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## Lucky Cement Limited



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Result Review: 1HFY25 EPS @ PKR 47.24

#### 2QFY25: Earnings arrived at PKR 24.84/share

Lucky Cement Limited (LUCK) announced its financial result for 1HFY25 today, posting an unconsolidated earnings of PKR 13,840mn (EPS: PKR 47.24), showcasing a increase of 1% YoY as compared to earnings of PKR 13,710mn (EPS:PKR 46.79) in SPLY. During 2QFY25 earnings arrived at PKR 7,278mn (EPS: PKR 24.84) against PKR 6,781mn (EPS: PKR 23.14), an increase of 7% YoY I 11% QoQ.

#### **Result Highlights**

- During 1HFY25, sales reached PKR 64.3bn, reflecting a 7% YoY growth from PKR 59.9bn in the corresponding period last year, driven by higher dispatches, which rose by 9% YoY. In 2QFY25, topline stood at PKR 34.5bn, marking a 13% YoY increase from PKR 30.5bn in SPLY due 16% YoY rise in dispatches.
- Gross margins for 1HFY25 stood at 34.2%, down from 36.4% in SPLY, mainly due to higher energy prices and an increased share of exports in total dispatches. In 2QFY25, gross margins declined by 77bps YoY to 35.3% for the same reasons.
- Selling and distribution expenses surged by 31% YoY in 1HFY25, reaching PKR 4,906mn, which we attribute to the axle load factor. In 2QFY25, these expenses increased by 27% YoY and 9% QoQ.
- Other income grew by 21% YoY to PKR 7,479mn in 1HFY25, primarily driven by higher short-term investments, which reached PKR 49.9bn as of Dec'24. In 2QFY25, other income also rose by 16% YoY for the same reason.
- Finance costs grew by 3% YoY in 1HFY25, amounting to PKR 827mn, driven by higher borrowings which has increased to PKR 13.5bn. In 2QFY25, finance costs increased by 10% YoY and 30% QoQ due to the same factor.
- The company booked effective taxation of 35.5% in 2QFY25 as compared to 33.0% during SPLY.

Exhibit: Financial Highlights (Unconsolidated)							
(PKR mn)	1HFY25	1HFY24	YoY	2QFY25	2QFY24	YoY	QoQ
Net Revenue	64,321	59,880	7%	34,498	30,499	13%	16%
Gross Profit	21,990	21,820	1%	12,164	10,990	11%	24%
Admin Exp.	1,210	1,020	19%	611	531	15%	2%
Distribution Exp.	4,906	3,746	31%	2,556	2,012	27%	9%
Other Exp.	1,412	1,856	-24%	785	941	-17%	25%
Other Income	7,479	6,196	21%	3,541	3,045	16%	-10%
Finance Cost	827	806	3%	467	424	10%	30%
PBT	21,114	20,588	3%	11,285	10,127	11%	15%
Taxation	7,274	6,878	6%	4,007	3,346	20%	23%
Tax Rate	34.5%	33.4%		35.5%	33.0%		
PAT	13,840	13,710	1%	7,278	6,781	7%	11%
EPS (PKR)	47.24	46.79		24.84	23.14		

Source (s): Company Financials, AHL Research

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