Flash Note

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Power Generation and Distribution Companies

Kot Addu Power Company Limited (KAPCO)

Likely reversal of true up income and lower margin drags 4QFY19 EPS down to PKR 0.74; Surprise dividend of PKR 3.0/share

- Kot Addu Power Company Limited (KAPCO) announced financial results for 4QFY19 with earnings clocking in at PKR 0.65bn (EPS PKR 0.74) down by 84%YoY compared to PKR 4.01bn (EPS PKR 4.56) in the same period last year. On a sequential basis, earnings are down by 81%QoQ during 4QFY19. This brings total profitability to PKR 13.11bn (EPS PKR 14.90) for FY19, up by +24%YoY, compared to PKR 10.62bn (EPS PKR 12.06) in the corresponding period last year.
- The Company announced cash dividend of PKR 3.0/share for 4QFY19 bringing total cash payout for FY19 to PKR 4.5/share.
- We attribute this decline in earnings during 4QFY19 primarily on the back of a) lower gross margins of 11.21%, b) non-operating loss likely owing to reversal of true up income, and c) higher finance cost owing to rise in interest rate and short term borrowings.
- Net Revenues dropped by 2%YoY to PKR 29.85bn during 4QFY19, likely on the back of lower generation with a total load factor of 67% against 84% in the same period last year. This brings total revenues for FY19 to PKR 84.83bn down by 8%YoY likely owing to lower generation.
- Gross margins clocked in at 11.21% during 4QFY19 compared to 11.73% in the same period last year as most of the generation was gas/RLNG. As a result total gross margins stood at 16.75% for FY19 compared to 14.56% in FY18 owing to PKR depreciation.
- The Company reported non-operating loss of PKR 0.28bn during 4QFY19 likely owing to reversal of true up income leading to total other income of PKR 13.78bn for FY19, up by +46%YoY. Reversal of true up income is likely owing to changes in accounting policy and will likely be recorded once payments are received.
- Finance cost increased by +19%YoY to PKR 1.78bn during 4QFY19 likely owing to rise in mark up amid rise in interest rates and short term borrowings.
- Effective tax stood at 41.7% during 4QFY19 compared to 36.7% (3QFY19: 31.2%) reported in the corresponding period last year bringing total effective tax rate to 30.9% compared to 32.8% in the same period last year.

Exhibit:

KAPCO Financial Highlights

PKRmn	4QFY19	4QFY18	YoY	3QFY19	QoQ	FY19	FY18	YoY
Revenue	29,852	30,310	-2%	10,757	178%	84,831	91,916	-8%
Operating Costs	26,506	26,754	-1%	7,053	276%	70,625	78,537	-10%
Gross Profit	3,347	3,555	-6%	3,704	-10%	14,205	13,379	6%
Admin and Selling	176	149	18%	215	-18%	709	466	52%
Financial Charges	1,780	1,494	19%	2,126	-16%	8,306	6,188	34%
Other Income/(Expense)	(278)	4,735	-106%	3,676	-108%	13,781	9,453	46%
Pre Tax Profits	1,112	6,340	-82%	5,037	-78%	18,963	15,808	20%
Post Tax Profits	648	4,014	-84%	3,467	-81%	13,112	10,617	23%
EPS	0.74	4.56	-84%	3.94		14.90	12.06	24%
DPS	3.00	4.80		1.50		4.50	9.15	

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