

JK Cement (JKCE IN)

Q4FY26 Result Update

May 25, 2026

 Estimate Change | Target | Reco.

Change in Estimates

| | Current | | Previous | |
|-----------------|------------|---------|------------|---------|
| | FY27E | FY28E | FY27E | FY28E |
| Rating | Accumulate | | Accumulate | |
| Target Price | 6,101 | | 6,017 | |
| Sales (INR mn) | 160,467 | 186,473 | 163,232 | 185,174 |
| % Chng. | (1.7) | 0.7 | | |
| EBITDA (INR mn) | 28,217 | 36,179 | 29,009 | 35,755 |
| % Chng. | (2.7) | 1.2 | | |
| EPS (INR) | 148.2 | 203.2 | 153.4 | 195.7 |
| % Chng. | (3.4) | 3.8 | | |

Key Data

JKCE.BO | JKCE IN

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|---------------------|--------------------------|
| BSE Code | 532644 |
| NSE Code | JKCEMENT |
| 52-W High / Low | INR 7,565 / INR 4,800 |
| Face Value | 10 |
| Sensex / Nifty | 76,489 / 24,032 |
| Market Cap | INR 420 bn / \$ 4,415 mn |
| Shares Outstanding | 77.27 mn |
| 3M Avg. Daily Value | INR 451.96 mn |

Shareholding Pattern (%)

| | |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Promoters | 45.66 |
| FII | 16.86 |
| Mutual Funds | 21.61 |
| Domestic Institutions | 2.14 |
| Public & Others | 13.73 |
| Promoter's Pledge (INR bn) | - |

Stock Performance (%)

| | 1M | 3M | 6M | 12M |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Absolute | (2.6) | (3.9) | (2.6) | 6.5 |
| Relative | (2.3) | 3.4 | 7.7 | 13.8 |

Key Financials - Consolidated

| Y/e Mar | FY25 | FY26 | FY27E | FY28E |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Sales (INR mn) | 118,792 | 137,223 | 160,467 | 186,473 |
| EBITDA (INR mn) | 20,271 | 23,743 | 28,217 | 36,179 |
| Margin (%) | 17.1 | 17.3 | 17.6 | 19.4 |
| PAT (INR mn) | 8,619 | 9,926 | 11,459 | 15,704 |
| EV (INR mn) | 460,819 | 476,713 | 497,754 | 492,496 |
| Total Debt (INR mn) | 58,955 | 60,736 | 78,736 | 78,736 |
| C&C Eq. (INR mn) | 2,973 | 1,190 | (1,741) | 3,631 |
| EPS (INR) | 111.5 | 128.5 | 148.3 | 203.2 |
| Gr. (%) | 8.7 | 15.2 | 15.4 | 37.1 |
| DPS (INR) | 15.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| Yield (%) | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| RoE (%) | 15.0 | 15.1 | 15.2 | 17.9 |
| RoCE (%) | 12.6 | 13.7 | 14.0 | 16.2 |
| EV/Sales (x) | 3.9 | 3.5 | 3.1 | 2.6 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 22.7 | 20.1 | 17.6 | 13.6 |
| PE (x) | 48.8 | 42.4 | 36.7 | 26.8 |
| P/BV (x) | 6.9 | 6.0 | 5.2 | 4.4 |

Capacity ramp up to support volume growth

Quick Pointers

- Fuel/input costs are expected to rise by ~INR150/t, while diesel hikes could add ~INR50/t.
- Recent price hikes of ~INR10/bag have broadly offset input cost inflation except diesel

JK Cement (JKCE) reported a largely inline operating performance in Q4FY26, driven by strong grey cement volume growth of 13% YoY, supported by healthy demand and an extended footprint in Central and Eastern markets. Blended NSR declined 0.9% QoQ mainly due to white cement business impacted by the ongoing geopolitical situation at Fujairah, while grey cement realizations improved 2.4% QoQ aided by better trade mix. Cost performance remained largely stable, with lower freight and raw material costs partly offsetting the increase in power & fuel costs due to elevated pet coke prices. Resultant, JKCE reported cons blended EBITDA/t of INR1,002 (PLe INR1,026). Mgmt. indicated that recent price hikes of ~INR10/bag have broadly offset the expected input cost inflation of INR150-200/t in Q1FY27.

We expect JKCE to continue delivering strong volume-led growth and market share gains across North, Central and Eastern markets, supported by ramp-up of recently commissioned capacities. Management expects double-digit volume growth in FY27, ahead of industry growth, while the next phase of expansion targeted for FY28 should further strengthen its regional presence and growth visibility. While near-term profitability may remain sensitive to elevated fuel costs amid geopolitical uncertainties, recent price hikes would be important to sustain margins going ahead. Alongside ongoing cost optimisation initiatives and strong execution capabilities, we remain positive on JKCE's long-term growth outlook. We tweak our estimates for FY27/28E by -2.7%/+1.2% on higher opex & higher volumes, and expect JKCE to deliver EBITDA/volume CAGR of 23%/13% over FY26-28E. The stock is trading at EV of 17.6x/13.6x FY27E/28E EBITDA. Maintain 'Accumulate' with revised TP of Rs6,101 (earlier Rs6,017) valuing at 15x EV of Mar'28E EBITDA.

Other important points:

- Double digit volume growth is expected in FY27.
- Employee costs are expected to increase ~12-14% YoY in FY27.
- Mgmt. expects additional cost savings of ~INR50/t in FY27.
- FY27/FY28 capex is guided at ~INR35-40bn/~INR15-20bn.

Quarter Summary

| Y/e Mar | Q4'26E | Q4'26A | % Var. | Q4'25A | YoY gr. (%) |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------|
| Net Sales (INR mn) | 40,494 | 38,875 | -4.0 | 35,812 | 9.0 |
| EBITDA (INR mn) | 6,936 | 6,825 | -2.0 | 7,649 | -11.0 |
| Margin (%) | 17.1 | 17.6 | 50 bps | 21.4 | -380 bps |
| PAT (INR mn) | 3,060 | 3,329 | 9.0 | 3,604 | -8.0 |

Source: Company, PL

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Strong volumes led to growth in revenue: Cons. Revenue grew 9% YoY to INR38.9bn (+12% QoQ; PLe of INR40.5bn) led by strong grey cement volumes. Cons. Volumes grew 12% YoY to 6.81mt (+13% QoQ; PLe of 6.76mt) led by improved demand & extended footprint in Central incl. East Market. (Grey Cement volumes grew 13% YoY to 6.16mt (+15% QoQ). White cement volumes grew 8% YoY to 0.65mt (flat QoQ on volume loss in UAE due to war). Std. revenue grew 10% YoY to INR36.8bn (+15% QoQ). Blended average NSR declined 0.9% QoQ to INR5,709/t (-3.4% YoY; PLe of INR5,849) due to decline in White cement NSR. Average grey cement realisation grew 2.4% QoQ to INR4,838/t (-1.3% YoY), while white cement NSR declined 0.7% QoQ to INR13,015/t (-1.1% YoY).

EBITDA/t declined on lower NSR and higher P&F: Cons. EBITDA declined 11% YoY to INR6.8bn (+22% QoQ; PLe of INR6.9bn) due to higher P&F, which grew 16% YoY to INR1,084/t due to increase in fuel cost to INR1.48/kcal (Q4FY25: INR1.41/kcal, Q3FY26: INR1.5/kcal). Freight costs declined 2% YoY to INR1,333/t due to decline in lead distance to 418km (Q3FY26: 421km, Q4FY25: 434km). RM costs declined 5% YoY to INR892/t despite higher volumes and input costs. Other expenses were flat YoY at INR969/t led by better operating leverage. Std. EBITDA declined 9% YoY to INR6.7bn (+25% QoQ). Resultantly, JKCE delivered cons. EBITDA/t of INR1,002/t (-21% YoY/+8% QoQ) vs PLe of INR1,026, whereas Std. EBITDA/t declined 19% YoY to INR1,023/t (+10% QoQ). Cons. PAT declined 8% YoY to INR3.3bn (+91% QoQ; PLe of INR3bn). Std. PAT declined 17% YoY to INR3.4bn (+91% QoQ). Cement/clinker capacity utilization stood at 82%/93% (Q3FY26: 83%/97%), respectively. Trade share stood at 68% (Q3FY26: 60%) while the share of premium sales stood at 18% (Q3FY26: 17%). The share of blended cement stood at 65% (Q3FY26: 64%).

Q4FY26 Concall Highlights:

Demand, Volumes & Market Outlook

- Grey cement volumes are expected to grow in double digits in FY27, with mgmt. targeting at least ~2.5mt incremental volumes (possibly higher) vs industry demand growth guidance of ~6-8%.
- North India continues to operate at high utilisation levels, while utilisation for the expanded Central India capacity at ~65-70%.
- White cement volumes are expected to grow by ~8-10% in FY27 despite geopolitical disruptions in UAE operations.

Pricing, Costs & Operational Performance

- Cement prices were increased by ~INR10/bag during Apr-May'26, broadly offsetting recent input cost inflation.
- Fuel cost inflation for Q1FY27 is estimated at ~INR150-200/t due to higher imported fuel costs, while diesel price increases could further add ~INR50/t impact.
- Packaging cost pressures seen during Q4FY26 have largely moderated as supply-side constraints eased.
- Employee costs increased due to commissioning of new plants, reversal of salary capitalisation, annual increments, labour code-related provisions, and additional manpower hiring. Expects employee costs to increase ~12-14% YoY in FY27.
- Other expenses increased due to higher volumes, branding spends, packing costs and variable selling expenses. Additional branding spend of ~INR0.5-0.6bn is planned in FY27.
- Management expects another ~INR50/t cost savings in FY27, largely driven by higher green power share and increased AFR usage in North and South plants.

- Fuel mix during Q4FY26: Pet coke 50%, AFR 12%, balance domestic coal.
- Fuel cost stood at ~INR1.48/kcal during the quarter.
- Rail share stood at 8%, while blended cement ratio stood at 67%.
- Management expects lead distance to remain broadly stable despite expansion into newer markets.
- Green power share is expected to increase to ~55% in FY27 from 51% in FY26, supported by ~80MW projects under implementation.

Capex and Expansion

- FY27 capex guidance stands at ~INR35-40bn, while FY28 capex is guided at ~INR15-20bn (excluding future unapproved expansions).
- Management highlighted ~INR0.3bn savings in the Panna project cost versus the original estimate.
- JKCE remains committed to its long-term roadmap of reaching ~50mtpa capacity by FY30.
- Discarded certain old thermal power assets in grey and white cement operations, which are expected to be sold as scrap, as the focus shifts toward green power.

White Cement, Paints & Value-Added Products

- White cement and wall putty prices were increased to offset higher chemical/input costs.
- Management indicated that white cement profitability pressures from competition are unlikely to worsen materially going ahead.
- Paint business revenue stood at ~INR3.8bn in FY26 with EBITDA losses of ~INR0.4bn.
- Paint business revenue is expected to grow to ~INR5-5.5bn in FY27 with EBITDA breakeven targeted during the year.

Others

- Incentives accrued during Q4FY26 stood at ~INR0.29bn, while FY26 incentives stood at ~INR2.3bn.
- Expects incentives to increase to ~INR2.5-2.6bn in FY27, aided by upcoming approvals for Bihar and other grinding units. Outstanding incentive receivables stood at ~INR3bn as of Mar'26.
- Domestic white cement demand is currently being serviced through the Gotan plant, replacing supplies earlier routed from UAE for select southern markets.
- Recently acquired limestone resources in Telangana (~500mt reserves) could support the next phase of expansion beyond the current FY30 roadmap.
- No immediate expansion plans have been finalised for Odisha or Saifco.

Exhibit 1 : Capex Status

| Project/Location | Capacity Addition | Capex | Amount Spent | Status / Expected Commissioning |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|---|
| Jaisalmer, Rajasthan | 4mtpa Clinker + 3mtpa GU | INR36.3bn | ~INR7.4bn | Civil construction and equipment erection in advanced stage; commissioning targeted in H1FY28 |
| Bikaner, Rajasthan | 2mtpa GU | INR5.6bn | INR0.89bn | Orders placed; targeted commissioning in H1FY28 |
| Punjab Grinding Unit | 2mtpa GU | INR6.1bn | INR0.83bn | Land acquired; approvals under process; equipment orders placed; commissioning in H1FY28 |
| Nathdwara, Rajasthan | 0.6mtpa Wall Putty Plant | INR1.95bn | INR1bn | Expected by Sep'26 |

Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 2 : Q4FY26 Result Review - Consolidated

| Y/e March (INR mn) | Q4FY26 | Q4FY25 | YoY gr. (%) | Q4FY26E | % Var. | Q3FY26 | QoQ gr. (%) | FY26 | FY25 | YoY gr. (%) |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Net Sales | 38,875 | 35,812 | 8.6 | 40,494 | (4.0) | 34,631 | 12.3 | 1,37,223 | 1,18,792 | 15.5 |
| Total RM Costs | 6,076 | 6,097 | (0.3) | 7,345 | (17.3) | 6,137 | (1.0) | 22,376 | 20,175 | 10.9 |
| % of Net Sales | 15.6 | 17.0 | | 18.1 | | 17.7 | | 16.3 | 17.0 | |
| Employee Benefits Expense | 2,914 | 2,298 | 26.8 | 2,574 | 13.2 | 2,590 | 12.5 | 10,454 | 9,017 | 15.9 |
| % of Net Sales | 7.5 | 6.4 | | 6.4 | | 7.5 | | 7.6 | 7.6 | |
| Power and Fuel Expense | 7,382 | 5,644 | 30.8 | 6,989 | 5.6 | 6,547 | 12.8 | 25,984 | 21,801 | 19.2 |
| % of Net Sales | 19.0 | 15.8 | | 17.3 | | 18.9 | | 18.9 | 18.4 | |
| Freight and Forwarding Expense | 9,079 | 8,244 | 10.1 | 9,564 | (5.1) | 8,216 | 10.5 | 31,462 | 26,797 | 17.4 |
| % of Net Sales | 23.4 | 23.0 | | 23.6 | | 23.7 | | 22.9 | 22.6 | |
| Other expenses | 6,599 | 5,881 | 12.2 | 7,085 | (6.9) | 5,566 | 18.6 | 23,204 | 20,730 | 11.9 |
| % of Net Sales | 17.0 | 16.4 | | 17.5 | | 16.1 | | 16.9 | 17.5 | |
| Total Expenditure | 32,050 | 28,163 | 13.8 | 33,558 | (4.5) | 29,056 | 10.3 | 1,13,481 | 98,520 | 15.2 |
| EBITDA | 6,825 | 7,649 | (10.8) | 6,936 | (1.6) | 5,575 | 22.4 | 23,743 | 20,271 | 17.1 |
| Margin (%) | 17.6 | 21.4 | | 17.1 | | 16.1 | | 17.3 | 17.1 | |
| Depreciation and Amortisation Expense | 1,824 | 1,623 | 12.4 | 1,687 | 8.1 | 1,747 | 4.4 | 6,530 | 6,015 | 8.6 |
| EBIT | 5,002 | 6,026 | (17.0) | 5,249 | (4.7) | 3,828 | 30.7 | 17,213 | 14,257 | 20.7 |
| Other Income | 413 | 459 | (10.0) | 477 | (13.5) | 459 | (10.1) | 1,945 | 1,730 | 12.5 |
| Interest | 979 | 1,135 | (13.7) | 1,180 | (17.1) | 1,126 | (13.1) | 4,243 | 4,592 | (7.6) |
| PBT | 4,436 | 5,350 | (17.1) | 4,546 | (2.4) | 3,161 | 40.3 | 14,915 | 11,395 | 30.9 |
| Exceptional Items | 0 | 0 | NA | 0 | NA | 478 | (100.0) | 478 | -1,024 | NA |
| PBT (After EO) | 4,436 | 5,350 | (17.1) | 4,546 | (2.4) | 2,683 | 65.3 | 14,437 | 12,418 | 16.3 |
| Tax | 1,127 | 1,736 | (35.1) | 1,500 | (24.9) | 947 | 19.0 | 4,559 | 3,702 | 23.1 |
| % PBT | 25.4 | 32.5 | | 33.0 | | 35.3 | | 31.6 | 29.8 | |
| Reported PAT | 3,309 | 3,614 | (8.4) | 3,046 | 8.7 | 1,736 | 90.6 | 9,879 | 8,716 | 13.3 |
| Minority Interest | -20 | 10 | NA | -13 | NA | -10 | NA | -45 | 111 | NA |
| Shares of Associates | -1 | -1 | NA | 2 | NA | 0 | NA | 1 | 6 | NA |
| Net Profit Attributable to shareholders | 3,329 | 3,604 | (7.6) | 3,060 | 8.8 | 1,746 | 90.6 | 9,925 | 8,611 | 15.3 |

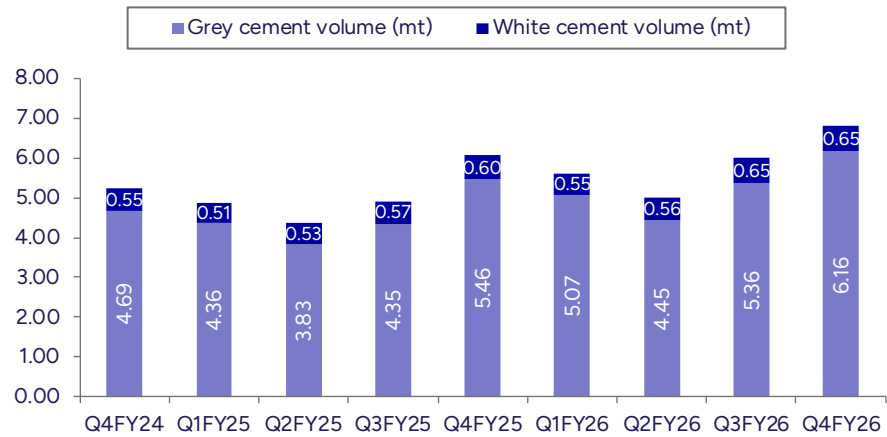
Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 3 : Operating Parameters

| Y/e March | Q4FY26 | Q4FY25 | YoY gr. (%) | Q4FY26E | % Var. | Q3FY26 | QoQ gr. (%) | FY26 | FY25 | YoY gr. (%) |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|-------------|---------|--------|--------|-------------|-------|-------|-------------|
| Sales volume (mt) | 6.8 | 6.1 | 12.4 | 6.8 | 0.7 | 6.0 | 13.3 | 23.5 | 20.2 | 16.0 |
| Net Realisations/t (INR) | 5,709 | 5,910 | (3.4) | 5,990 | (4.7) | 5,762 | (0.9) | 5,852 | 5,876 | (0.4) |
| EBITDA/t (INR) | 1,002 | 1,262 | (20.6) | 1,026 | (2.3) | 928 | 8.0 | 1,012 | 1,003 | 1.0 |

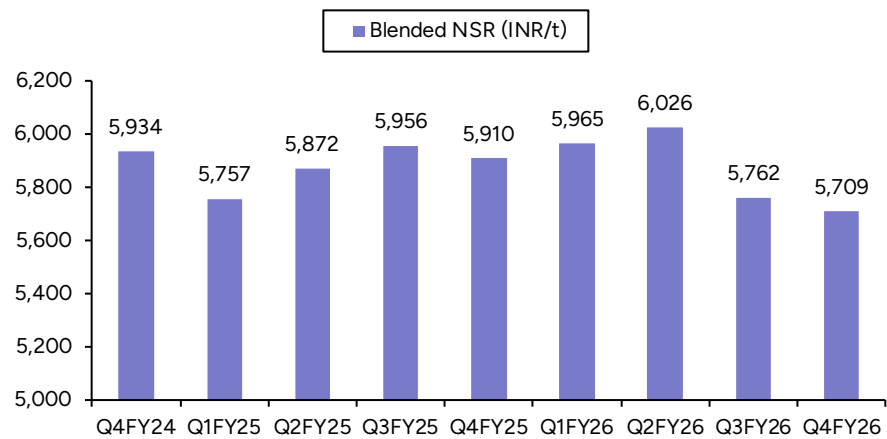
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Exhibit 4 : Total volumes grew 12% YoY on improved demand & extended footprints



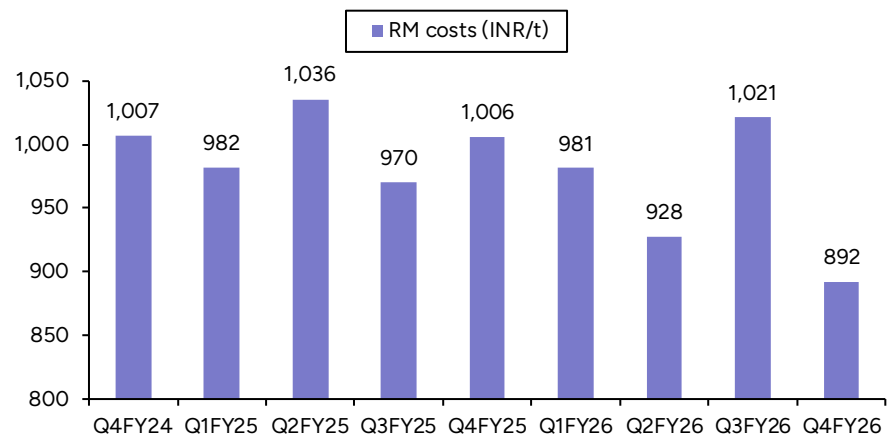
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Exhibit 5 : Blended NSR declined 0.9% QoQ on decline in White Cement NSR



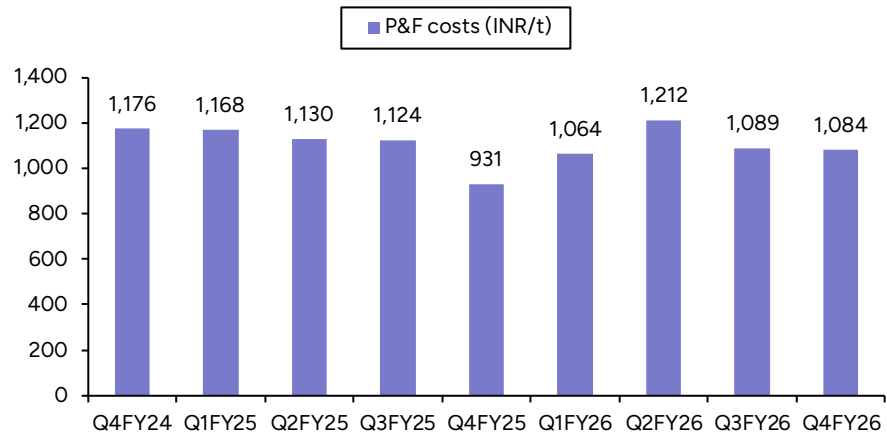
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Exhibit 6 : RM cost/t declined 5% YoY despite higher input costs and volumes



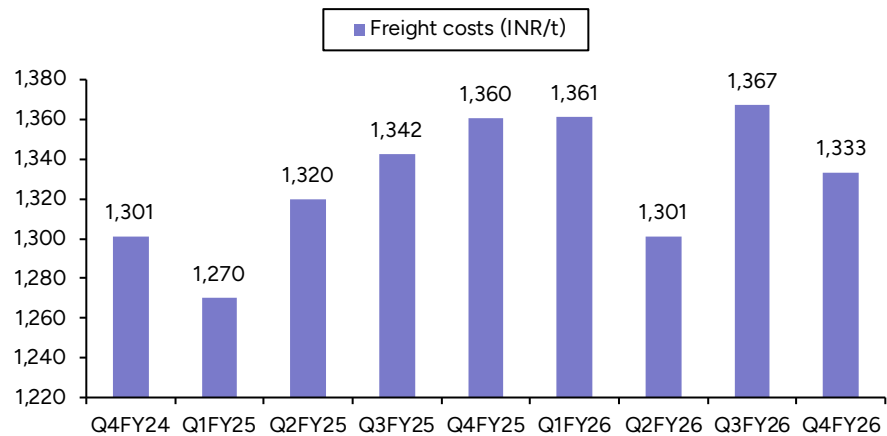
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Exhibit 7 : P&F costs/t grew 16% YoY due to increase in pet coke prices



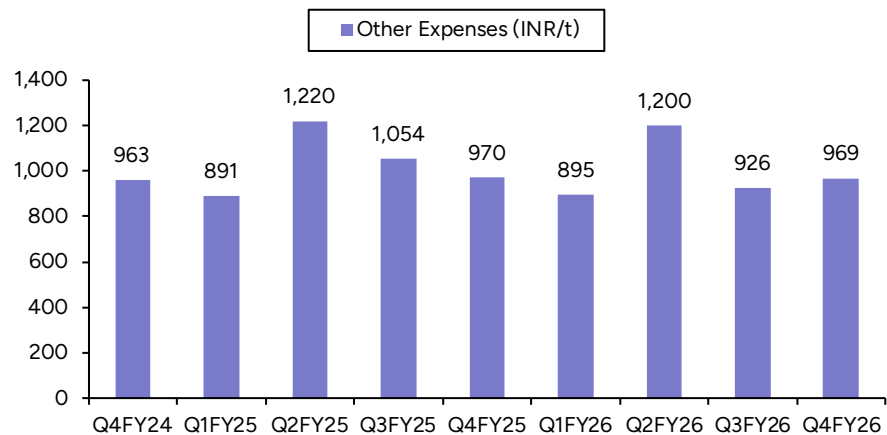
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Exhibit 8 : Freight costs declined 2% YoY led by decline in lead distance (418km)



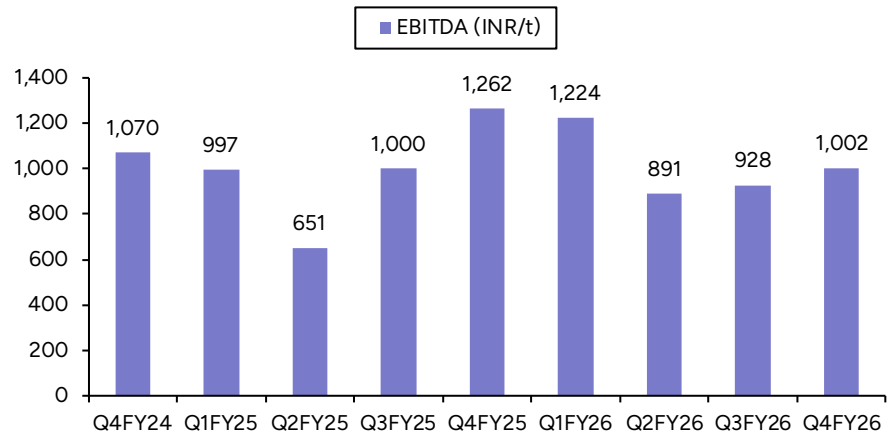
Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 9 : Other expenses were flat YoY on strong operating leverage



Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 10 : EBITDA/t declined 21% YoY due to weak NSR and higher P&F



Source: Company, PL

Exhibit 11 : Target Price Calculation

| Consolidated Valuation Table | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| EBITDA-Mar'28E (INR mn) | 36,179 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 15 |
| EV (Rs mn)-(a) | 5,42,690 |
| Less: Net debt (INR mn)-(b) | 71,277 |
| Residual Value (INR mn)-(a-b) | 4,71,413 |
| Shares Outstanding (mn) | 77 |
| Fair Value/share | 6,101 |

Source: Company, PL

Financials

Income Statement (INR mn)

| Y/e Mar | FY25 | FY26 | FY27E | FY28E |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Net Revenues | 118,792 | 137,223 | 160,467 | 186,473 |
| YoY gr. (%) | 2.8 | 15.5 | 16.9 | 16.2 |
| Cost of Goods Sold | 20,175 | 22,376 | 25,407 | 29,341 |
| Gross Profit | 98,616 | 114,847 | 135,061 | 157,132 |
| Margin (%) | 83.0 | 83.7 | 84.2 | 84.3 |
| Employee Cost | 9,017 | 10,454 | 11,708 | 13,113 |
| Other Expenses | 69,327 | 80,650 | 95,136 | 107,839 |
| EBITDA | 20,271 | 23,743 | 28,217 | 36,179 |
| YoY gr. (%) | (1.6) | 17.1 | 18.8 | 28.2 |
| Margin (%) | 17.1 | 17.3 | 17.6 | 19.4 |
| Depreciation and Amortization | 6,015 | 6,530 | 7,928 | 9,303 |
| EBIT | 14,257 | 17,213 | 20,288 | 26,876 |
| Margin (%) | 12.0 | 12.5 | 12.6 | 14.4 |
| Net Interest | 4,592 | 4,243 | 5,579 | 6,299 |
| Other Income | 1,730 | 1,945 | 2,271 | 2,650 |
| Profit Before Tax | 12,418 | 14,437 | 16,980 | 23,227 |
| Margin (%) | 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.6 | 12.5 |
| Total Tax | 3,702 | 4,559 | 5,434 | 7,433 |
| Effective Tax Rate (%) | 29.8 | 31.6 | 32.0 | 32.0 |
| Profit After Tax | 8,716 | 9,879 | 11,546 | 15,794 |
| Minority Interest | 111 | (45) | 111 | 113 |
| Share Profit from Associate | 6 | 1 | 23 | 23 |
| Adjusted PAT | 8,619 | 9,926 | 11,459 | 15,704 |
| YoY gr. (%) | 8.7 | 15.2 | 15.4 | 37.1 |
| Margin (%) | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 8.4 |
| Extra Ord. Income / (Exp) | - | - | - | - |
| Reported PAT | 8,611 | 9,925 | 11,459 | 15,704 |
| YoY gr. (%) | 8.9 | 15.3 | 15.5 | 37.1 |
| Margin (%) | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 8.4 |
| Other Comprehensive Income | - | - | - | - |
| Total Comprehensive Income | 8,611 | 9,925 | 11,459 | 15,704 |
| Equity Shares O/s (mn) | 77 | 77 | 77 | 77 |
| EPS (INR) | 111.5 | 128.5 | 148.3 | 203.2 |

Source: Company, PL

Balance Sheet (INR mn)

| Y/e Mar | FY25 | FY26 | FY27E | FY28E |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Non-Current Assets | | | | |
| Gross Block | 130,681 | 157,958 | 167,958 | 212,958 |
| Tangibles | 128,078 | 153,565 | 163,565 | 208,565 |
| Intangibles | 2,604 | 4,393 | 4,393 | 4,393 |
| Acc: Dep / Amortization | 39,068 | 45,598 | 53,526 | 62,829 |
| Tangibles | 38,557 | 45,087 | 53,015 | 62,318 |
| Intangibles | 511 | 511 | 511 | 511 |
| Net Fixed Assets | 91,613 | 112,360 | 114,431 | 150,128 |
| Tangibles | 89,521 | 108,478 | 110,550 | 146,246 |
| Intangibles | 2,092 | 3,882 | 3,882 | 3,882 |
| Capital Work In Progress | 13,175 | 10,546 | 40,546 | 15,546 |
| Goodwill | 1,602 | 1,749 | 1,749 | 1,749 |
| Non-Current Investments | 5,383 | 11,159 | 11,159 | 11,159 |
| Net Deferred Tax Assets | (12,215) | (13,831) | (15,529) | (17,852) |
| Other Non-Current Assets | 5,007 | 7,569 | 7,569 | 7,569 |
| Current Assets | | | | |
| Investments | 4,567 | 327 | 327 | 327 |
| Inventories | 11,751 | 15,249 | 16,706 | 18,903 |
| Trade Receivables | 7,866 | 7,601 | 8,353 | 9,196 |
| Cash & Bank Balance | 13,697 | 4,691 | 1,761 | 7,132 |
| Other Current Assets | 4,715 | 4,864 | 5,835 | 6,761 |
| Total Assets | 166,816 | 185,000 | 218,548 | 240,220 |
| Equity | | | | |
| Equity Share Capital | 773 | 773 | 773 | 773 |
| Other Equity | 60,117 | 69,600 | 79,601 | 93,850 |
| Total Networth | 60,890 | 70,373 | 80,373 | 94,623 |
| Non-Current Liabilities | | | | |
| Long Term Borrowings | 46,003 | 46,618 | 64,618 | 64,618 |
| Provisions | 335 | 250 | 250 | 250 |
| Other Non Current Liabilities | 7,518 | 7,784 | 7,784 | 7,784 |
| Current Liabilities | | | | |
| ST Debt / Current of LT Debt | 12,952 | 14,118 | 14,118 | 14,118 |
| Trade Payables | 10,981 | 12,161 | 13,189 | 15,327 |
| Other Current Liabilities | 15,147 | 18,466 | 21,176 | 24,026 |
| Total Equity & Liabilities | 166,816 | 185,000 | 218,548 | 240,220 |

Source: Company, PL

Cash Flow (INR mn)

| Y/e Mar | FY25 | FY26 | FY27E | FY28E |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| PBT | 12,424 | 14,439 | 16,980 | 23,227 |
| Add. Depreciation | 6,015 | 6,530 | 7,928 | 9,303 |
| Add. Interest | 4,507 | 4,186 | 5,579 | 6,299 |
| Less Financial Other Income | 1,730 | 1,945 | 2,271 | 2,650 |
| Add. Other | (1,639) | (1,326) | (2,271) | (2,650) |
| Op. Profit before WC Changes | 21,306 | 23,828 | 28,217 | 36,179 |
| Net Changes-WC | 92 | (3,009) | (668) | (617) |
| Direct Tax | (2,004) | (2,088) | (3,736) | (5,110) |
| Net Cash from Op. Activities | 19,394 | 18,730 | 23,813 | 30,452 |
| Capital Expenditures | (16,983) | (23,983) | (40,000) | (20,000) |
| Interest / Dividend Income | 1,627 | 1,607 | 2,271 | 2,650 |
| Others | (3,740) | 4,922 | - | - |
| Net Cash from Invnt. Activities | (19,097) | (17,454) | (37,729) | (17,350) |
| Issue of Share Cap. / Premium | - | - | - | - |
| Debt Changes | 6,987 | 1,655 | 18,000 | - |
| Dividend Paid | (1,544) | (1,159) | (1,545) | (1,545) |
| Interest Paid | (4,401) | (4,059) | (5,579) | (6,299) |
| Others | (303) | (284) | 111 | 113 |
| Net Cash from Fin. Activities | 738 | (3,847) | 10,987 | (7,731) |
| Net Change in Cash | 1,035 | (2,571) | (2,930) | 5,371 |
| Free Cash Flow | 2,196 | (5,432) | (16,187) | 10,452 |

Source: Company, PL

Quarterly Financials (INR mn)

| Y/e Mar | Q1FY26 | Q2FY26 | Q3FY26 | Q4FY26 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Net Revenues | 33,525 | 30,192 | 34,631 | 38,875 |
| YoY gr. (%) | 19.4 | 17.9 | 18.2 | 8.6 |
| Raw Material Expenses | 5,516 | 4,647 | 6,137 | 6,076 |
| Gross Profit | 28,009 | 25,545 | 28,493 | 32,799 |
| Margin (%) | 83.5 | 84.6 | 82.3 | 84.4 |
| EBITDA | 6,877 | 4,466 | 5,575 | 6,825 |
| YoY gr. (%) | 41.4 | 57.3 | 13.3 | (10.8) |
| Margin (%) | 20.5 | 14.8 | 16.1 | 17.6 |
| Depreciation / Depletion | 1,464 | 1,495 | 1,747 | 1,824 |
| EBIT | 5,412 | 2,971 | 3,828 | 5,002 |
| Margin (%) | 16.1 | 9.8 | 11.1 | 12.9 |
| Net Interest | 1,085 | 1,053 | 1,126 | 979 |
| Other Income | 564 | 509 | 459 | 413 |
| Profit before Tax | 4,891 | 2,427 | 2,683 | 4,436 |
| Margin (%) | 14.6 | 8.0 | 7.7 | 11.4 |
| Total Tax | 1,649 | 836 | 947 | 1,127 |
| Effective Tax Rate (%) | 33.7 | 34.5 | 35.3 | 25.4 |
| Profit After Tax | 3,242 | 1,591 | 1,736 | 3,309 |
| Minority Interest | (2) | (13) | (10) | (20) |
| Share Profit from Associate | - | 2 | - | (1) |
| Adjusted PAT | 3,244 | 1,605 | 1,746 | 3,329 |
| YoY gr. (%) | 75.1 | (303.5) | (7.9) | (7.6) |
| Margin (%) | 9.7 | 5.3 | 5.0 | 8.6 |
| Extra Ord. Income / (Exp) | - | - | - | - |
| Reported PAT | 3,244 | 1,605 | 1,746 | 3,329 |
| YoY gr. (%) | 75.1 | (303.5) | (7.9) | (7.6) |
| Margin (%) | 9.7 | 5.3 | 5.0 | 8.6 |
| Other Comprehensive Income | - | - | - | - |
| Total Comprehensive Income | 3,244 | 1,605 | 1,746 | 3,329 |
| Avg. Shares O/s (mn) | 77 | 77 | 77 | 77 |
| EPS (INR) | 42.0 | 20.8 | 22.6 | 43.1 |

Source: Company, PL

Key Financial Metrics

| Y/e Mar | FY25 | FY26 | FY27E | FY28E |
|----------------------------|-------|--------|---------|---------|
| Per Share (INR) | | | | |
| EPS | 111.5 | 128.5 | 148.3 | 203.2 |
| CEPS | 189.4 | 213.0 | 250.9 | 323.6 |
| BVPS | 788.0 | 910.7 | 1,040.2 | 1,224.6 |
| FCF | 28.4 | (70.3) | (209.5) | 135.3 |
| DPS | 15.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| Return Ratio (%) | | | | |
| RoCE | 12.6 | 13.7 | 14.0 | 16.2 |
| ROIC | 10.6 | 9.8 | 9.6 | 11.5 |
| RoE | 15.0 | 15.1 | 15.2 | 17.9 |
| Balance Sheet | | | | |
| Net Debt : Equity (x) | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.8 |
| Net Working Capital (Days) | 27 | 28 | 27 | 25 |
| Valuation (x) | | | | |
| PER | 48.7 | 42.3 | 36.6 | 26.7 |
| P/B | 6.9 | 5.9 | 5.2 | 4.4 |
| P/CEPS | 28.7 | 25.5 | 21.6 | 16.8 |
| EV/EBITDA | 22.7 | 20.0 | 17.6 | 13.6 |
| EV/Sales | 3.8 | 3.4 | 3.1 | 2.6 |
| Dividend Yield (%) | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| FCFF Yield (%) | 0.5 | (1.3) | (3.9) | 2.4 |
| PEG Ratio | 5.5 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 0.7 |

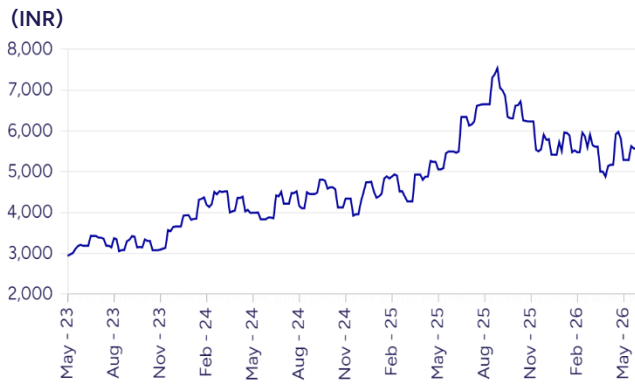
Source: Company, PL

Key Operating Metrics

| Y/e Mar | FY25 | FY26 | FY27E | FY28E |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total cement volume (mt) | 20 | 23 | 26 | 30 |
| Blended Real. (Rs/t) | 5,877 | 5,852 | 6,087 | 6,186 |
| Blended EBITDA/t (Rs) | 1,003 | 1,012 | 1,070 | 1,200 |

Source: Company, PL

Price Chart



Recommendation History

| No. | Date | Rating | TP (INR) | Share Price (INR) |
|-----|-----------|------------|----------|-------------------|
| 1 | 09-Apr-26 | Accumulate | 6017 | 5566 |
| 2 | 19-Jan-26 | Accumulate | 6199 | 5790 |
| 3 | 08-Jan-26 | Accumulate | 6173 | 5961 |
| 4 | 31-Dec-25 | Accumulate | 6173 | 5494 |

Analyst Coverage Universe

| Sr. No. | Company Name | Rating | TP (INR) | Share Price (INR) |
|---------|---------------------------|------------|----------|-------------------|
| 1 | ACC | BUY | 2188 | 1411 |
| 2 | Adani Port & SEZ | BUY | 1879 | 1657 |
| 3 | Ambuja Cement | BUY | 524 | 445 |
| 4 | Dalmia Bharat | BUY | 2235 | 1796 |
| 5 | Hindalco Industries | HOLD | 1126 | 1109 |
| 6 | Jindal Stainless | Accumulate | 821 | 779 |
| 7 | Jindal Steel | Accumulate | 1289 | 1223 |
| 8 | JK Cement | Accumulate | 6017 | 5566 |
| 9 | JK Lakshmi Cement | BUY | 765 | 620 |
| 10 | JSW Cement | Accumulate | 142 | 127 |
| 11 | JSW Infrastructure | Buy | 342 | 284 |
| 12 | JSW Steel | Accumulate | 1381 | 1297 |
| 13 | National Aluminium Co. | Hold | 413 | 399 |
| 14 | NMDC | Accumulate | 95 | 84 |
| 15 | Nuvoco Vistas Corporation | Buy | 474 | 305 |
| 16 | Shree Cement | Accumulate | 27907 | 24975 |
| 17 | Steel Authority of India | Accumulate | 209 | 192 |
| 18 | Tata Steel | Accumulate | 247 | 217 |
| 19 | Ultratech Cement | BUY | 13835 | 12010 |

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| | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| BUY | : > 15% |
| Accumulate | : 5% to 15% |
| Hold | : +5% to -5% |
| Reduce | : -5% to -15% |
| Sell | : < -15% |
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| Under Review (UR) | : Rating likely to change shortly |

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