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Bank Alfalah Limited (BAFL)

Earnings: Bank Alfalah Limited (BAFL) announced its financial result for the third quarter of the year 2023. As per the financial result, the Bank reported unconsolidated earnings of PKR 8.63bn (PKR 5.47/share) earnings during 3QCY23 compared to PKR 5.39bn (PKR 3.42/share) last year, an increase of +10%q/q and a jump of +60%/y. This brings total profitability for 9MCY23 to PKR 27.25bn (PKR 17.28/share), up by +93%/y.

Dividend/Payout: The Bank did not announce any cash dividend along with the result in line with its policy. Total cash payout for 9MCY23 stands at PKR 3/share.

Operating Performance: During the 3QCY23 period under review, the Bank reported net-interest income of PKR 32bn (up by +45%/y) and non-interest income of PKR 6bn (down by 16%/y). As a result, the bank's total revenue stood at PKR 37bn (up by +31%/y). Moreover, BAFL recorded operating expenses of PKR 16bn (up by +20%/y), which improved the bank's cost/income ratio to 44% (last year: 48%). The bank booked a hefty provision charge of PKR 4.2bn during 3QCY23 compared to a provision charge of PKR 4.1bn in the same period last year. The tax charge for this quarter came at PKR 8bn (effective tax rate of 49% compared to 50% in 3QCY22. This brings total effective tax rate for 9MCY23 to 48% compared to 49% in the similar period last year.

Exhibit: Financial Highlights Bank Al-Falah Limited (BAFL) - Unconsolidated								
Latest result published for 3Q'/23								
Period (PKRbn)	9MCY23	3Q'/23	2Q'/23	1Q'/23	9MCY22	3Q'/22	2Q'/22	1Q'/22
Net Interest Income	91	32	31	28	54	22	18	14
Fee Income	11	4	3	3	8	3	3	2
Treasury Income	8	2	3	3	9	4	4	2
Non-Interest Income	19	6	6	7	17	7	7	4
Total Revenue	110	37	38	34	71	28	24	19
Op. Exp.	(48)	(16)	(16)	(15)	(36)	(14)	(12)	(10)
Provision charge	(9.2)	(4.2)	(4.5)	(0.5)	(8.1)	(4.1)	(3.7)	(0.4)
Profit Before Tax	53	17	17	19	28	11	9	8
Tax	(26)	(8)	(9)	(8)	(14)	(5)	(5)	(3)
Profit After tax	27.25	8.63	7.88	10.74	14.09	5.39	3.69	5.02
EPS	17.28	5.47	4.99	6.81	8.94	3.42	2.34	3.18
DPS	3.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	2.50	0.00	2.50	0.00

Source: Company accounts, IGI Research. No. of shares: 1577.2mn

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