

Result announcement: 2qFY22

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Pioneer Cement Company Limited

Earnings: Pioneer Cement Company Limited (PIOC) announced its 2qFY22 financial results. As per the results, the company reported earnings of PKR 663mn (PKR 2.92/share) compared to last year PKR 646mn (PKR 2.8/share). Nevertheless, this brings 1HFY22 cumulative earnings to PKR1,143mn (PKR 5.0/share); up +88%y.

Dividends/Payouts: The Company did not announce any dividends along with the result.

Operating performance: During the period under review, the company recorded a +60%y (+39%q) net sales growth. The company's gross margins during the period increased by 5% on a yearly basis to 21%, however on a quarterly basis, the gross margin declined by 3%. Despite that, the company's EBIT increased to PKR1,642mn, almost double of last year PKR 821mn. Similarly on a quarterly basis, EBIT is up by +24%q. Financing cost increased to PKR 593mn, up by +45%y and +2%q. Effective tax charge clocked in at 37% compared to 35% last quarter.

Exhibit: Financial Highlights of Pioneer Cement Company Limited (PIOC)								
Latest result published for: 2q'22								
Period (PKRmn)	2q'22	1q'22	2021	4q'21	3q'21	2q'21	1q'21	2020
Net Sales	8,614	6,197	21,818	6,177	6,270	5,378	3,992	6,287
Gross Profit	1,777	1,463	4,118	1,430	1,550	832	307	(103)
Admin	32	36	128	34	34	31	29	109
S/m/d	29	28	119	17	34	33	35	253
EBIT	1,642	1,319	4,021	1,387	1,451	821	363	(363)
Finance cost	593	580	1,818	490	489	409	429	393
Taxation	386	259	229	214	275	235	26	(546)
Profit after tax	663	480	1,974	683	687	646	(40)	(210)
EPS	2.9	2.1	8.7	3.0	3.0	2.8	(0.2)	(0.9)
DPS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Source: Company accounts, IGI Research, PSX					No. of shares: (mn) 227.1			

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