

# JK Cement

Estimate change

TP change

Rating change



|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Bloomberg             | JKCE IN     |
| Equity Shares (m)     | 77          |
| M.Cap.(INRb)/(USDb)   | 336.2 / 4   |
| 52-Week Range (INR)   | 4896 / 3060 |
| 1, 6, 12 Rel. Per (%) | 0/-1/13     |
| 12M Avg Val (INR M)   | 657         |

## Financial Snapshot (INR b)

| Y/E MARCH         | FY25E  | FY26E | FY27E |
|-------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| Sales             | 116.9  | 131.1 | 147.6 |
| EBITDA            | 18.6   | 24.8  | 29.9  |
| Adj. PAT          | 6.2    | 9.8   | 13.3  |
| EBITDA Margin (%) | 15.9   | 18.9  | 20.3  |
| Adj. EPS (INR)    | 84.7   | 126.9 | 171.7 |
| EPS Gr. (%)       | (17.5) | 49.8  | 35.3  |
| BV/Sh. (INR)      | 762    | 859   | 1,001 |

## Ratios

|            |      |      |      |
|------------|------|------|------|
| Net D:E    | 0.8  | 0.8  | 0.6  |
| RoE (%)    | 11.1 | 15.7 | 18.5 |
| RoCE (%)   | 8.9  | 11.1 | 13.1 |
| Payout (%) | 26.7 | 23.6 | 17.5 |

## Valuations

|                |      |      |      |
|----------------|------|------|------|
| P/E (x)        | 51.5 | 34.4 | 25.4 |
| P/BV (x)       | 5.7  | 5.1  | 4.4  |
| EV/EBITDA(x)   | 20.0 | 15.0 | 12.3 |
| EV/ton (USD)   | 164  | 135  | 133  |
| Div. Yield (%) | 0.6  | 0.7  | 0.7  |
| FCF Yield (%)  | 0.1  | 1.1  | 3.1  |

## Shareholding Pattern (%)

| As On    | Sep-24 | Jun-24 | Sep-23 |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|
| Promoter | 45.7   | 45.7   | 45.8   |
| DII      | 22.5   | 22.1   | 24.3   |
| FII      | 17.5   | 17.7   | 14.4   |
| Others   | 14.3   | 14.5   | 15.5   |

FII includes depository receipts

**CMP: INR4,360**
**TP: INR5,000 (+15%)**
**Buy**

## Lower volume and higher costs lead to missed earnings

### Estimate gray cement volume growth between 6% and 7% YoY in FY25

- JK Cement (JKCE)'s 2QFY25 consolidated EBITDA was at INR2.8b (down 39% YoY) and ~22% below our estimates due to lower-than-estimated sales volume (6% miss) and higher-than-estimated opex/t (+5% vs. our estimate). Higher opex/t was partly due to: 1) higher branding expenses; 2) clinker purchases for its South plant due to the shutdown; and 3) higher maintenance costs. EBITDA/t declined 36% YoY to INR656 (est. INR787) and OPM contracted 6pp YoY to 11% (est. 14%). Adj. PAT declined 80% YoY to INR359m (60% miss).
- Management trimmed its gray cement volume guidance to ~6-7% YoY (vs. earlier estimate of ~10%). Cement demand has improved and the company expects volume growth YoY in Oct'24. The capacity expansion plan of 6mtpa is on track and expected to be commissioned in 2HFY26. Further, the company aims to realize cost savings of up to INR60/t in FY25E out of its cost-saving target of INR150-200/t in the next two years.
- We reduced EBITDA estimate 8% for FY25E and 5% for FY26E/FY27E (each) on lower volume growth and higher opex/t assumptions. We reiterate our BUY rating on the stock due to its steady expansion plans, better regional mix, and cost-saving initiatives. We value JKCE at 15x Sep'26E EV/EBITDA to arrive at our revised TP of INR5,000 (earlier INR5,270).

### Gray cement volume/realization down 3%/6% YoY

- JKCE's consolidated revenue/EBITDA/adj. PAT stood at INR25.6b/INR2.8b/INR359m (down 7%/39%/80% YoY and down 5%/22%/60% vs. our est.). Combined sales volume declined 5% YoY to 4.3mt. Blended realization declined 2% YoY (up 2% QoQ) at INR5,918/t. Gray cement volume declined 3% YoY to 3.8mt and realization declined 6% YoY to INR4,707. Other op. income/t stood at INR206 vs. INR198/INR216 in 2QFY24/1QFY25.
- Opex/t increased 4% YoY, led by a 29%/17%/13% increase in employee cost/other expenses/freight costs. Meanwhile, variable cost/t declined 9% YoY. EBITDA/t declined 36% YoY to INR656. Depreciation and interest costs increased 7% YoY (each). Other income grew 29% YoY.
- In 1HFY25, revenue/EBITDA/Adj. PAT declined 3%/12%/27% YoY. Sales volume was flat YoY, while realization declined 3%. EBITDA/t dipped 12% YoY to INR840. Based on our estimate, the implied revenue growth for 2HFY25 is ~5%, while EBITDA/PAT may decline ~8%/19% YoY. For 2HFY25, we estimate volume growth of ~10% YoY and EBITDA/t of INR1,005 vs. INR1,200 in 2HFY24.

### Highlights from the management commentary

- Gray cement realizations improved QoQ in 2QFY25, led by an improvement in the geographic and product mix and higher contribution from premium products.

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- Fuel consumption cost stood at INR1.65/kcal vs. INR1.94/INR1.62/kcal in 2QFY24/1QFY25. Fuel consumption cost increased QoQ due to inflation in the fuel cost of AFR.
- Capex is pegged at INR18-19b for FY25 and INR18b for FY26. Overall capex stood at INR7.5b in 1HFY25.

### Valuation & view

- JKCE's profitability was adversely impacted during the quarter due to the demand slowdown, prolonged kiln shutdown at the South plant, and weak cement prices. However, it has shown QoQ improvement in realization, supported by a better regional and product mix. We are structurally positive on the company given its increasing scale of operation, better execution strategy, and cost reduction initiatives.
- We estimate its revenue/EBITDA/PAT CAGR at 9%/13%/18% over FY24-27, driven by a 9% CAGR in sales volume and improvement in EBITDA/t. The stock trades at 15x/12x FY26E/FY27E EV/EBITDA. We value the stock at 15x Sep'26E EV/EBITDA to arrive at our revised TP of INR5,000 (earlier INR5,270). **Reiterate BUY.**

### Consolidate quarterly performance

| Y/E March                    |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | (INR b)      |              |             |       |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------|
|                              | FY24        |             |             |             | FY25        |             |             |             | FY24         | FY25E        | FY25        | Var.  |
|                              | 1Q          | 2Q          | 3Q          | 4Q          | 1Q          | 2Q          | 3QE         | 4QE         |              |              | 2QE         | (%)   |
| Sales Dispatches (mt)        | 4.6         | 4.5         | 4.7         | 5.2         | 4.8         | 4.3         | 5.0         | 5.8         | 19.07        | 20.01        | 4.6         | (6)   |
| YoY Change (%)               | 25.4        | 24.5        | 13.5        | 11.3        | 4.6         | (4.6)       | 7.3         | 11.5        | 17.5         | 4.9          | 1.6         |       |
| Realization (INR/t)          | 5,968       | 6,068       | 6,238       | 5,974       | 5,801       | 5,918       | 5,946       | 5,730       | 6,060        | 5,842        | 5,821       | 2     |
| YoY Change (%)               | (2.9)       | (1.1)       | 6.1         | 0.5         | (2.8)       | (2.5)       | (4.7)       | (4.1)       | 1.2          | (3.6)        | (4.1)       |       |
| QoQ Change (%)               | 0.4         | 1.7         | 2.8         | (4.2)       | (2.9)       | 2.0         | 0.5         | (3.6)       |              |              | 0.5         |       |
| <b>Net Sales</b>             | <b>27.6</b> | <b>27.5</b> | <b>29.3</b> | <b>31.1</b> | <b>28.1</b> | <b>25.6</b> | <b>30.0</b> | <b>33.2</b> | <b>115.6</b> | <b>116.9</b> | <b>26.8</b> | (5)   |
| YoY Change (%)               | 21.7        | 23.1        | 20.5        | 11.8        | 1.6         | (7.0)       | 2.3         | 7.0         | 18.9         | 1.2          | (2.6)       |       |
| Total Expenditure            | 23.5        | 22.9        | 23.1        | 25.5        | 23.2        | 22.8        | 25.1        | 27.3        | 95.0         | 98.3         | 23.2        | (2)   |
| <b>EBITDA</b>                | <b>4.1</b>  | <b>4.7</b>  | <b>6.3</b>  | <b>5.6</b>  | <b>4.9</b>  | <b>2.8</b>  | <b>4.9</b>  | <b>6.0</b>  | <b>20.6</b>  | <b>18.6</b>  | <b>3.6</b>  | (22)  |
| YoY Change (%)               | 1.0         | 48.8        | 152.7       | 60.2        | 19.2        | -39.2       | -21.1       | 6.6         | 56.7         | -9.7         | -22.4       |       |
| Margin (%)                   | 14.8        | 17.0        | 21.3        | 18.0        | 17.3        | 11.1        | 16.4        | 18.0        | 17.8         | 15.9         | 13.5        | (243) |
| Depreciation                 | 1.3         | 1.4         | 1.4         | 1.5         | 1.5         | 1.5         | 1.5         | 1.4         | 5.7          | 5.8          | 1.5         | (2)   |
| Interest                     | 1.1         | 1.2         | 1.1         | 1.1         | 1.1         | 1.2         | 1.2         | 1.3         | 4.5          | 4.8          | 1.2         | 3     |
| Other Income                 | 0.3         | 0.3         | 0.4         | 0.5         | 0.4         | 0.4         | 0.5         | 0.5         | 1.5          | 1.8          | 0.4         | (10)  |
| <b>PBT before EO expense</b> | <b>2.0</b>  | <b>2.4</b>  | <b>4.1</b>  | <b>3.4</b>  | <b>2.7</b>  | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>2.7</b>  | <b>3.8</b>  | <b>11.9</b>  | <b>9.7</b>   | <b>1.4</b>  | (61)  |
| Extra-Ord. expense           | 0.2         | -           | -           | (0.1)       | -           | (1.0)       | -           | -           | 0.1          | (1.0)        | -           |       |
| <b>PBT</b>                   | <b>1.8</b>  | <b>2.4</b>  | <b>4.1</b>  | <b>3.5</b>  | <b>2.7</b>  | <b>1.6</b>  | <b>2.7</b>  | <b>3.8</b>  | <b>11.8</b>  | <b>10.7</b>  | <b>1.4</b>  | 14    |
| Tax                          | 0.7         | 0.7         | 1.3         | 1.3         | 0.9         | 0.2         | 0.9         | 1.5         | 3.9          | 3.5          | 0.5         |       |
| Profit from associate and MI | (0.0)       | (0.0)       | (0.0)       | (0.0)       | (0.0)       | 0.1         | -           | -           | (0.0)        | 0.1          | -           |       |
| Rate (%)                     | 37.2        | 26.9        | 30.6        | 36.7        | 32.3        | 12.2        | 33.6        | 40.7        | 32.4         | 32.7         | 33.6        |       |
| <b>Reported PAT</b>          | <b>1.1</b>  | <b>1.8</b>  | <b>2.8</b>  | <b>2.2</b>  | <b>1.9</b>  | <b>1.3</b>  | <b>1.8</b>  | <b>2.2</b>  | <b>8.0</b>   | <b>7.1</b>   | <b>0.9</b>  | 39    |
| <b>Adj. PAT</b>              | <b>1.2</b>  | <b>1.8</b>  | <b>2.8</b>  | <b>2.1</b>  | <b>1.9</b>  | <b>0.4</b>  | <b>1.8</b>  | <b>2.2</b>  | <b>8.0</b>   | <b>6.2</b>   | <b>0.9</b>  | (60)  |
| YoY Change (%)               | (23.7)      | 59.8        | 628.0       | 90.3        | 49.3        | (80.0)      | (36.9)      | 4.6         | 87.9         | (22.1)       | (49.6)      |       |
| Margin (%)                   | 4.5         | 6.5         | 9.7         | 6.9         | 6.6         | 1.4         | 6.0         | 6.7         | 6.9          | 5.3          | 3.4         |       |

Source: Company, MOFSL estimates

## Consolidated quarterly performance

| Y/E March                       | FY24         |              |              |              | FY25         |              |              |              | FY24         | FY25E        | FY25<br>2QE  | Var.<br>(%) |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
|                                 | 1Q           | 2Q           | 3Q           | 4Q           | 1Q           | 2Q           | 3QE          | 4QE          |              |              |              |             |
| Gray Cement (mt)                | 4.1          | 3.9          | 4.2          | 4.7          | 4.3          | 3.8          | 4.4          | 5.2          | 16.9         | 17.8         | 4.0          | (5)         |
| Growth (%)                      | 29.4         | 22.1         | 13.6         | 13.0         | 5.6          | (3.3)        | 7.1          | 11.4         | 18.9         | 5.5          | 1.4          |             |
| As a percentage of total volume | 88.7         | 86.7         | 88.2         | 89.9         | 89.5         | 87.9         | 88.1         | 89.9         | 88.4         | 88.9         | 86.5         |             |
| White Cement (mt)               | 0.5          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 2.2          | 2.2          | 0.6          | (15)        |
| Growth (%)                      | 1.2          | 19.2         | 13.1         | (1.9)        | (3.6)        | (13.1)       | 8.5          | 12.5         | 7.6          | 0.7          | 2.8          |             |
| As a percentage of total volume | 11.3         | 13.3         | 11.8         | 10.1         | 10.5         | 12.1         | 11.9         | 10.1         | 11.6         | 11.1         | 13.5         |             |
| <b>Per ton analysis (INR)</b>   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |             |
| <b>Net realization</b>          | <b>5,968</b> | <b>6,068</b> | <b>6,238</b> | <b>5,974</b> | <b>5,801</b> | <b>5,918</b> | <b>5,946</b> | <b>5,730</b> | <b>6,060</b> | <b>5,842</b> | <b>5,821</b> | 2           |
| RM Cost                         | 1,003        | 1,010        | 818          | 1,014        | 990          | 1,044        | 910          | 961          | 962          | 973          | 960          | 9           |
| Employee Expenses               | 397          | 403          | 423          | 420          | 452          | 519          | 449          | 410          | 411          | 454          | 484          | 7           |
| Power, Oil, and Fuel            | 1,493        | 1,396        | 1,383        | 1,184        | 1,177        | 1,139        | 1,250        | 1,083        | 1,358        | 1,160        | 1,230        | (7)         |
| Freight and handling            | 1,262        | 1,182        | 1,307        | 1,310        | 1,280        | 1,330        | 1,310        | 1,283        | 1,267        | 1,299        | 1,310        | 2           |
| Other Expenses                  | 932          | 1,048        | 979          | 970          | 898          | 1,229        | 1,050        | 963          | 981          | 1,027        | 1,050        | 17          |
| <b>Total Exp.</b>               | <b>5,087</b> | <b>5,039</b> | <b>4,909</b> | <b>4,897</b> | <b>4,797</b> | <b>5,261</b> | <b>4,969</b> | <b>4,701</b> | <b>4,980</b> | <b>4,913</b> | <b>5,034</b> | 5           |
| <b>EBITDA</b>                   | <b>881</b>   | <b>1,029</b> | <b>1,329</b> | <b>1,077</b> | <b>1,005</b> | <b>656</b>   | <b>977</b>   | <b>1,029</b> | <b>1,080</b> | <b>930</b>   | <b>787</b>   | (17)        |

Source: Company, MOFSL estimates



## Highlights from the management commentary

### Demand, pricing, and operational highlights

- The company's volume was impacted due to excessive rainfall and prolonged kiln shutdown at its South plant. While in Central India, the demand was resilient compared to the North and South regions.
- It has trimmed its gray cement volume growth guidance to 6-7% YoY (vs. earlier guidance of ~10%) for the entire FY25. Cement demand has improved in Oct'24 and despite a higher base, the company expects growth on a YoY basis in Oct'24.
- Gray cement realizations improved QoQ in 2QFY25, led by an improvement in the geographic and product mix and higher contribution from premium products. Further, gray cement prices in Oct'24 are marginally better vs. 2QFY25 avg. price. Incentive income stood at INR580m in 2QFY25 vs. ~INR 690m in 1QFY25.
- Green energy usage/thermal substitution rate stood at 49%/13% YTD FY25 vs. 51%/16.3% in FY24.
- Fuel consumption cost stood at INR1.65/kcal vs. INR1.94/INR1.62/kcal in 2QFY24/1QFY25. Fuel consumption cost increased QoQ due to inflation in the fuel cost of AFR. However, with the recent softening in crude oil prices, it plans to renegotiate the deal with AFR vendors and expects to save a total of INR100/t in 2HFY25.
- Blended cement sales stood at 70% vs. 67% in 1QFY25. Trade sales stood at 65% vs. 63% in Q1FY25. Premium product sales as a % of trade sales stood at 14% vs. 13% in 1QFY25. Lead distance was at 419km vs. 418km/415km YoY/QoQ.
- There was an incremental one-time expenditure of INR400-450m, which also included clinker purchases up to INR100-120m for its South region plant due to the prolonged shutdown. The shutdown was planned for a period of 45 days for modification of the kiln, which would help produce extra clinker. However, the shutdown period was extended to 70 days due to excessive rainfall in the area.
- It maintains its cost reduction targets of INR150-200/t over FY25/FY26. In FY25, it aims to realize ~INR60/t of the targeted cost savings in areas of: 1) logistics (~INR 40-50/t) and 2) higher usage of green power and AFR (~INR 10-20/t).
- Fuel mix for Q2FY25 stood at 75% of pet coke (68% in Q1FY25) and the balance 25% being a mix of imported coal, domestic coal, and AFR. The company expects material cost savings from its recently won coal blocks in Madhya Pradesh. The fuel cost of captive coal mine is ~INR 1.0/kcal vs. INR 1.5-1.6/kcal of imported pet coke or linkage coal.

### Capacity expansion and Capex update

- 3.3mtpa gray clinker expansion at Panna (line II) and 3.0mtpa cement capacity expansion at Panna, Hamirpur, and Prayagraj are progressing according to the schedule. The order for main machinery and civil and mechanical contractors has been finalized. Capex stood at INR4.45b YTD FY25. It also completed the land acquisition for a split grinding unit in Bihar and placed an order for the main plant and machinery. Capex stood at INR330m YTD FY25. The projects are estimated to be commissioned by 3QFY26-end or in 4QFY26.
- Capex is pegged at INR18-19b for FY25 and INR18b for FY26. Overall capex stood at INR7.5b in 1HFY25.

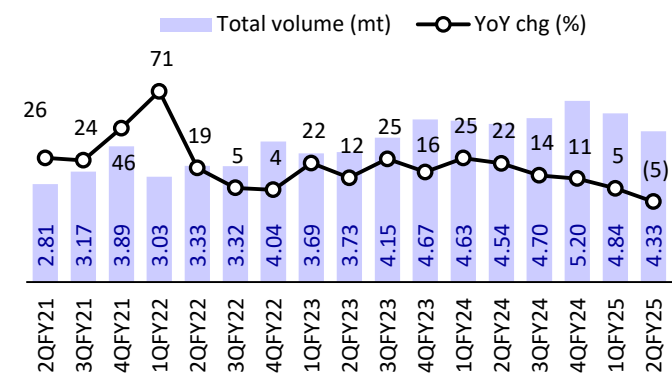
- The company is pursuing a long-term limestone mining lease agreement with the Odisha state government for Toshali Cements. It is currently in discussion with a new state government for the same.

#### Other highlights

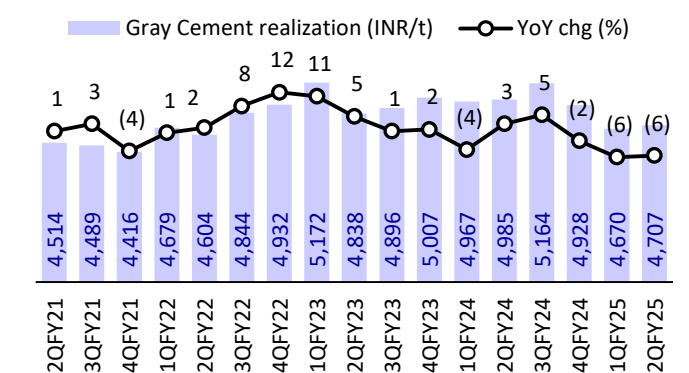
- Revenue for the paints business stood at INR530m vs. INR570m in 1QFY25. The company is on track to meet revenue guidance of INR 2.5-3b in FY25, INR4-4.5b in FY26, and ~INR6b in FY27. The segment reported EBITDA loss of ~INR 150m in Q2FY25 vs ~INR 100m in Q1FY25. For FY25, it estimates EBITDA loss of ~INR 400m.
- Putty volume growth of ~5% is expected in FY25 for the company vs. 8-9% for the industry. The dip in putty realizations is due to high competitive intensity. The company expects white cement margins to continue to remain under pressure. The market shares of different players in the putty business are: ~30% with Asian Paints, ~24% with Birla White, and ~22% for JK Cement's *Wallmaxx*.
- It has reiterated its capex commitment toward the paints business at INR6b (including branding expenditure).

## Key exhibits

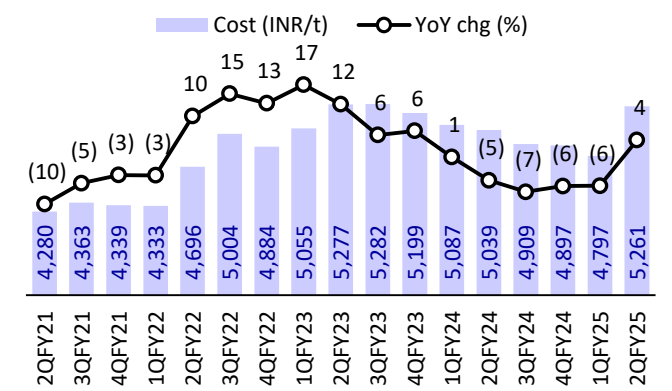
**Exhibit 1: Total sales volumes (consol.) declined 5% YoY**



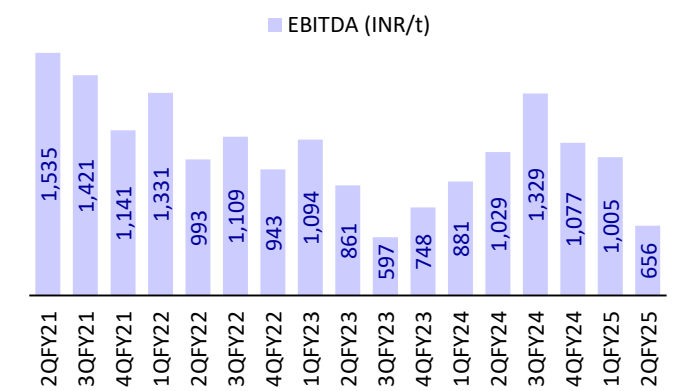
**Exhibit 2: Gray cement realization declined 6% YoY**



**Exhibit 3: Opex/t increased 4% YoY**



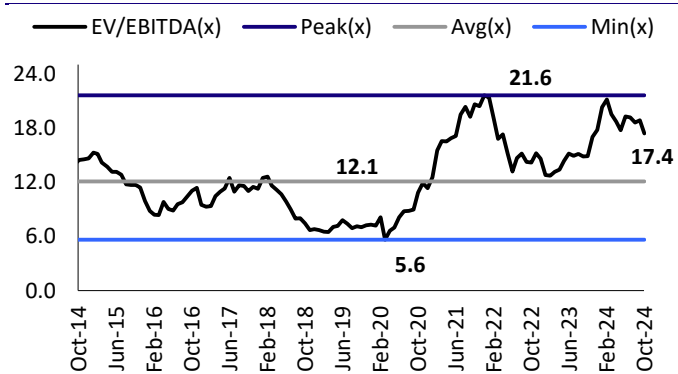
**Exhibit 4: EBITDA/t declined 36%/35% YoY/QoQ**



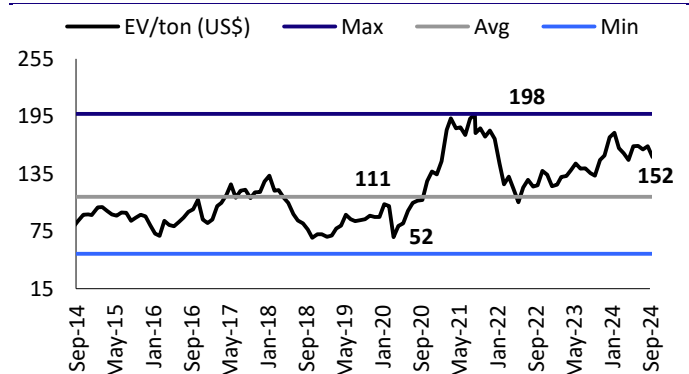
**Exhibit 5: Key operating metrics – consolidated (blended)**

| INR/t                      | 2QFY25       | 2QFY24       | YoY (%)     | 1QFY25       | QoQ(%)      |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| <b>Blended realization</b> | <b>5,918</b> | <b>6,068</b> | <b>(2)</b>  | <b>5,801</b> | <b>2</b>    |
| Gray Cement realization    | 4,707        | 4,985        | (6)         | 4,670        | 1           |
| White Cement realization   | 12,992       | 12,568       | 3           | 13,421       | (3)         |
| Raw Material Cost          | 1,044        | 1,010        | 3           | 990          | 5           |
| Staff Cost                 | 519          | 403          | 29          | 452          | 15          |
| Power and fuel             | 1,139        | 1,396        | (18)        | 1,177        | (3)         |
| Freight and selling Exp.   | 1,330        | 1,182        | 13          | 1,280        | 4           |
| Other Exp.                 | 1,229        | 1,048        | 17          | 898          | 37          |
| <b>Total Exp.</b>          | <b>5,261</b> | <b>5,039</b> | <b>4</b>    | <b>4,797</b> | <b>10</b>   |
| <b>EBITDA</b>              | <b>656</b>   | <b>1,029</b> | <b>(36)</b> | <b>1,005</b> | <b>(35)</b> |

Source: Company, MOFSL

**Exhibit 6: One-year forward EV/EBITDA trend**

Source: Company, MOFSL

**Exhibit 7: One-year forward EV/t trend**

Source: Company, MOFSL

## Consolidated financials and valuations

| Income Statement             |               |               |               |               |                 | (INR m)         |                 |                 |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Y/E March                    | FY20          | FY21          | FY22          | FY23          | FY24            | FY25E           | FY26E           | FY27E           |
| <b>Net Sales</b>             | <b>58,016</b> | <b>66,061</b> | <b>79,908</b> | <b>97,202</b> | <b>1,15,560</b> | <b>1,16,913</b> | <b>1,31,066</b> | <b>1,47,642</b> |
| Change (%)                   | 10.3          | 13.9          | 21.0          | 21.6          | 18.9            | 1.2             | 12.1            | 12.6            |
| <b>EBITDA</b>                | <b>12,134</b> | <b>15,387</b> | <b>14,824</b> | <b>13,143</b> | <b>20,598</b>   | <b>18,603</b>   | <b>24,805</b>   | <b>29,908</b>   |
| Margin (%)                   | 20.9          | 23.3          | 18.6          | 13.5          | 17.8            | 15.9            | 18.9            | 20.3            |
| Depreciation                 | 2,880         | 3,062         | 3,425         | 4,582         | 5,726           | 5,841           | 7,026           | 7,184           |
| <b>EBIT</b>                  | <b>9,255</b>  | <b>12,325</b> | <b>11,399</b> | <b>8,561</b>  | <b>14,872</b>   | <b>12,762</b>   | <b>17,779</b>   | <b>22,724</b>   |
| Int. and Finance Charges     | 2,764         | 2,528         | 2,697         | 3,122         | 4,531           | 4,805           | 5,007           | 4,962           |
| Other Income – Rec.          | 853           | 1,130         | 1,429         | 874           | 1,451           | 1,768           | 1,798           | 1,954           |
| <b>PBT bef. EO Exp.</b>      | <b>7,344</b>  | <b>10,927</b> | <b>10,131</b> | <b>6,313</b>  | <b>11,791</b>   | <b>9,726</b>    | <b>14,570</b>   | <b>19,715</b>   |
| EO Expense/(Income)          | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0             | 55              | -1,024          | 0               | 0               |
| <b>PBT after EO Exp.</b>     | <b>7,344</b>  | <b>10,927</b> | <b>10,131</b> | <b>6,313</b>  | <b>11,736</b>   | <b>10,750</b>   | <b>14,570</b>   | <b>19,715</b>   |
| Current Tax                  | 1,593         | 3,296         | 2,429         | 1,424         | 1,487           | 3,514           | 4,763           | 6,445           |
| Deferred Tax                 | 917           | 600           | 908           | 698           | 2,350           | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| Tax Rate (%)                 | 34.2          | 35.7          | 32.9          | 33.6          | 32.7            | 32.7            | 32.7            | 32.7            |
| <b>Reported PAT</b>          | <b>4,834</b>  | <b>7,031</b>  | <b>6,794</b>  | <b>4,191</b>  | <b>7,899</b>    | <b>7,235</b>    | <b>9,807</b>    | <b>13,270</b>   |
| <b>PAT adj. for EO items</b> | <b>4,834</b>  | <b>7,031</b>  | <b>6,794</b>  | <b>4,191</b>  | <b>7,936</b>    | <b>6,546</b>    | <b>9,807</b>    | <b>13,270</b>   |
| Change (%)                   | 83.4          | 45.5          | -3.4          | -38.3         | 89.4            | -17.5           | 49.8            | 35.3            |
| Margin (%)                   | 8.3           | 10.6          | 8.5           | 4.3           | 6.9             | 5.6             | 7.5             | 9.0             |
| Less: Minority Interest      | -90.0         | -66.2         | -77.0         | -72.5         | -24.1           | 98.3            | 0.0             | 0.0             |
| <b>Net Profit</b>            | <b>4,924</b>  | <b>7,317</b>  | <b>6,871</b>  | <b>4,263</b>  | <b>8,013</b>    | <b>6,238</b>    | <b>9,807</b>    | <b>13,270</b>   |

| Balance Sheet                        |               |               |               |                 |                 | (INR m)         |                 |                 |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Y/E March                            | FY20          | FY21          | FY22          | FY23            | FY24            | FY25E           | FY26E           | FY27E           |
| Equity Share Capital                 | 773           | 773           | 773           | 773             | 773             | 773             | 773             | 773             |
| Total Reserves                       | 29,504        | 36,595        | 42,476        | 46,095          | 52,899          | 58,104          | 65,593          | 76,545          |
| <b>Net Worth</b>                     | <b>30,277</b> | <b>37,367</b> | <b>43,249</b> | <b>46,868</b>   | <b>53,671</b>   | <b>58,877</b>   | <b>66,366</b>   | <b>77,317</b>   |
| Deferred Liabilities                 | 4,173         | 5,930         | 7,383         | 8,094           | 10,756          | 10,756          | 10,756          | 10,756          |
| Minority Interest                    | -203          | -257          | -343          | -444            | -455            | -357            | -357            | -357            |
| Total Loans                          | 32,840        | 34,017        | 38,549        | 49,951          | 52,385          | 54,385          | 56,885          | 53,385          |
| <b>Capital Employed</b>              | <b>67,086</b> | <b>77,057</b> | <b>88,838</b> | <b>1,04,469</b> | <b>1,16,358</b> | <b>1,23,661</b> | <b>1,33,650</b> | <b>1,41,102</b> |
| Gross Block                          | 75,780        | 82,126        | 91,614        | 1,12,857        | 1,29,469        | 1,41,108        | 1,56,108        | 1,69,108        |
| Less: Accum. Deprn.                  | 20,235        | 22,752        | 26,177        | 30,759          | 36,486          | 42,326          | 49,352          | 56,536          |
| <b>Net Fixed Assets</b>              | <b>55,545</b> | <b>59,374</b> | <b>65,437</b> | <b>82,097</b>   | <b>92,983</b>   | <b>98,782</b>   | <b>1,06,756</b> | <b>1,12,572</b> |
| Capital WIP                          | 5,295         | 5,093         | 10,321        | 5,920           | 4,639           | 12,000          | 15,000          | 17,000          |
| <b>Total Investments</b>             | <b>458</b>    | <b>1,422</b>  | <b>2,157</b>  | <b>923</b>      | <b>3,683</b>    | <b>3,683</b>    | <b>3,683</b>    | <b>3,683</b>    |
| <b>Curr. Assets, Loans, and Adv.</b> | <b>24,122</b> | <b>32,831</b> | <b>36,115</b> | <b>41,552</b>   | <b>46,716</b>   | <b>40,780</b>   | <b>40,918</b>   | <b>42,134</b>   |
| Inventory                            | 6,904         | 7,566         | 12,087        | 9,821           | 11,816          | 10,736          | 11,945          | 13,365          |
| Account Receivables                  | 2,677         | 3,615         | 4,268         | 4,801           | 5,663           | 5,675           | 6,282           | 6,972           |
| Cash and Bank Balance                | 9,649         | 16,416        | 10,793        | 15,874          | 8,665           | 4,098           | 2,819           | 2,326           |
| Loans and Advances                   | 4,892         | 5,233         | 8,967         | 11,056          | 20,572          | 20,272          | 19,872          | 19,472          |
| <b>Curr. Liability and Prov.</b>     | <b>18,334</b> | <b>21,663</b> | <b>25,192</b> | <b>26,024</b>   | <b>31,663</b>   | <b>31,584</b>   | <b>32,706</b>   | <b>34,287</b>   |
| Account Payables                     | 16,725        | 20,276        | 23,803        | 24,512          | 29,955          | 29,860          | 30,967          | 32,532          |
| Provisions                           | 1,609         | 1,388         | 1,389         | 1,511           | 1,709           | 1,725           | 1,739           | 1,755           |
| <b>Net Current Assets</b>            | <b>5,788</b>  | <b>11,167</b> | <b>10,923</b> | <b>15,528</b>   | <b>15,053</b>   | <b>9,197</b>    | <b>8,211</b>    | <b>7,847</b>    |
| <b>Appl. of Funds</b>                | <b>67,086</b> | <b>77,057</b> | <b>88,838</b> | <b>1,04,469</b> | <b>1,16,358</b> | <b>1,23,661</b> | <b>1,33,650</b> | <b>1,41,102</b> |

Source: Company, MOFSL estimates

## Consolidated financials and valuations

### Ratios

| Y/E March                       | FY20        | FY21        | FY22        | FY23        | FY24         | FY25E       | FY26E        | FY27E        |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Basic (INR)*</b>             |             |             |             |             |              |             |              |              |
| <b>Consol. EPS</b>              | <b>62.6</b> | <b>91.0</b> | <b>87.9</b> | <b>54.2</b> | <b>102.7</b> | <b>84.7</b> | <b>126.9</b> | <b>171.7</b> |
| Cash EPS                        | 99.8        | 130.6       | 132.3       | 113.5       | 176.8        | 160.3       | 217.8        | 264.7        |
| BV/Share                        | 391.8       | 483.6       | 559.7       | 606.6       | 694.6        | 762.0       | 858.9        | 1,000.6      |
| DPS                             | 17.5        | 15.0        | 15.0        | 15.0        | 20.0         | 25.0        | 30.0         | 30.0         |
| Payout (%)                      | 33.7        | 16.5        | 17.1        | 27.7        | 19.6         | 26.7        | 23.6         | 17.5         |
| <b>Valuation (x)*</b>           |             |             |             |             |              |             |              |              |
| P/E                             | 69.7        | 47.9        | 49.6        | 80.4        | 42.5         | 51.5        | 34.4         | 25.4         |
| Cash P/E                        | 43.7        | 33.4        | 33.0        | 38.4        | 24.7         | 27.2        | 20.0         | 16.5         |
| P/BV                            | 11.1        | 9.0         | 7.8         | 7.2         | 6.3          | 5.7         | 5.1          | 4.4          |
| EV/Sales                        | 6.1         | 5.3         | 4.4         | 3.7         | 3.2          | 3.2         | 2.9          | 2.5          |
| EV/EBITDA                       | 29.2        | 22.6        | 23.8        | 27.7        | 18.1         | 20.0        | 15.0         | 12.3         |
| EV/t (USD)                      | 264         | 244         | 242         | 186         | 178          | 164         | 135          | 133          |
| Dividend Yield (%)              | 0.4         | 0.3         | 0.3         | 0.3         | 0.5          | 0.6         | 0.7          | 0.7          |
| <b>Return Ratios (%)</b>        |             |             |             |             |              |             |              |              |
| RoIC                            | 13.0        | 15.0        | 12.8        | 7.7         | 11.1         | 8.5         | 11.1         | 13.3         |
| RoE                             | 17.2        | 21.6        | 17.0        | 9.5         | 15.9         | 11.1        | 15.7         | 18.5         |
| RoCE                            | 11.4        | 12.9        | 11.2        | 7.0         | 10.8         | 8.9         | 11.1         | 13.1         |
| <b>Working Capital Ratios</b>   |             |             |             |             |              |             |              |              |
| Asset Turnover (x)              | 0.9         | 0.9         | 0.9         | 0.9         | 1.0          | 0.9         | 1.0          | 1.0          |
| Inventory (Days)                | 43.4        | 41.8        | 55.2        | 36.9        | 37.3         | 33.5        | 33.3         | 33.0         |
| Debtor (Days)                   | 17          | 20          | 19          | 18          | 18           | 18          | 17           | 17           |
| Creditor (Days)                 | 105         | 112         | 109         | 92          | 95           | 93          | 86           | 80           |
| Working Capital Turnover (Days) | -24         | -29         | 1           | -1          | 20           | 16          | 15           | 14           |
| <b>Leverage Ratio (x)</b>       |             |             |             |             |              |             |              |              |
| Current Ratio                   | 1.3         | 1.5         | 1.4         | 1.6         | 1.5          | 1.3         | 1.3          | 1.2          |
| Debt/Equity ratio               | 1.1         | 0.9         | 0.9         | 1.1         | 1.0          | 0.9         | 0.9          | 0.7          |

### Cash Flow Statement

(INR m)

| Y/E March                          | FY20          | FY21          | FY22           | FY23           | FY24           | FY25E          | FY26E          | FY27E          |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| OP/(Loss) before Tax               | 7,344         | 10,927        | 10,131         | 6,276          | 11,736         | 9,726          | 14,570         | 19,715         |
| Depreciation                       | 2,880         | 3,062         | 3,425          | 4,619          | 5,726          | 5,841          | 7,026          | 7,184          |
| Interest and Finance Charges       | 1,975         | 1,666         | 2,697          | 3,019          | 4,435          | 4,805          | 5,007          | 4,962          |
| Direct Taxes Paid                  | -1,530        | -1,959        | -2,429         | -1,622         | -1,542         | -3,514         | -4,763         | -6,445         |
| (Inc.)/Dec. in WC                  | 2,819         | 1,715         | -5,379         | 2,276          | -6,732         | 1,288          | -294           | -129           |
| <b>CF from Operations</b>          | <b>13,488</b> | <b>15,411</b> | <b>8,445</b>   | <b>14,568</b>  | <b>13,624</b>  | <b>18,145</b>  | <b>21,545</b>  | <b>25,287</b>  |
| Others                             | 179           | 490           | (967)          | (797)          | 5,967          | 1,024          | -              | -              |
| <b>CF from Operations incl. EO</b> | <b>13,668</b> | <b>15,901</b> | <b>7,478</b>   | <b>13,771</b>  | <b>19,591</b>  | <b>19,169</b>  | <b>21,545</b>  | <b>25,287</b>  |
| (Inc.)/Dec. in FA                  | -12,428       | -7,678        | -14,716        | -16,115        | -11,726        | -19,000        | -18,000        | -15,000        |
| <b>Free Cash Flow</b>              | <b>1,240</b>  | <b>8,223</b>  | <b>-7,238</b>  | <b>-2,344</b>  | <b>7,865</b>   | <b>169</b>     | <b>3,545</b>   | <b>10,287</b>  |
| (Pur.)/Sale of Investments         | -2,622        | -11,747       | -734           | -2,021         | -5,634         | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Others                             | 6,998         | 11,665        | 2,232          | -2,012         | 1,002          | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| <b>CF from Investments</b>         | <b>-8,052</b> | <b>-7,760</b> | <b>-13,218</b> | <b>-20,148</b> | <b>-16,358</b> | <b>-19,000</b> | <b>-18,000</b> | <b>-15,000</b> |
| Issue of Shares                    | 0             | 0             | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Inc./(Dec.) in Debt                | 3,133         | 1,120         | 4,532          | 11,560         | 1,431          | 2,000          | 2,500          | -3,500         |
| Interest Paid                      | -2,507        | -2,427        | -2,697         | -2,841         | -4,324         | -4,805         | -5,007         | -4,962         |
| Dividend Paid                      | -1,630        | 0             | -1,159         | -1,159         | -1,158         | -1,932         | -2,318         | -2,318         |
| Others                             | -77           | -68           | -559           | -147           | -106           | 0              | 1              | 0              |
| <b>CF from Fin. Activity</b>       | <b>-1,081</b> | <b>-1,375</b> | <b>117</b>     | <b>7,413</b>   | <b>-4,157</b>  | <b>-4,736</b>  | <b>-4,824</b>  | <b>-10,780</b> |
| <b>Inc./Dec. in Cash</b>           | <b>4,534</b>  | <b>6,767</b>  | <b>-5,623</b>  | <b>1,036</b>   | <b>-924</b>    | <b>-4,568</b>  | <b>-1,279</b>  | <b>-493</b>    |
| Opening Balance                    | 5,116         | 9,650         | 16,416         | 14,838         | 9,590          | 8,665          | 4,098          | 2,819          |
| <b>Closing Balance</b>             | <b>9,650</b>  | <b>16,416</b> | <b>10,793</b>  | <b>15,874</b>  | <b>8,665</b>   | <b>4,098</b>   | <b>2,819</b>   | <b>2,326</b>   |

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