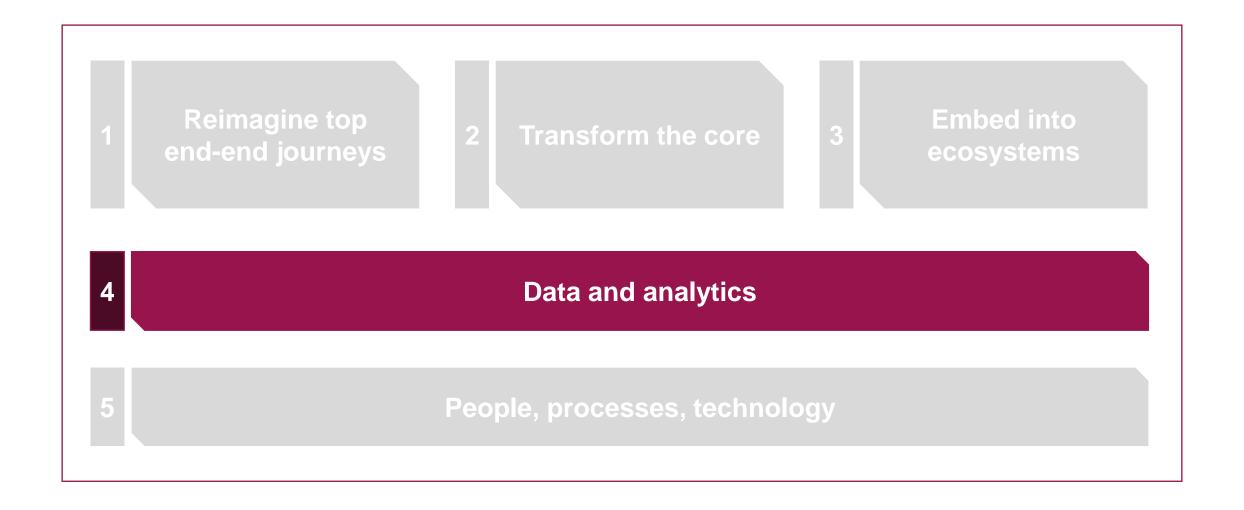
Number of Partners onboarded in Retail

Best in Class Features

- Self Registration
- Real time IP/PCR Validation
- Flow Charts and Document Library
- Developer forum

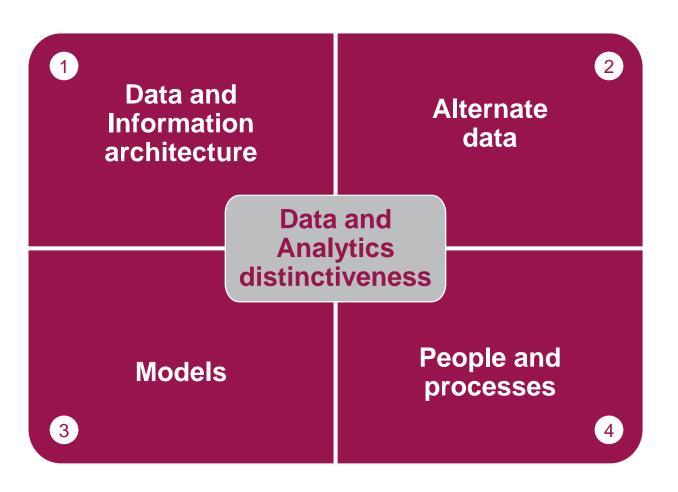
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Distinctiveness to be driven by providing best in class analytics solution based on four levers

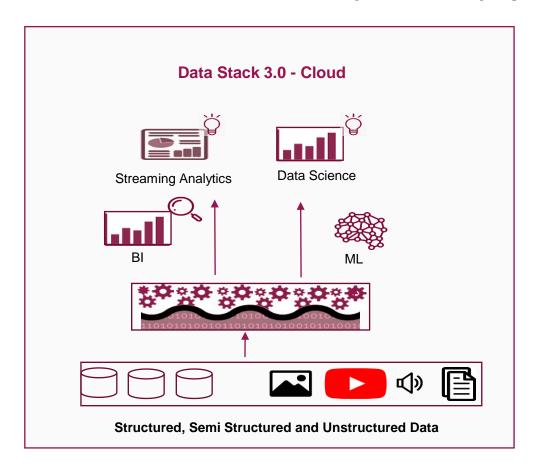




- We have begun our cloud data infrastructure journey
- We are building alternate data platforms to enable score-based underwriting for next 100 million+ customers
- We are also implementing large number of credit and marketing models leveraging advanced techniques with new age data to drive better predictive and to drive sourcing

As data increases, we have begun our cloud data infrastructure journey AXIS BANK

By 2022, 75% of all databases will be deployed or migrated to a cloud platform, with only 5% that will ever be considered for a return to an on-premises deployment, according to a recent forecast from Gartner





Big data clusters developed on Hadoop with PetaByte scale data



150+ use cases deployed across credit, fraud, marketing analytics on cloud decisioning platform



Multiple machine learning based credit models developed; **2000** attributes considered; up to **120%** lift on GINI over generic bureau models

- On the fly elasticity
- Separation of compute from storage

We are integrating alternate unconventional data in Axis ecosystem for risk-moderated business expansion, especially for new products or info-poor segments.



We are starting to use alternate unconventional data like telecom score and farmland health metrics for enabling underwriting capability for all Indians who walk through Axis doors

High

Telecom Score Payments SMSs & & Recharges Calls Device & VAS & Location Subscription Access to surrogate credit score for crores of subscribers of one of the top telcos enabling Bank to offer gamut of products to huge fresh pool High Low Telecom Score High Telecom Score **Bad Rate**

Validated on multiple products: Telecom score gives risk discrimination over and above underwriting scorecards

App Score

Low

Farmland Health metrics



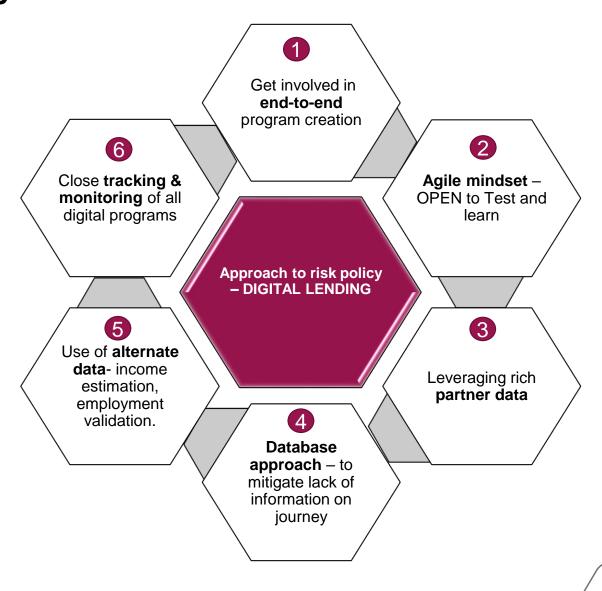
Crop Health Metrics generated from satellite images



Inclusion in underwriting scorecard improves risk discriminatory power by ~10%

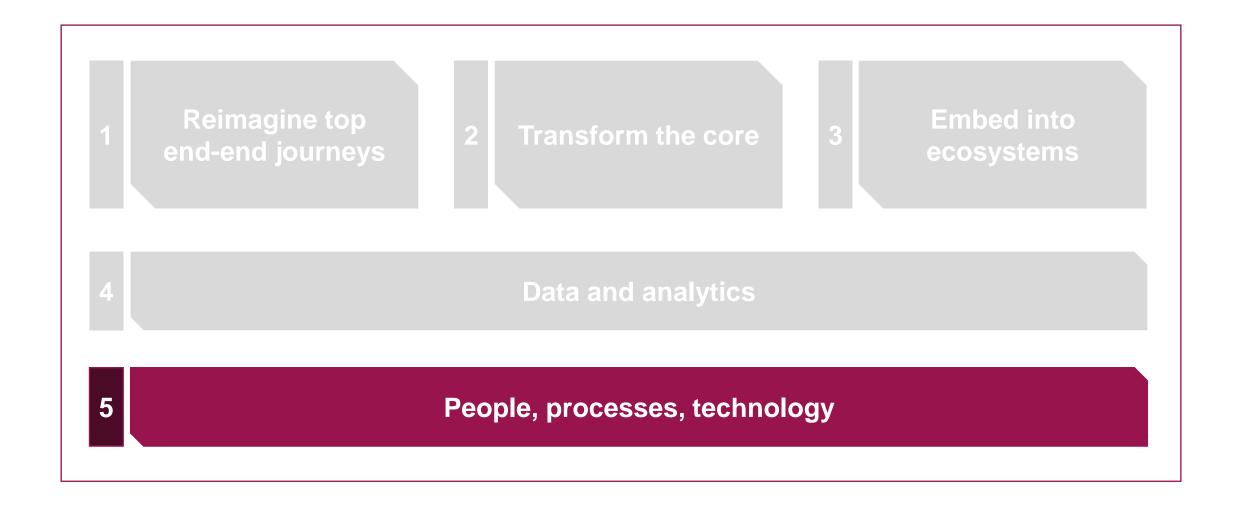
Our digital underwriting policies are consistent with our 'OPEN' philosophy





Our Digital Bank strategy





Four key enablers driving our successful digital strategy



Building the right talent

- ~ 850 people dedicated to digital agenda
- ~75% new hires from non-banking background
- ~150 member full service inhouse team:
 - Design

- Dev-ops
- Product managers
- QA
- Developers: Front-end, back- Scrum masters end, full stack
 - Digital marketers

Establishing agile processes

- Agile operating model established
- Cross-functional teams as end-end owners
- Operating rhythms across daily huddles, development in sprints, in-sprint automated user testing setup
- Dev-ops infrastructure set up. Info-sec checks integrated into development lifecycle
- Integration of Dev-Sec-Ops led to 70% reduction in deployment time

Enabling the team through technology

- Leader among peers to take the **Cloud First approach**
- Only Bank to be invited as Keynote speaker at AWS Summit 2021
- 70% of Applications and Infra planned on Cloud over next few years including 100% of new customer facing applications
- 500 deployments in CI/CD mode
- Deployment in Kubernetes clusters for scale
- Modular microservices based architecture

Setting the right data infrastructure

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Developing In-house Capabilities



The Bank is focusing on developing its in-house capabilities which is evident from a 66% increase in the IT team strength in the last 2 years



- Bank has set up Enterprise
 Architecture Practice
- The Practice focuses on building a sustainable governance structure to rationalize and optimize the application architecture



- The Bank is also building its capabilities to deliver faster through introduction of Agile Centre of Execellence (CoE)
- Key roles such as Agile Coach,
 Scrum Master are being introduced across IT projects to drive adoption and leverage benefits



- With increasing focus on digital engagements, Bank has invested on talent experienced in Customer Experience
- Customer experience will be a focal point of all technology developments and enhancement



Subzero - our proprietary design platform is now live





Subzero is a collection of guidelines and components shared among designers and developers in order to create a streamlined and enjoyable user experience for all Axis Bank customers.

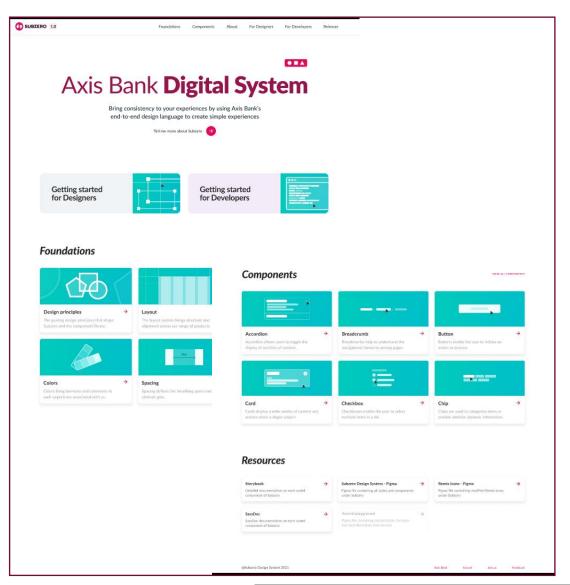


At its centre is the pattern library which contains reusable components and foundations, from the individual atoms to the full templates and pages..



Rather than focusing on pixels, developers can focus on application logic, while designers can focus on user experience, interactions, and flows.

Subzero will help reduce design and development time by ~20%, and provide consistency across customer journeys



In conclusion, our efforts are getting recognised...



India's Best Digital Bank













15%

Market share in UPI transactions*



14%

Market share in Mobile transactions*



4.6

App ratings (Apple store)

Thank you

