Flash Note

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Cements

LUCK: Diversifying its operations in another booming sector

- As per the latest PSX notice, BoD's of Lucky Cement Ltd in their meeting has approved to 1) make equity investment up to PKR 12bn in a joint venture with Kia Motors, 2) initiate due diligence exercise of DCL's north plant (existing capacity of 1.13mn tpa) and 3) expand its cement grinding capacity in Iraq to 1.74mn tpa from 0.87mn tpa.
- In a recent development, LUCK has decided to enter the automobile industry through equity investment of PKR 12bn in an associated company, undertaking manufacturing, assembling, marketing, distributing, selling, importing and exporting of all types of Kia motor vehicles, parts and accessories.
- Lucky cement is also considering to initiate due diligence of northern plant of Dewan Cement Ltd (DCL) to evaluate potential acquisition. To recall, LUCK has been in process of seeking expansion in north for some time.
- After observing positive response from international operations in Iraq, company has decided to expand its operations whereby existing grinding capacity in Iraq will be increased to 1.74mn tpa from 0.87mn tpa. This expansion shall be financed by internally generated cash flows.

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