

Oil & Gas - Exploration Companies

### Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL)

## Lower oil prices and production drags EPS down by 33%YoY to PKR 4.05 during 4QFY20, DPS PKR 1.0

- Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL) announced its financial results for 4QFY20 with earnings clocking in at PKR 11.03bn (EPS PKR 4.05) as compared to PKR 16.38bn (EPS PKR 6.02) in the same period last year, down by 33% YoY. On a sequential basis, earnings are down by 25% QoQ. This brings total profitability for FY20 to PKR 50.26bn (EPS PKR 18.47) down by 18% YoY compared to PKR 61.63bn (EPS PKR 22.65) last year.
- The Company announced cash dividend of PKR 1.0/share along with the result.
- We attribute this decline in earnings during 4QFY20 due to a) 61% YoY drop in average oil prices despite 11% YoY average PKR depreciation against greenback, b) lower oil/gas production down by 32%/15% YoY and, c) lower other income in the absence of exchange gains. However, earnings decline was limited by substantial drop in exploration cost as Kekra-1 dry well cost was booked in the same period last year.
- Net Revenues declined by 30% YoY to PKR 31.37bn during 4QFY20, likely on the back of lower oil prices and oil/gas production.
- Operating costs dropped by 8% YoY to PKR 9.71bn during 4QFY20 as against PKR 10.58bn in the same period last year.
- Exploration expense plummeted by 92% YoY to PKR 0.97bn during 4QFY20 compared to PKR 12.41bn in the corresponding period last year likely owing only one dry well cost booked during the quarter against Kekra-1 dry well cost booked in similar period last year.
- Other income declined by 72% YoY to PKR 2.36bn during 4QFY20 likely in the absence of exchange gains.
- Effective tax rate stood at 30.9% during 4QFY20 as against 19.3% in the same period last year (3QFY20: 32.0%), bringing total effective tax rate for FY20 to 28.7% compared to 22.9% in the corresponding period last year.

Exhibit: Financial Highlights								
PKRmn	4QFY20	4QFY19	YoY	3QFY20	QoQ	FY20	FY19	YoY
Net Sales	31,365	44,689	-30%	40,818	-23%	157,593	163,890	-4%
Operating Expense	9,713	10,581	-8%	11,708	-17%	42,760	40,152	6%
Royalty & Other Levies	4,912	6,670	-26%	6,206	-21%	23,799	24,329	-2%
Gross Profit	16,740	27,437	-39%	22,904	-27%	91,034	99,408	-8%
Exploration Expense	972	12,413	-92%	2,020	-52%	14,734	24,858	-41%
Administrative Expense	908	734	24%	828	10%	3,073	2,240	37%
Other Income	2,358	8,357	-72%	1,641	44%	6,465	16,528	-61%
Other Charges	980	2,116	-54%	(165)	n/m	8,138	8,166	0%
EBIT	16,237	20,532	-21%	21,862	-26%	71,555	80,672	-11%
Finance Cost	282	242	17%	268	5%	1,070	741	44%
PBT	15,955	20,290	-21%	21,594	-26%	70,485	79,931	-12%
PAT	11,028	16,379	-33%	14,674	-25%	50,256	61,632	-18%
EPS (PKR)	4.05	6.02		5.39		18.47	22.65	
DPS (PKR)	1.00	2.00		-		1.00	2.00	

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