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D. G. Khan Cement Company Limited (DGKC)

Elevated cost structure outweigh substantial increase in clinker export sales; pushes EBIT down by 32%YoY... However positive tax impact and accounting anomaly present a positive case

- D. G. Khan Cement Company Limited (DGKC) announced its financial results for 2QFY19 with unconsolidated earnings clocking in at PKR 1.32bn (EPS: PKR 3.02), up by a substantial +48%YoY, as compared to PKR 896mn (EPS: PKR 2.05) reported in the same period last year. However, the results are impressive on a sequential basis, reflecting a two fold increase.
- The inclined percentage of +48%YoY is subject to anomaly with respect to its base figure. To recall, DGKC in 1QFY18 had recorded early recognition of tax incentives due on its Hub Plant, which it subsequently reversed in 2QFY18 probably on recommendations of its external auditors. This eventually led to declined PAT in 2QFY18, thus propelling an apparent YoY increase.
- Net Sales of the Company have increased by +41%YoY, likely due to substantial export clinker exports from South plant.
- Gross profits of the Company have been washed away by 17%YoY, largely due to rise in input prices and more so due to inclusion of substantial
 depreciation expense pertaining to recently inaugurated Hub Plant of the Company.
- EBIT of the Company has collapsed by a significant 32%YoY, driven by +64%YoY increase in Selling, Distribution and Admin costs of the Company, which in turn was subject to incremental freight costs incidental to export sales.
- Finance cost of the Company leaped up by 7 folds, largely on account of unwinding of finance cost to income statement post inauguration of DGKC Hub Plant.
- The downside impact was arrested by a positive tax reversal, likely on account of unused tax credits available on investments made in DGKC Hub Plant.

No. of Shares : 438mn

Exhibit:

DGKC Result Highlights

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Period end (JUN) - PKRmn	2QFY19	2QFY18	YoY	1QFY19	QoQ	1HFY19	1HFY18	YoY
Net Sales	11,581	8,236	41%	8,186	41%	19,767	15,764	25%
Gross Profit	2,147	2,595	-17%	1,037	107%	3,185	5,250	-39%
Sell. / Dist. & Admin	613	374	64%	347	77%	960	756	27%
Non-Operating Income	675	708	-5%	469	44%	1,145	1,193	-4%
EBIT	1,806	2,655	-32%	1,132	60%	2,938	5,217	-44%
Financial Charges	736	104	7.08x	612	20%	1,348	193	6.00x
Pre-tax Profits	1,070	2,551	-58%	520	2.06x	1,590	5,025	-68%
Taxation	(254)	1,655	n/m	102	n/m	(152)	1,291	n/m
Post-tax Profits	1,324	896	48%	418	2.17x	1,742	3,734	-53%
EPS	3.02	2.05		0.95		3.98	8.52	
DPS	-	-		-		-	-	
Key Ratios								
Gross Margin (%)	18.5	31.5		12.7		16.1	33.3	
Net Margin (%)	11.4	10.9		5.1		8.8	23.7	
Effective Tax Rate (%)	n/m	64.9		19.6		n/m	25.7	

Source: Company Accounts, IGI Research

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