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Fauji Cement Company Limited (FCCL) FY25 Results

Monday, August 11, 2025

FCCL announced its FY25 results, posting a profit after tax of PKR 13.33bn (EPS: PKR 5.43), up 62% y/y from PKR 8.22bn (EPS: PKR 3.35) in FY24. The result came exactly in line with our expectations (HMFS est.: EPS PKR 5.3) with a higher-than-expected payout (DPS: PKR 1.25 vs. HMFS est.: PKR 1.00).

- **Topline growth:** Revenue increased 11.2% y/y to PKR 88.96bn, supported by higher offtakes and firm retention prices.
- **Strong margin expansion:** Gross profit rose 22.9% y/y to PKR 31.57bn, with gross margins improving to 35.5% from 32.1% in FY24, driven by reduced coal and energy expenses coupled with firm pricing strategy.
- **Efficient cost management:** Selling & distribution expenses fell 10.7% y/y to PKR 2.94bn, while administrative expenses rose 11.4% y/y to PKR 1.69bn.
- Other income boost: Increased 40.8% y/y to PKR 761mn, supported by returns on short-term investments.
- Lower finance costs: Interest expense declined 10.2% y/y to PKR 4.70bn, aided by reduced borrowing rates.
- **Tax impact:** Effective tax rate stood at 38.1% in FY25 vs. 46.3% in FY24, providing earnings support.
- Dividend: The company announced a cash dividend of PKR 1.25/share, higher than our estimate of PKR 1.00/share.

Earnings growth was underpinned by improved margins, disciplined cost management, and reduced finance costs, alongside a notable increase in other income.

| Financials (PKR in mn) | FY25 | FY24 | Y/Y |
|------------------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|
| Revenue | 88,956 | 80,026 | 11.2% |
| Cost of sales | (57,385) | (54,346) | 5.6% |
| Gross profit | 31,571 | 25,680 | 22.9% |
| Selling and distribution expense | (2,935) | (3,286) | -10.7% |
| Administrative expenses | (1,689) | (1,516) | 11.4% |
| Other expenses | (1,479) | (827) | 78.9% |
| Other income | 761 | 540 | 40.8% |
| Operating profit | 26,229 | 20,592 | 27.4% |
| Finance cost | (4,703) | (5,237) | -10.2% |
| Profit before final taxes and income tax | 21,526 | 15,355 | 40.2% |
| Final taxes - levy | - | (55) | -100.0% |
| Profit before income tax | 21,526 | 15,300 | 40.7% |
| Income tax | (8,199) | (7,077) | 15.9% |
| Profit for the year | 13,326 | 8,223 | 62.1% |
| EPS (Basic & Diluted) | 5.43 | 3.35 | |

Source: Company Financials, HMFS Research

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Maple Leaf Cement Company Limited (MLCF) FY25 Results

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Maple Leaf Cement Factory Ltd. (MLCF) announced its FY25 results, posting consolidated earnings of PKR 11.5bn (EPS: PKR 10.98), up 66% y/y from PKR 6.9bn (EPS: PKR 6.51) in FY24. The result came exactly in line with our expectations (HMFS est.: PKR 10.5), with earnings strength driven by robust gross margins, sharply higher other income, and lower finance costs.

- **Revenue:** PKR 68.7bn, up 3% y/y from PKR 66.45bn, supported by improved pricing despite relatively stable offtakes.
- Gross Margins: Increased to 37.1% from 33.8% SPLY, reflecting firm cement prices and higher-value product mix.
- Administrative Expenses: Rose 15% y/y to PKR 2.35bn, reflecting higher payroll and general overheads.
- Other Income: Jumped 583% y/y to PKR 2.08bn, primarily on gains from short-term investments.
- Finance Cost: Fell 42% y/y to PKR 1.98bn, owing to lower borrowing rates and reduced short-term debt.
- Effective Tax Rate: 29.6% in FY25 vs. 35.7% in FY24, aided by tax credits.

Overall, FY25 profitability was supported by margin expansion, lower finance costs, and significantly higher non-core income, offsetting increases in administrative and other expenses.

| Financials (PKR in mn) | FY25 | FY24 | Y/Y |
|------------------------------------------|----------|----------|--------|
| Revenue | 68,654 | 66,452 | 3.3% |
| Cost of sales | (43,212) | (44,022) | -1.8% |
| Gross profit | 25,442 | 22,430 | 13.4% |
| Selling and distribution expense | (4,134) | (5,472) | -24.5% |
| Administrative expenses | (2,345) | (1,988) | 18.0% |
| Net impairment loss on financial | (514) | (357) | 44.0% |
| Other expenses | (1,419) | (699) | 102.9% |
| Other income | 2,078 | 304 | 583.2% |
| Operating profit | 19,108 | 14,219 | 34.4% |
| Finance cost | (1,978) | (3,412) | -42.0% |
| Share of net loss of associate | (761) | - | |
| Profit before final taxes and income tax | 16,369 | 10,806 | 51.5% |
| Final taxes - levy | (39) | (46) | -14.9% |
| Profit before income tax | 16,330 | 10,760 | 51.8% |
| Income tax | (4,826) | (3,841) | 25.7% |
| Profit for the year | 11,503 | 6,920 | 66.2% |
| EPS (Basic & Diluted) | 10.98 | 6.51 | |

Source: Company Financials, HMFS Research

* Consolidated Financials

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