# Flash Note

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## Cement

### CHCC: Tax reversals drove 2QFY18 earnings up by +20%YoY to PKR 4.21/share

- Cherat Cement Company Limited (CHCC) declared its 2QFY18 financial result with earnings registered at PKR 743mn (EPS: PKR 4.21) up by +20%YoY (up +23%QoQ) as compared to PKR 621mn (EPS PKR 3.51) in the similar period last year. This has taken 1HFY18 earnings to PKR 1,350 (EPS: PKR 7.64) as against PKR 1,025 (EPS: PKR 5.80) in 1HFY17. The Company also declared dividends of PKR 1.00/share along with the result.
- Sales of the Company during the quarter increased by +60%YoY, largely owing to enhanced capacity at the company's disposal as against same period last year.
- The gross profit margins of the Company were significantly eroded to 24% as against 42% in the corresponding quarter of preceding year due to lower retention prices accredited to a) falling cement prices in the region; b) rising coal prices globally; and c) imposition of enhanced FED through Finance Act 2017-18.
- Major accretion to earnings stems from tax reversal of PKR 129mn as against tax charge of PKR 191mn in the similar quarter of the preceding year.

#### Exhibit:

### **CHCC Result Highlights**

Period end (JUN) - PKRmn	2QFY18	2QFY17	YoY	1HFY18	1HFY17	YoY
Net Sales	3,695	2,311	60%	7,586	4,083	86%
Gross Profit	872	979	-11%	1,861	1,676	11%
Sell. / Dist. & Admin	147	143	3%	285	256	11%
Non-Operating Income	17	42	-59%	37	60	-38%
EBIT	701	819	-14%	1,532	1,378	11%
Financial Charges	87	7	12.73x	182	13	13.68x
Pre-tax Profits	614	812	-24%	1,349	1,365	-1%
Taxation	(129)	191	n/m	(O)	340	n/m
Post-tax Profits	743	621	20%	1,350	1,025	32%
EPS	4.21	3.51	20%	7.64	5.80	32%
DPS	1.00	1.00				
Key Ratios						
Gross Margin (%)	23.6	42.4		24.5	41.1	
Net Margin (%)	20.1	26.9		17.8	25.1	
Effective Tax Rate (%)	(21.1)	23.5		(0.0)	24.9	

Source: Company Accounts, IGI Research

No. of shares: 176.63mn

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