Ambuja Cement (ACEM IN)

Rating: BUY | CMP: Rs577 | TP: Rs718

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Q2FY26 Result Update

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Change in Estimates

	Current		Previous	
	FY27E	FY28E	FY27E	FY28E
Rating	BUY		BUY	
Target Price	718		701	
Sales (Rs. m)	4,91,675	5,46,673	4,99,000	5,58,192
% Chng.	*(1.5)*	*(2.1)*		
EBITDA (Rs. m)	1,02,795	1,20,672	1,04,198	1,13,732
% Chng.	*(1.3)*	*6.1*		
EPS (Rs.)	15.3	28.7	17.2	26.0
% Chng.	*(10.6)*	*10.3*		

Key Financials - Consolidated

Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Sales (Rs. m)	3,50,448	4,44,587	4,91,675	5,46,673
EBITDA (Rs. m)	59,707	78,004	1,02,795	1,20,672
Margin (%)	*17.0*	*17.5*	*20.9*	*22.1*
PAT (Rs. m)	41,815	31,501	37,778	70,659
EPS (Rs.)	17.0	12.8	15.3	28.7
Gr. (%)	*13.3*	*(24.7)*	*19.9*	*87.0*
DPS (Rs.)	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.7
Yield (%)	*0.3*	*0.4*	*0.4*	*0.5*
RoE (%)	*8.8*	*5.7*	*6.4*	*11.0*
RoCE (%)	*7.3*	*7.7*	*9.8*	*14.5*
EV/Sales (x)	3.8	3.2	2.8	2.5
EV/EBITDA (x)	22.5	18.0	13.5	11.4
PE (x)	34.0	45.1	37.6	20.1
P/BV (x)	2.7	2.5	2.3	2.1

Key Data	ABUJ.BO | ACEM IN
52-W High / Low	Rs.625 / Rs.453
Sensex / Nifty	83,978 / 25,763
Market Cap	Rs.1,427bn/ $ 16,070m
Shares Outstanding	2,472m
3M Avg. Daily Value	Rs.1740.22m

Shareholding Pattern (%)

Promoter's	67.68
Foreign	5.91
Domestic Institution	19.63
Public & Others	6.78
Promoter Pledge (Rs bn)	-

Stock Performance (%)

	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	0.2	8.6	(0.9)
Relative	(3.1)	4.1	(5.9)

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Getting benefits of inorganic integration

Quick Pointers:

- FY28 capacity target raised by 15mtpa to 155mtpa via debottlenecking.
- Orient, Penna and Sanghi have moved ~100% into Adani Cement brands driving NSR.

Ambuja Cements (ACEM) delivered a strong cons operating performance in Q2FY26 with 20% YoY volume growth (16.6mt ex-clinker), driven by ramp up of recently acquired assets. Cement NSR declined 1% QoQ due to softer prices during the quarter. ACEM benefited from higher contribution from 100% integration of Orient & Penna volumes into Adani brands as major maintenance is also completed. Decline in RM costs due to lower purchase of goods and improved logistics efficiencies resulted in ACEM delivering EBITDA/t of Rs1,045 (Rs1,060 ex-clinker). Mgmt. reiterated its focus on cost optimization, targeting exit FY26 cost of Rs4,000/t and further reduction by 5% each year to Rs3,650/t by FY28 end, driven by higher green power usage (c. 33% share, target 60%) and group synergy benefits.

Integration of acquired assets has been largely completed along with major maintenance which is expected to drive volumes and profitability. Although there are delays in organic expansion, ACEM has enough capacity to grab incremental market share (c. CU% ~65%). With planned aggressive capacity expansion and consistent efforts to engage pan-India dealer & retailer network, ACEM is well poised to outpace industry growth. We remain positive on ACEM as it continues to strengthen its cost competitiveness, scale, and market leadership. We tweak our estimates assuming lower prices in near term and expect ACEM to deliver ~14% volume CAGR and 26% EBITDA CAGR over FY25–28E. Stock is trading at EV of 14.7x/12.5x FY27/28E EBITDA. Maintain 'Buy' with revised TP of Rs718 (Rs701 earlier) valuing at 17x EV of Sep'27E EBITDA.

- **Strong cons revenue growth aided by volumes & pricing**: Cons. revenue grew 21% YoY to Rs91.7bn (-11% QoQ; PLe Rs84bn) on strong 19% volumes. Cement volumes grew 20% YoY to 16.6mt (-10% QoQ; PLe 15.5mt). Total volume incl. clinker was 16.9mt (up 19% YoY; -11% QoQ). ACEM's market share has improved ~1pp YoY at 16.6%. Average cement realisation declined just 1% QoQ to Rs 5,195/t (+1% YoY) aided by higher pricing for acquired assets which got integrated into Adani brands (ACC/ACEM).
- **EBITDA/t aided by lower RM costs:** EBITDA grew 58% YoY to Rs17.6bn (-10% QoQ; PLe Rs13.8bn) on robust volumes, strong pricing on account of premium products and lower RM costs. RM costs/t declined 22% YoY to Rs777 on lower purchase of goods. P&F costs/t grew 6% YoY to Rs1,353 while freight cost/t declined 5% YoY to Rs1,224. Other expenses grew 11% YoY to Rs805 despite higher volumes. Resultant, ACEM delivered EBIDTA/t of Rs1,045/t (34% YoY/1% QoQ; Vs PLe of Rs 889/t). Cement EBITDA/t was Rs1,060/t. Cons. reported PAT grew ~4.6x YoY to Rs23bn (in-line; PLe 6.5bn) on reversal of taxes which included ACC's reversal amount of Rs5.17bn and ACEM's Rs11.8bn for old tax provisions following favourable High Court rulings.

Q2FY26 Conference Call Highlights:

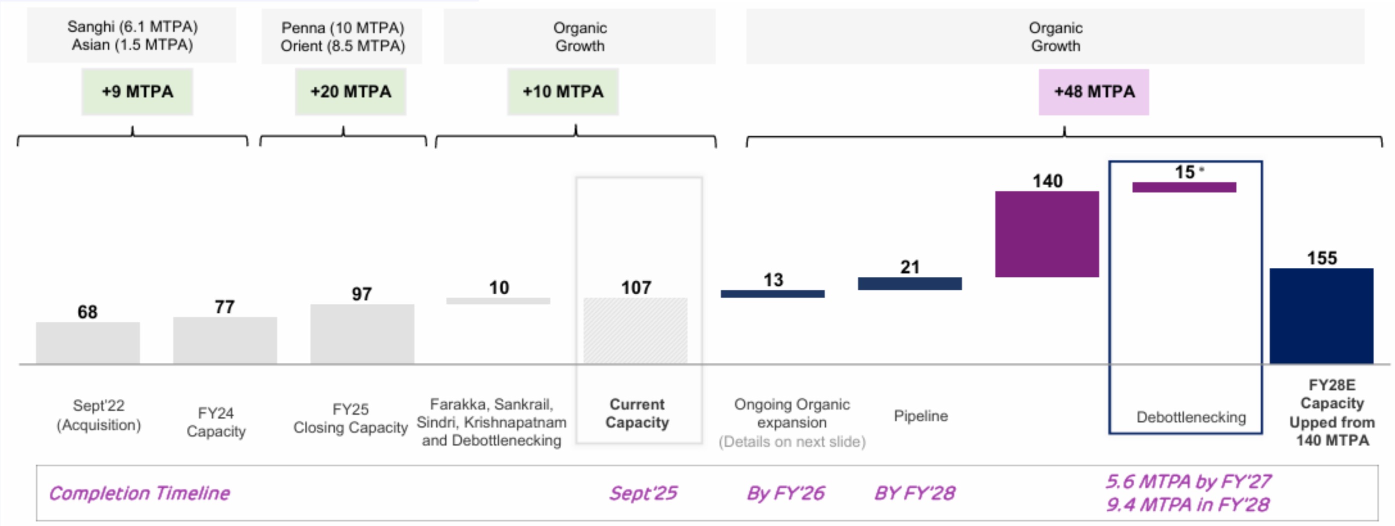
- As per mgmt., cement industry grew by 4% during the quarter and is expected to grow by 7–8% in FY26. ACEM delivered 11% volume growth without acquired asset volumes in Q2; with EBITDA/t of Rs1,180.
- Total costs are expected to reduce to Rs4,000/t by the end of FY26, Rs3,800/t by FY27, and Rs3,650/t by FY28 — a 5% reduction each year.
- The share of green power continues to rise, improving by 14.3 pp to 32.9%, with a target of 60% by FY28.
- The company commissioned 200MW of solar power during the quarter, taking total renewable energy capacity to 673MW. It expects to reach 900MW by the end of this year and 1,122MW by FY27.
- Lead distance declined by 2KM to 265KM, with a further 50KM reduction expected going forward.
- Average consolidated capacity utilisation stood at ~65–67% as per mgmt. The company expects to improve it further as demand strengthens.
- Average kiln fuel cost was Rs 1.65/kcal (Rs 1.60/kcal including AFR). This cost is expected to decline with higher AFR usage. Mgmt. built up 3months of coal inventory at lower prices.
- The average employee age is now 38 years, which is expected to enhance productivity going forward.
- FY28 EBITDA/t target stands at Rs 1,500 for the total group, by which time the acquired assets are also expected to improve.
- The company has successfully gained 1 pp market share, reaching 16.6%. Market share is expected to continue rising, with a target of 20–22% by FY28.

Capex:

- The FY28 target capacity has been increased by 15mtpa to 155mtpa. This incremental capacity will be achieved through debottlenecking at a lower capex of USD48/t.
- The company's capacity is expected to reach 118mt in FY26, 130mt in FY27, and 155mt in FY28.
- With ACEM achieving a total cement capacity of 155mtpa by FY28, the average life of its plants would reduce by around 40%.
- Debottlenecking of plant logistics infrastructure is expected to improve existing capacity utilisation by 3% over the next 24 months.
- The earlier clinker capacity target of 84mt has been revised upward to 96mt by FY28. Clinker capacity is expected to reach 73mt in FY26, 81mt in FY27, and 96mt in FY28 from c. 65mtpa.

- Trial runs have started for a new 4mtpa kiln line at Bhatapara (Chhattisgarh). In addition, a 2mtpa expansion at the KP plant has increased its total capacity to 4mtpa.
- ACEM is installing 13 blenders across various plants over the next 12 months to optimise product mix and increase the share of premium cement, thereby improving realisations.
- By FY28, cement consumption from own RMC plants is expected to rise to 5% from the c. 2%, with a total of 365 RMC plants planned by FY28.

Exhibit 1: Capacity roadmap: 107mt at present, 118mt by FY26, 130mt by FY27 and 155mt by FY28



Source: Company

Exhibit 2: Incremental capacities to be completed by the end of FY26

Projects under execution	Unit	State	Clinker (mtpa)	Cement (mtpa)	Expected Completion
Bhatapara Line 3	CU	CH	4.0	-	Q3 FY26
Salai Banwa	GU	UP	-	2.4	Q3 FY26
Marwar	GU	RJ	-	2.4	Q3 FY26
Dahej Line-2	GU	GJ	-	1.2	Q3 FY26
Kalamboli	GU	MH	-	1.0	Q3 FY26
Bathinda	GU	PB	-	1.2	Q4 FY26
Jodhpur - Penna	IU	RJ	3.0	2.0	Q4 FY26
Warisaliganj	GU	BH	-	2.4	Q4 FY26
Maratha Line 2	CU	MH	4.0	-	Q1 FY27
Total Capacity			**11.0**	**12.6**	

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 3: Debottlenecking target for FY27E

Debottlenecking (FY27)	Additional Capacity (mtpa)
Jamul	0.3
Chanda	0.3
Sindri	0.3
Nalagarh	0.3
Ropar	1.1
Roorkee	1.1
Maratha	2.2
Total FY27	**5.6**

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 4: Debottlenecking target for FY28E

Debottlenecking (FY28)	Additional Capacity (mtpa)
Boyareddypalli	1.1
Rabriyawas	1.1
Tandur	1.1
Bhatapara	1.2
Wadi	2.2
Tikaria	2.7
Total FY28	**9.4**
Total Debottlenecking	**15**

Source: Company, PL

ACEM aims to reach total cost of around Rs4,000/t by Mar'26 exit, setting the stage for a further 5% annual reduction over the next two years, targeting Rs3,650/t by end-FY28.

Exhibit 5: Cost reduction journey for FY28

Particulars	Rs/t
Exit Mar'26	~4,000
Raw materials	~50
Power & Fuel	~200
Logistics	~100
Other overheads	~50
Exit Mar'28	**~3,600 - 3,650**

Source: Company, PL

- Higher coal usage (lower petcoke) aided by group synergies and coal cess withdrawal.
- New IU/GU tech to enhance heat and power efficiency; plant age to reduce ~40%.
- Lead distance to drop by 50 km; sea logistics share to rise to 5%.
- Green power share to reach 60%, cutting power cost to Rs4.5/kWh (vs Rs6.0).
- Long-term fly ash and slag tie-ups to ensure stable supply, lowering clinker factor by 1%.

Exhibit 6: Target Price Calculation

Sep'25 basis (Rs m)	
EBITDA	1,11,734
EV/EBITDA multiple (x)	17.0
Targeted EV (ex-minorities)	17,29,178
Net debt/ (cash)	-39,440
Shareholder's s value	17,68,618
Value per share (Rs)	**718**

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 7: Q2FY26 Result Overview – Consolidated

Y/e March (Rs mn)	2QFY26	2QFY25	YoY gr. (%)	2QFY26E	% Var.	1QFY26	QoQ gr. (%)	H1FY26	H1FY25	YoY gr. (%)
Net Sales	**91,745**	**75,525**	***21.5***	**83,835**	***9.4***	**1,02,891**	***(10.8)***	**1,94,636**	**1,59,445**	***22.1***
Raw Material	13,085	14,224	*(8.0)*	15,738	*(16.9)*	15,245	*(14.2)*	28,330	29,997	*(5.6)*
% of Net Sales	*14.3*	*18.8*		*18.8*		*14.8*		*14.6*	*18.8*	
Staff Costs	4,051	3,486	*16.2*	3,588	*12.9*	4,177	*(3.0)*	8,229	6,656	*23.6*
% of Net Sales	*4.4*	*4.6*		*4.3*		*4.1*		*4.2*	*4.2*	
Power & Fuel	22,804	18,153	*25.6*	19,774	*15.3*	25,131	*(9.3)*	47,935	38,823	*23.5*
% of Net Sales	*24.9*	*24.0*		*23.6*		*24.4*		*24.6*	*24.3*	
Freight	20,632	18,252	*13.0*	20,672	*(0.2)*	24,225	*(14.8)*	44,857	39,213	*14.4*
% of Net Sales	*22.5*	*24.2*		*24.7*		*23.5*		*23.0*	*24.6*	
Other Expenses	13,564	10,295	*31.8*	10,316	*31.5*	14,502	*(6.5)*	28,066	20,844	*34.6*
% of Net Sales	*14.8*	*13.6*		*12.3*		*14.1*		*14.4*	*13.1*	
Total Expenduture	74,136	64,410	*15.1*	70,089	*5.8*	83,280	*(11.0)*	1,57,416	1,35,533	*16.1*
EBITDA	**17,609**	**11,114**	***58.4***	**13,747**	***28.1***	**19,611**	***(10.2)***	**37,220**	**23,912**	***55.7***
Margin (%)	*19.2*	*14.7*		*16.4*		*19.1*		*19.1*	*15.0*	
Depreciation	8,852	5,205	*70.1*	8,960	*(1.2)*	7,984	*10.9*	16,835	9,879	*70.4*
EBIT	**8,757**	**5,910**	***48.2***	**4,786**	***83.0***	**11,627**	***(24.7)***	**20,385**	**14,034**	***45.3***
Other income	2,570	3,740	*(31.3)*	4,656	*(44.8)*	2,561	*0.4*	5,131	7,288	*(29.6)*
Interest	768	669	*14.9*	695	*10.5*	671	*14.4*	1,440	1,347	*6.9*
PBT	**10,559**	**8,982**	***17.6***	**8,747**	***20.7***	**13,517**	***(21.9)***	**24,076**	**19,974**	***20.5***
Extraordinary income/(expense)	(2,228)	(1,562)	*42.6*	-	*NA*	400	*(657.0)*	1,828	1,562	*17.0*
PBT (After EO)	8,331	7,420	*12.3*	8,747	*(4.7)*	13,917	*(40.1)*	25,904	21,536	*20.3*
Tax	(14,648)	2,477	*(691.3)*	2,274	*(744.1)*	3,789	*(486.6)*	(10,859)	5,608	*(293.6)*
% PBT	*-175.8*	*33.4*		*26.0*		*27.2*		*-41.9*	*26.0*	
Reported PAT	**22,979**	**4,942**	***364.9***	**6,472**	***255.0***	**10,128**	***126.9***	**36,763**	**15,929**	***130.8***
Minority Interest	5,366	169	*3,069.3*	1,818	*195.2*	1,818	*195.2*	7,184	1,603	*348.3*
Share of profit in JV/Associates	44	22	*97.7*	-		42	*5.5*	86	56	*52.4*
Net Profit Attributable to shareholders	**17,657**	**4,795**	***268.2***	**4,655**	***279.3***	**8,352**	***111.4***	**29,665**	**14,382**	***106.3***

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 8: Operating Metrics

Y/e March	2QFY26	2QFY25	YoY gr. (%)	2QFY26E	% Var.	1QFY26	QoQ gr. (%)	H1FY26	H1FY25	YoY gr. (%)
Volume (mn te)	16.9	14.2	*18.7*	15.5	*9.0*	18.9	*(10.8)*	35.8	30.0	*19.2*
Net Realisations/t (Rs)	5,445	5,319	*2.4*	5,424	*0.4*	5,444	*0.0*	5,444	5,315	*2.4*
EBITDA/t (Rs)	1,045	783	*33.5*	889	*17.5*	1,038	*0.7*	1,041	797	*30.6*

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 9: Cons volumes (incl clinker) grew 19% YoY aided by acquired assets

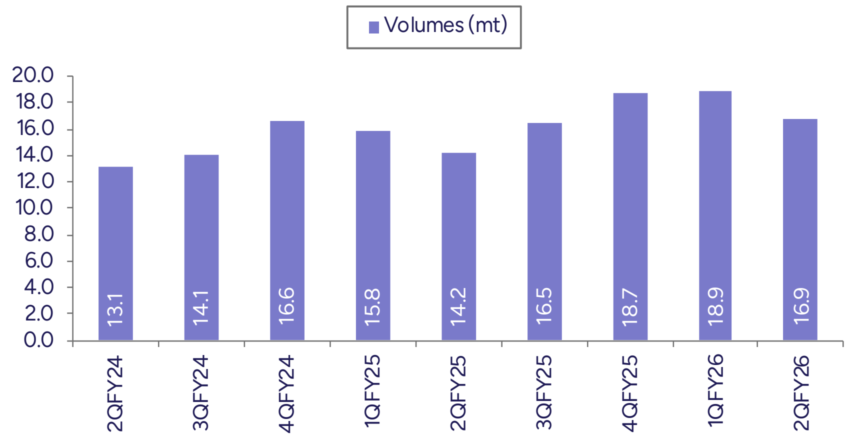


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Exhibit 10: Blended NSR declined 1% QoQ aided by integration of acquired assets

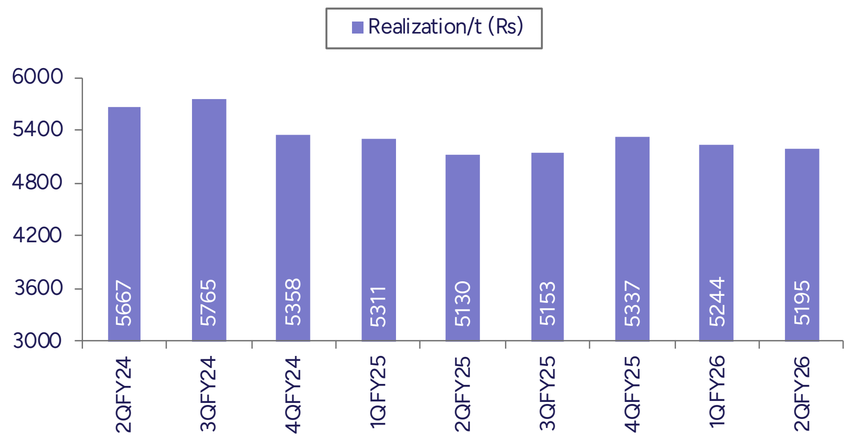

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Exhibit 11: RM costs/t declined 22% YoY on lower purchase of goods

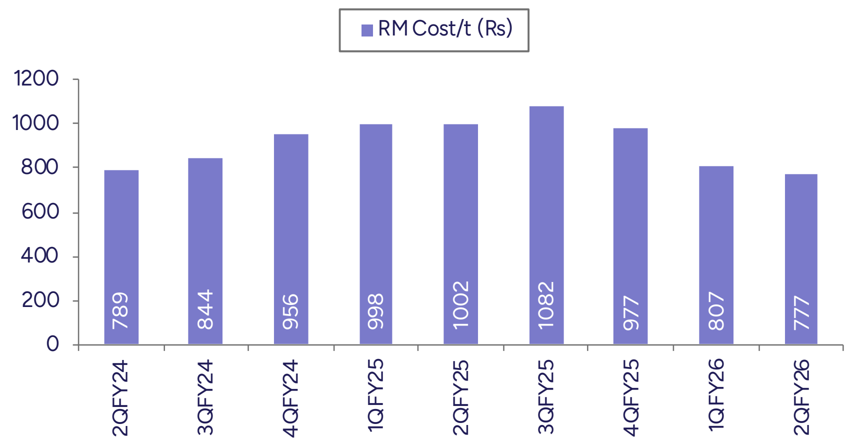

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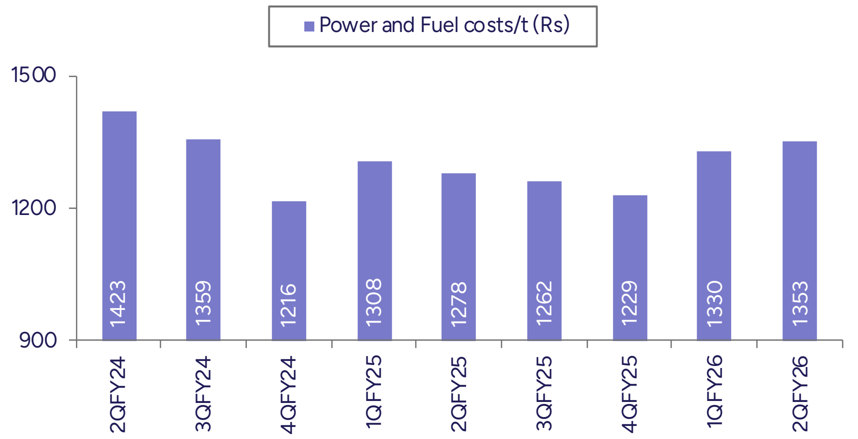
Exhibit 12: Power and fuel costs/t grew 6% YoY due to monsoon

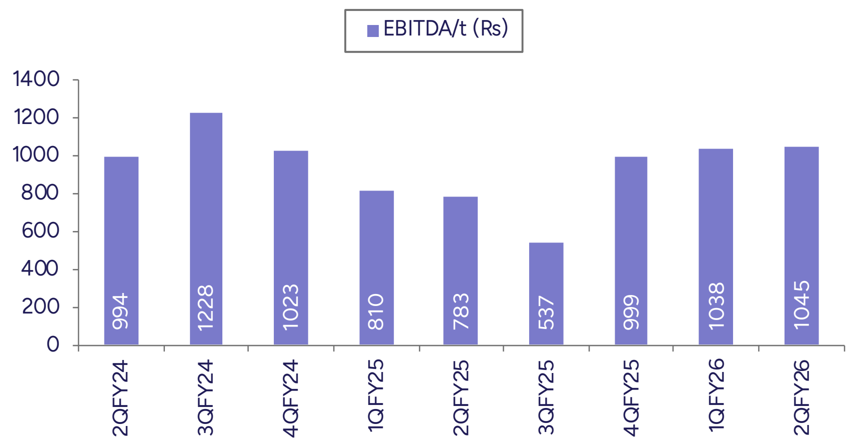


Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 13: Freight cost/t declined 5% YoY led by decline in lead distance

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 14: EBITDA/t grew 34% YoY on strong volume and lower RM costs



Source: Company, PL

Financials

Income Statement (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Net Revenues	**3,50,448**	**4,44,587**	**4,91,675**	**5,46,673**
YoY gr. (%)	*5.7*	*26.9*	*10.6*	*11.2*
Cost of Goods Sold	65,274	98,691	1,01,667	1,11,629
Gross Profit	2,85,173	3,45,896	3,90,008	4,35,045
Margin (%)	*81.4*	*77.8*	*79.3*	*79.6*
Employee Cost	14,034	16,160	19,159	20,679
Other Expenses	2,11,433	2,51,731	2,68,054	2,93,694
EBITDA	**59,707**	**78,004**	**1,02,795**	**1,20,672**
YoY gr. (%)	*(6.7)*	*30.6*	*31.8*	*17.4*
Margin (%)	*17.0*	*17.5*	*20.9*	*22.1*
Depreciation and Amortization	24,783	33,483	41,158	23,529
EBIT	**34,923**	**44,521**	**61,637**	**97,142**
Margin (%)	*10.0*	*10.0*	*12.5*	*17.8*
Net Interest	2,159	2,753	3,001	2,887
Other Income	26,543	9,802	8,670	9,240
Profit Before Tax	**59,092**	**73,668**	**72,306**	**1,08,495**
Margin (%)	*16.9*	*16.6*	*14.7*	*19.8*
Total Tax	7,640	18,027	19,942	22,263
Effective tax rate (%)	*12.9*	*24.5*	*27.6*	*20.5*
Profit after tax	**51,452**	**55,641**	**52,363**	**86,232**
Minority interest	9,910	9,717	11,344	12,332
Share Profit from Associate	132	28	28	28
Adjusted PAT	**41,815**	**31,501**	**37,778**	**70,659**
YoY gr. (%)	*27.0*	*(24.7)*	*19.9*	*87.0*
Margin (%)	*11.9*	*7.1*	*7.7*	*12.9*
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	(140)	14,450	3,270	3,270
Reported PAT	**41,674**	**45,951**	**41,048**	**73,928**
YoY gr. (%)	*32.1*	*10.3*	*(10.7)*	*80.1*
Margin (%)	*11.9*	*10.3*	*8.3*	*13.5*
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	41,674	45,951	41,048	73,928
Equity Shares O/s (m)	**2,463**	**2,463**	**2,463**	**2,463**
EPS (Rs)	**17.0**	**12.8**	**15.3**	**28.7**

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Non-Current Assets				
Gross Block	**5,53,665**	**7,85,665**	**8,60,665**	**9,35,665**
Tangibles	5,53,665	7,85,665	8,60,665	9,35,665
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Acc: Dep / Amortization	**1,27,887**	**1,61,370**	**2,02,529**	**2,26,058**
Tangibles	1,27,887	1,61,370	2,02,529	2,26,058
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Net fixed assets	**4,25,778**	**6,24,294**	**6,58,136**	**7,09,607**
Tangibles	4,25,778	6,24,294	6,58,136	7,09,607
Intangibles	-	-	-	-
Capital Work In Progress	1,14,405	32,405	27,405	32,405
Goodwill	-	-	-	-
Non-Current Investments	38,160	38,160	38,160	38,160
Net Deferred tax assets	(24,032)	(24,032)	(24,032)	(24,032)
Other Non-Current Assets	33,897	33,897	33,897	33,897
Current Assets				
Investments	18,222	18,222	18,222	18,222
Inventories	42,480	53,891	59,599	66,266
Trade receivables	15,903	14,617	16,165	17,973
Cash & Bank Balance	61,722	42,367	47,215	49,758
Other Current Assets	39,818	39,818	39,818	39,818
Total Assets	**8,09,454**	**9,16,741**	**9,57,687**	**10,25,175**
Equity				
Equity Share Capital	4,926	4,926	4,926	4,926
Other Equity	5,29,506	5,70,039	6,05,126	6,72,497
Total Networth	**5,34,433**	**5,74,965**	**6,10,052**	**6,77,423**
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term borrowings	268	42,268	32,268	22,268
Provisions	2,541	2,541	2,541	2,541
Other non current liabilities	1,552	1,552	1,552	1,552
Current Liabilities				
ST Debt / Current of LT Debt	-	-	-	-
Trade payables	27,595	42,632	47,147	44,932
Other current liabilities	1,07,692	1,07,692	1,07,692	1,07,692
Total Equity & Liabilities	**8,09,454**	**9,16,741**	**9,57,687**	**10,25,175**

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Cash Flow (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
PBT	59,224	73,668	72,306	1,08,495
Add. Depreciation	24,783	33,483	41,158	23,529
Add. Interest	2,159	2,753	3,001	2,887
Less Financial Other Income	26,543	9,802	8,670	9,240
Add. Other	(25,979)	(9,802)	(8,670)	(9,240)
Op. profit before WC changes	60,188	1,00,102	1,07,795	1,25,672
Net Changes-WC	(34,012)	4,912	(2,741)	(10,690)
Direct tax	(3,802)	(18,027)	(19,942)	(22,263)
Net cash from Op. activities	**22,374**	**86,987**	**85,112**	**92,719**
Capital expenditures	(1,39,376)	(1,50,000)	(70,000)	(80,000)
Interest / Dividend Income	-	-	-	-
Others	64,065	9,802	8,670	9,240
Net Cash from Invt. activities	**(75,311)**	**(1,40,198)**	**(61,330)**	**(70,760)**
Issue of share cap. / premium	83,391	-	-	-
Debt changes	(20,083)	42,000	(10,000)	(10,000)
Dividend paid	(5,630)	(5,419)	(5,961)	(6,557)
Interest paid	(1,758)	(2,753)	(3,001)	(2,887)
Others	-	-	-	-
Net cash from Fin. activities	**55,920**	**33,828**	**(18,962)**	**(19,444)**
Net change in cash	**2,983**	**(19,383)**	**4,820**	**2,515**
Free Cash Flow	(64,497)	(63,013)	15,112	12,719

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Key Financial Metrics

Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Per Share(Rs)				
EPS	17.0	12.8	15.3	28.7
CEPS	27.0	26.4	32.0	38.2
BVPS	217.0	233.4	247.7	275.0
FCF	(26.2)	(25.6)	6.1	5.2
DPS	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.7
Return Ratio(%)				
RoCE	7.3	7.7	9.8	14.5
ROIC	7.7	6.5	7.9	12.8
RoE	8.8	5.7	6.4	11.0
Balance Sheet				
Net Debt : Equity (x)	(0.1)	0.0	(0.1)	(0.1)
Net Working Capital (Days)	32	21	21	26
Valuation(x)				
PER	34.0	45.1	37.6	20.1
P/B	2.7	2.5	2.3	2.1
P/CEPS	21.3	21.9	18.0	15.1
EV/EBITDA	22.5	18.0	13.5	11.4
EV/Sales	3.8	3.2	2.8	2.5
Dividend Yield (%)	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Quarterly Financials (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	Q3FY25	Q4FY25	Q1FY26	Q2FY26
Net Revenue	**85,022**	**99,806**	**1,02,891**	**91,745**
YoY gr. (%)	*4.6*	*12.2*	*22.6*	*21.5*
Raw Material Expenses	17,861	18,268	15,245	13,085
Gross Profit	67,161	81,537	87,646	78,660
Margin (%)	*79.0*	*81.7*	*85.2*	*85.7*
EBITDA	**8,855**	**18,676**	**19,611**	**17,609**
YoY gr. (%)	*(48.9)*	*9.9*	*53.2*	*58.4*
Margin (%)	*10.4*	*18.7*	*19.1*	*19.2*
Depreciation / Depletion	6,640	7,864	7,984	8,852
EBIT	**2,215**	**10,812**	**11,627**	**8,757**
Margin (%)	*2.6*	*10.8*	*11.3*	*9.5*
Net Interest	670	143	671	768
Other Income	7,729	5,733	2,561	2,570
Profit before Tax	**9,274**	**16,402**	**13,517**	**10,559**
Margin (%)	*10.9*	*16.4*	*13.1*	*11.5*
Total Tax	(2,840)	4,973	3,789	(14,648)
Effective tax rate (%)	*(30.6)*	*30.3*	*28.0*	*(138.7)*
Profit after Tax	**12,114**	**11,429**	**9,728**	**25,207**
Minority interest	-	-	-	-
Share Profit from Associates	30	47	42	44
Adjusted PAT	**26,201**	**12,822**	**10,170**	**23,023**
YoY gr. (%)	*140.5*	*(16.0)*	*28.8*	*363.7*
Margin (%)	*30.8*	*12.8*	*9.9*	*25.1*
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	-	-	-
Reported PAT	**26,201**	**12,822**	**10,170**	**23,023**
YoY gr. (%)	*140.5*	*(16.0)*	*28.8*	*363.7*
Margin (%)	*30.8*	*12.8*	*9.9*	*25.1*
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	**26,201**	**12,822**	**10,170**	**23,023**
Avg. Shares O/s (m)	2,463	2,463	2,463	2,463
EPS (Rs)	**10.6**	**5.2**	**4.1**	**9.3**

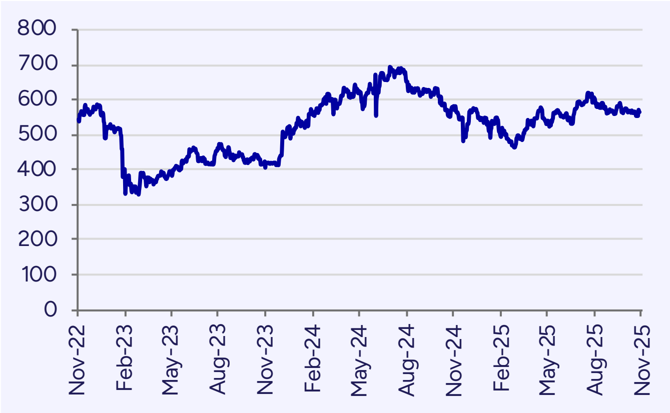
Source: Company Data, PL Research

Key Operating Metrics

Y/e Mar	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Cons. Volume (mt)	65	81	88	97
Cons. Net Realisations (Rs/t)	5,375	5,484	5,575	5,624
Cons. EBITDA/ t (Rs/t)	916	962	1,165	1,241

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Price Chart



Recommendation History

No.	Date	Rating	TP (Rs.)	Share Price (Rs.)
1	08-Oct-25	BUY	701	570
2	01-Aug-25	BUY	685	593
3	07-Jul-25	BUY	690	592
4	03-Jul-25	BUY	692	594
5	30-Apr-25	BUY	658	545
6	07-Apr-25	BUY	643	529
7	30-Jan-25	BUY	628	522
8	08-Jan-25	BUY	707	538

Analyst Coverage Universe

Sr. No.	Company Name	Rating	TP (Rs)	Share Price (Rs)
1	ACC	BUY	2,374	1,882
2	Adani Port & SEZ	BUY	1,777	1,400
3	Ambuja Cement	BUY	701	570
4	Dalmia Bharat	Accumulate	2,372	2,250
5	Hindalco Industries	BUY	883	768
6	Jindal Stainless	Hold	759	758
7	Jindal Steel	Accumulate	1,151	1,071
8	JSW Infrastructure	Accumulate	338	309
9	JSW Steel	Hold	1,118	1,166
10	National Aluminium Co.	BUY	280	217
11	NMDC	Accumulate	86	77
12	Nuvoco Vistas Corporation	Accumulate	459	412
13	Shree Cement	Accumulate	31,769	28,585
14	Steel Authority of India	Hold	143	137
15	Tata Steel	Accumulate	196	171
16	Ultratech Cement	Accumulate	13,425	12,370

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