Day Break

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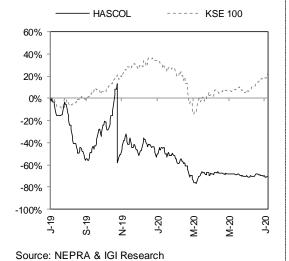
Company Update

HASCOL Key financial highlights

PKRbn	CY15	CY16	CY17	CY18	CY19
Profit/(loss)	1.1	1.2	1.4	(0.1)	(25.8)
DPS	5.0	7.0	7.0	-	-
LT Liabilities	0.6	3.9	4.0	4.6	3.0
ST Borrowing	1.4	3.9	6.9	18.9	37.8
Equity	5.8	6.1	10.3	12.5	(12.5)

Volumes (mn Tons)					
	CY15	CY16	CY17	CY18	CY19
MS	0.30	0.53	0.88	0.82	0.59
HSD	0.47	0.74	1.19	1.13	0.61
FO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01
Total	1.27	1.85	2.66	2.54	1.42

Exhibit: Relative price performance to KSE-100



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HASCOL: Auditors highlight going concern; Management mentions uncertainty on future profits

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- Auditors highlight going concern.
- Management mentions uncertainty on future profits.
- Our estimates for 1HCY20 suggest additional losses of PKR 5.4bn making equity further negative to PKR 12.1bn.
- Total borrowings stand at PKR 96bn with PKR 46bn owed to financial institutions.
- Company appears to be facing challenges in attracting and retaining talent with frequent changes in top management (CEO and CFO).
- We place HASCOL under review until further clarity on Company's future.

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Hascol Petroleum Limited (HASCOL) published its annual report wherein it reported a loss of PKR 11.94bn (Diluted @999.12mn LPS: PKR 11.95) making full year loss of PKR 25.75bn (Diluted @999.12mn LPS: PKR 25.78) down by 209xYoY.

Consequent to the aforesaid losses, equity of the Company became negative by PKR 14.7bn. The Company accounted for PKR 5.7bn received as share deposit money out of total right issue of PKR 8.0bn. Resultantly, equity as at Dec-19 stood at PKR 8.9bn. After taking into account remaining right subscription of PKR 2.3bn that was received in Jan-20, the equity of the Company still stands at negative PKR 6.7bn.

Exhibit: Financial Highlights						
PKRmn	4QCY19	4QCY18	YoY	CY19	CY18	YoY
Net Sales	43,475	49,771	-13%	154,875	233,244	-34%
Gross Profit	(2,019)	2,064	n/m	(1,851)	10,707	n/m
S&D Expense	(109)	1,270	n/m	4,078	3,539	15%
Admin Expense	(42)	235	n/m	818	883	-7%
Other Income	217	186	16%	511	527	-3%
EBIT	(1,651)	745	n/m	(6,237)	6,812	n/m
Finance Cost	2,452	542	4.5x	7,467	1,324	464%
Other Charges	2,467	117	21.1x	8,791	1,094	704%
Exch. (loss)/gain	54	(1,386)	n/m	(2,393)	(4,208)	-43%
PBT	(6,516)	(1,299)	402%	(24,887)	186	n/m
Taxation	5,425	1	9808x	866	309	180%
PAT	(11,941)	(1,300)	819%	(25,753)	(123)	209x
EPS (PKR) @999.12mn shares	(11.95)	(1.30)		(25.78)	(0.12)	
DPS (PKR)	-	-		-	-	
Source: IGI Research, Company Financials No				No of S	hares: 999	9.12mn



Auditors highlight going concern; Management mentions uncertainty on future profits

One of the major highlights during 4QCY19 was that auditors have highlighted material uncertainty on going concern of the Company.

Extract from Audit Report: We draw attention to note 1.2 of the financial statements which states that the company has incurred a net loss of Rs. 25,874 (2018: Rs. 215) million, resulting in accumulated (losses)/profit of Rs. (25,189) (2018: 585) million as of the financial position date. Further, as of that date the current liabilities of the Company exceeded its current assets by Rs. 43,403 (2018: 9,069) million. As stated in note referred above, these conditions, along with other matters, indicate the existence of material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

The management in note 1.2 of the financial statements has confirmed the auditors view while stating certain plans and measures taken to improve the liquidity and financial position of the Company. However, the stated plans mostly cover matters relating to liquidity management and funding, and do not comment on company's future profitability.

At the same time, the management in note 9.1 of the financial statements has mentioned uncertainty in availability of future taxable profits based on their financial projections for the next five years, due to which they have reversed the entire amount of deferred tax asset that was recognized till Sep-19.

The note in Dec-19 states as follows:

Note 9.1: Deferred tax asset of Rs. 6,376 million has not been recognised in these unconsolidated financial statements due to uncertainty in availability of future taxable profits based on financial projections of future five years. However, in the future years and based on the availability of taxable profits, unutilized deferred tax asset will be recognized.

... Whereas the same note in Sep-19 stated as follows:

Note 21.1: The Company has recorded deferred tax assets of Rs. 4,604 million which represents management's best estimate of the probable benefits expected to be realised in future years in the form of reduced tax liability as the company would be able to set off the profits earned in those years against taxable temporary difference relating to prior year.

The above is a major shift in management's view on future profitability of the Company for at least next five years.



Our estimates for 1HCY20 suggest additional losses of PKR 5.4bn making equity further negative to PKR 12.1bn...

Based on our estimates of a loss of PKR 5.4bn in 1HCY20, we project HASCOL's equity to stand at negative PKR 12.1bn as at Jun-20.

Exhibit: HASCOL Shareholder's equity				
	PKR mn			
Share capital	1,991			
Reserves	(20,690)			
Surplus on revaluation	4,033			
Shareholder's equity as at Dec-19 before right share deposit	(14,666)			
Right share deposit	5,752			
Shareholder's equity as at Dec-19	(8,914)			
Remaining right share deposit	2,248			
Shareholder's equity after right subscription	(6,666)			
Expected loss in 1HCY20*	(5,426)			
Estimated shareholders equity as at Jun-20*	(12,092)			

Source: IGI Research, Company financials

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As per the management, the Company is in the process of re-profiling its long term loans and has renewed existing facilities with the banks. Moreover, the Company also expects to have sufficient cash resources in the next twelve months to continue its operation. Including trade payables, total liabilities stand at PKR 96bn out of which 46bn is owed to financial institutions while PKR 30bn is owed to Vitol. However, with total liabilities owed to financial institutions standing at PKR 46bn, we believe that HASCOL will likely face severe liquidity issues in debt repayment and servicing.

We note that the Company's accumulated reserves at the time of listing in 2013 stood at PKR 426mn. The company thereafter continued to report profits till Sep-18 when the accumulated reserves had risen to PKR 8.3bn. Therefore, the Company was able to generate profits of PKR 5.9bn (*refer Exhibit: HASCOL Reserves from Dec-13 to Sep-18*) between 2013 and 2018 before it reported losses in 4QCY18 onwards. Accordingly, we foresee considerable challenges in the Company being able to reduce its liabilities through profitability.

Exhibit: HASCOL total assets and liabilities break up (PKRbn)

Total Assets						87.5
Cash				13.6		01.0
Trade Debts				11.0		
Stock in trade				19.2	2	
PPE					33.9	
Trade Payables		50.2				
Accrued Mark up			1.5			
CP of LT loan			3.0			
ST Borrowing		37.0				
Liabilites subject to FL			2.4			
LT Loans			1.6			
Total Liabilities	96.4					

Exhibit: HASCOL Reserves from Dec-13 to	o Sep-18		
	PKRmn		
Balance Reserve as at Dec-13	426		
Profit during Jan-2013-Sep-2018	5,897		
Dividends*	(3,144)		
Unappropriated profits as at Sep-18**	3,179		
Share premium as at Dec-18	4,767		
Re-measurement Surplus as at Dec-17***	323		
Reserves as at Sep-18**	8,269		
Reported Reserves as at Sep-18	8,313		
*Total Dividend paid reported by Company	PKRmn		
2018	507		
2017	929		
2016	845		
2015	573		
2014	290		
Total Dividend paid during 2014-2018 3,144			

Source: IGI Research, Company Financials
** IGI Estimates based on reported numbers
*** Breakup of reserves not available for Sep-18

^{*} IGI Estimate



Frequent changes in top management

To recall, subsequent to the right issue, the Chief Executive as well as Chief Financial Officer of the Company were replaced in Feb-20. However, the newly appointed Chief Executive ceased to be associated with the Company in Apr-20 whereas, the appointed Chief Financial Officer also departed in Jul-20. In light of the above, it appears that the Company is facing challenges in attracting and retaining talent.

We place HASCOL under review until further clarity

In light of substantial losses, negative equity, auditors highlighting going concern issues, management's uncertainty on future profits, further losses expected in 1HCY20 as per our estimates, highly leveraged book and frequent management changes, we have placed HASCOL under review until further visibility on Company's future.



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