

The Ramco Cements

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TP change	↔
Rating change	↔

Bloomberg	TRCL IN
Equity Shares (m)	236
M.Cap.(INRb)/(USDb)	243.3 / 2.7
52-Week Range (INR)	1209 / 788
1, 6, 12 Rel. Per (%)	1/4/11
12M Avg Val (INR M)	557

Financial Snapshot (INR b)

Y/E Mar	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Sales	92.1	100.5	109.5
EBITDA	16.4	19.9	23.4
Adj. PAT	3.8	5.8	8.2
EBITDA Margin (%)	17.8	19.8	21.4
Adj. EPS (INR)	16.0	24.6	34.6
EPS Gr. (%)	309.6	53.6	40.3
BV/Sh. (INR)	329	349	383

Ratios

Net D:E	0.5	0.5	0.4
RoE (%)	5.0	7.3	9.4
RoCE (%)	5.7	7.2	8.7
Payout (%)	24.9	0.0	0.0

Valuations

P/E (x)	64.1	41.8	29.8
P/BV (x)	3.1	2.9	2.7
EV/EBITDA(x)	16.7	13.9	11.6
EV/ton (USD)	128	110	108
Div. Yield (%)	0.4	0.0	0.0
FCF Yield (%)	3.3	1.9	4.0

Shareholding pattern (%)

As On	Sep-25	Jun-25	Sep-24
Promoter	42.6	42.6	42.3
DII	31.9	31.2	34.3
FII	8.2	8.4	6.6
Others	17.4	17.8	16.9

FII Includes depository receipts

CMP: INR1,030 TP: INR1,060 (+3%) Neutral

Higher volume drives EBITDA beat

Reiterates capacity target of 30mtpa by Mar'26

- The Ramco Cements' (TRCL) 2QFY26 EBITDA grew 24% YoY to INR3.9b (12% beat), led by higher-than-estimated volume (5% beat) and lower-than-estimated opex/t. EBITDA/t rose 22% YoY (down 12% QoQ) to INR851 (6% beat). Adj PAT surged 191% YoY to INR743m (55% beat), albeit on a low base.
- Management indicated that muted volume growth was due to early monsoons, excess rainfall, and run-up to GST 2.0. The construction chemicals business, however, registered strong performance, with sales volume up ~72% YoY on a low base. TRCL has reiterated its target to reach 30mtpa cement capacity by Mar'26 through the commissioning of the line II at Kolimigundla and debottlenecking/grinding capacity additions at existing sites with minimal capex. It has monetized non-core assets worth INR5b out of the targeted value of INR10b. The balance is yet to be monetized, subject to necessary approvals.
- We maintain our EBITDA estimates for FY26-28. The stock is currently trading at 14x/12x FY27E/FY28E EV/EBITDA. We value the stock at 13x Sep'27E EV/EBITDA to arrive at our TP of INR1,060. **Reiterate Neutral.**

Overall volume increased ~1% YoY; realization/t up 8% YoY

- Revenue/EBITDA/adj. PAT stood at INR22.3b/INR3.9b/INR743m (+10%/+24%/+191% YoY and +6%/+12%/+55% vs. estimates) in 2Q. Sales volume inched up ~1% YoY to 4.5mt (~5% beat). Realization/t was up 8% YoY/down ~2% QoQ at INR4,914/t (in line).
- Opex/t was up 6% YoY (1% below our estimate), led by 5%/14%/3% increase in variable cost/other expenses/freight cost. OPM surged 2pp YoY to ~17% (vs. estimate of ~16%), and EBITDA/t increased ~22% YoY to INR851.
- Depreciation increased ~8% YoY, while interest cost declined 7% YoY. Other income declined ~38% YoY. ETR stood at 25.9% vs. 26.9% in 2QFY25.
- In 1HFY26, revenue/EBITDA/adj. PAT stood at INR43.1b/INR7.8b/INR1.6b (up ~4%/24%/162% YoY). OPM surged 2.9pp YoY to ~18.2%. OCF stood at INR6.5b vs. INR4.4b in 1HFY25. Capex stood at INR6b vs. INR5.4b. Net cash inflow stood at INR451m vs. INR1b in 1HFY25.

Highlights from the management commentary

- The share of premium products was ~30% in 2QFY26 vs. ~27%/29% in 2QFY25/1QFY26 in the south region. In the east region, it was ~24% in 2QFY26 vs. ~23%/22% in 2QFY25/1QFY26. OPC share was ~35% of total volumes in 2QFY26 vs. 30%/31% in 2QFY25/1QFY26.
- Blended coal consumption cost was USD122/t (INR1.49/kcal) vs. USD130/USD126 (INR1.60/INR1.55 per kcal) in 2QFY25/1QFY26.
- In 2Q, TRCL incurred capex of INR2.8b, including maintenance capex. FY26 capex guidance is INR12b.

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View and valuation

- TRCL's operating performance was above our estimates due to higher-than-estimated volume and lower opex/t. We estimate a CAGR of ~9%/24% in revenue/EBITDA over FY25-28 and ~107% in PAT (on a low base). We believe that net debt peaked in FY25 at INR44.3b (net debt-to-EBITDA at 3.6). We estimate its net debt to decline to INR36.6b (net debt-to-EBITDA at 1.6x) by FY28.
- The stock is currently trading at 14x/12x FY26E/FY27E/FY28E EV/EBITDA (vs. its long-term average of 15x) and USD110/108 EV/t (vs. long-term average of USD130). We value the stock at 13x Sep'27E EV/EBITDA to arrive at our TP of INR1,060. **Reiterate Neutral.**

Quarterly Performance

Y/E March	FY25				FY26				FY25	FY26E	FY26 1QE	Var. (%)
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3QE	4QE				
Sales volume (m ton)	4.36	4.49	4.37	5.29	4.12	4.5	4.54	5.47	18.50	18.69	4.32	5
YoY Change (%)	1.3	(2.6)	9.3	(3.7)	(5.5)	1.3	4.0	3.5	0.5	1.0	(3.7)	
Realization (INR/ton)	4,792	4,539	4,523	4,522	5,027	4,914	4,864	4,915	4,592	4,927	4,897	0
YoY Change (%)	(8.1)	(10.2)	(14.1)	(7.1)	4.9	8.2	7.5	8.7	(9.6)	7.3	7.9	
QoQ Change (%)	(1.6)	(5.3)	(0.4)	(0.0)	11.2	(2.3)	(1.0)	1.0			(2.6)	
Net Sales	20.9	20.4	19.8	23.9	20.7	22.3	22.1	26.9	85.0	92.1	21.2	6
YoY Change (%)	(6.8)	(12.5)	(6.2)	(10.5)	(0.9)	9.6	11.8	12.5	(9.1)	8.4	3.9	
Total Expenditure	17.7	17.3	17.0	20.7	16.7	18.5	18.7	21.8	72.6	75.6	17.7	4
EBITDA	3.2	3.1	2.8	3.2	4.0	3.9	3.4	5.1	12.3	16.4	3.5	12
YoY Change (%)	(6.5)	(21.7)	(29.3)	(23.1)	(74.4)	21.1	10.0	84.0	(20.7)	33.3	8.4	
Margins (%)	15.3	15.3	14.1	13.4	19.2	17.3	15.5	19.1	14.5	17.8	16.4	96
Depreciation	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	6.9	7.4	1.8	(1)
Interest	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.0	4.6	4.3	1.1	4
Other Income	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.1	(40)
PBT before EO expense	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.4	1.2	1.0	0.6	2.3	1.3	5.1	0.7	51
Extra-Ord expense/(Income)	-	-	(3.3)	(0.1)	-	-	-	-	(3.4)	-	-	
PBT	0.5	0.3	3.3	0.5	1.2	1.0	0.6	2.3	4.7	5.1	0.7	51
Tax	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.5	1.3	0.2	
Prior year tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Rate (%)	26.3	26.9	2.4	37.1	26.2	25.9	26.0	26.0	10.4	26.0	28.0	
Reported PAT	0.4	0.3	3.3	0.3	0.9	0.7	0.5	1.7	4.2	3.8	0.5	55
Adj PAT	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.9	0.7	0.5	1.7	0.9	3.8	0.5	55
YoY Change (%)	(55.0)	(74.7)	(96.6)	(76.7)	142.3	190.5	1,321.7	514.2	(76.6)	309.6	87.2	
Margins (%)	1.7	1.3	0.2	1.2	4.2	3.3	2.0	6.4	1.1	4.1	2.3	

Per ton analysis (incl. Dry mortar)

	(INR/t)											
Net realization	4,792	4,539	4,523	4,522	5,027	4,914	4,864	4,915	4,592	4,927	4,897	0
RM Cost	835	894	933	1,038	871	1,093	1,040	1,054	931	1,020	1,070	2
Employee Expenses	314	303	301	234	345	318	317	264	285	308	332	(4)
Power, Oil & Fuel	1,300	1,121	1,060	1,030	1,221	1,029	1,120	1,092	1,123	1,112	1,130	(9)
Freight cost	1,064	1,018	1,066	1,068	1,038	1,045	1,035	1,021	1,055	1,034	1,018	3
Other Expenses	546	509	523	546	586	578	596	545	532	574	546	6
Total Expenses	4,059	3,844	3,884	3,916	4,061	4,063	4,108	3,976	3,926	4,048	4,096	(1)
EBITDA	733	695	639	607	966	851	755	939	666	879	801	6

Source: Company, MOFSL Estimates



Highlights from the management commentary

Capex and project update

- The company aims to reach a cement capacity of 30mtpa by Mar'26 through the commissioning of line II at Kolimigundla and undertaking debottlenecking and grinding capacity expansions at existing sites with minimal capex.
- TRCL has monetized INR5.0b out of its targeted INR10b from non-core assets. The balance is expected to be monetized soon, following necessary approvals.
- A WHRS plant of 10MW capacity at R R Nagar was commissioned during Sep'25. An additional 15 MW of WHRS at Kolimigundla, AP, is expected to be commissioned in tandem with Kiln line II in FY27.
- At Kolimigundla, AP, a railway siding has been commissioned in Jul'25. The construction chemicals capacity in Odisha was commissioned in Jul'25.
- The company has acquired ~57% of the mining land and ~13% of factory land for the proposed greenfield project in Karnataka.
- The total capex was INR2.8b in 2QFY26, and it is pegged at INR12.0b for FY26.

Capacity utilization and volume

- Cement capacity utilization stood at ~71% vs. ~75%/~68% in 2QFY25/1QFY26. Cement volume was flat YoY at 4.4mt in 2QFY26. The decline in cement capacity utilization in 2Q was due to the addition of 1.3mtpa capacity through debottlenecking undertaken in 2HFY25.
- Volume share from South/East was ~83%/~17% in 2QFY26 vs. ~82%/~18% in 2QFY25.

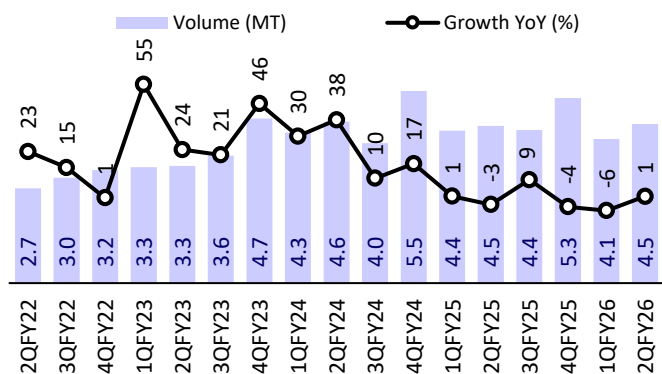
Operational highlights

- The share of premium products was ~30% in 2QFY26 vs. ~27%/29% in 2QFY25/1QFY26 in the South region. In the East region, the share of premium products was ~24% in 2QFY26 vs. ~23%/22% in 2QFY25/1QFY26. The OPC share was ~35% of total volumes in 2QFY26 vs. 30%/31% in 2QFY25/1QFY26.
- Blended coal consumption cost was USD122/t (INR1.49/kcal) vs. USD130/USD126 (INR1.60/INR1.55 per kcal) in 2QFY25/1QFY26.
- TRCL used 50% petcoke vs. 58%/54% in 2QFY25/1QFY26. Alternative fuel share remains low at 1-2%. Green energy contributed 48% of power requirements vs. ~39%/31% in 2QFY25/1QFY26. Avg. lead distance was 253kms in 2QFY26 vs. 244kms in 2QFY25 and 244kms in 1QFY26.
- RM cost/t rose ~10% YoY to INR995/t due to the new mineral bearing land tax (MBT) of INR160/t on limestone in Tamil Nadu, impacting variable cost by INR400m in 2Q. Tamil Nadu remains the only state with such a levy, and industry representations for its reduction are pending with the state government.
- Revenue from the Construction Chemicals business stood at INR2.1b in FY25, with plans to scale it up to INR20b over the next 4-5 years using existing production facilities.

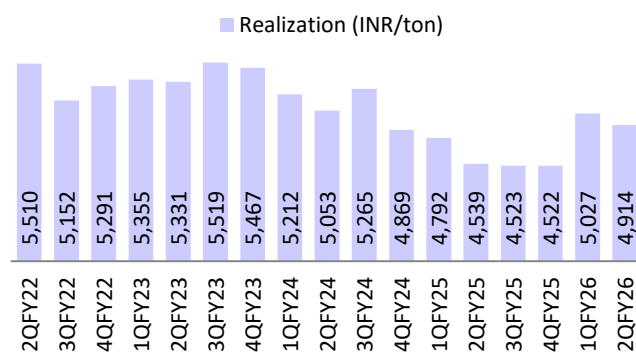
Debt and other highlights

- Gross debt stood at INR46.8b vs. INR46.5b as of Mar'25. The cost of debt for 2QFY26 was at 7.18% as against 7.96% in 2QFY25.

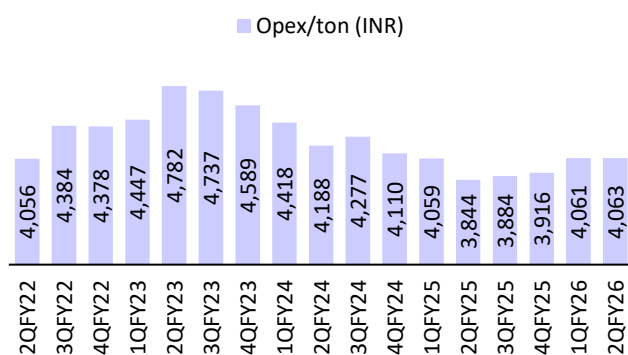
Story in charts

Exhibit 1: Sales volume inched up 1% YoY


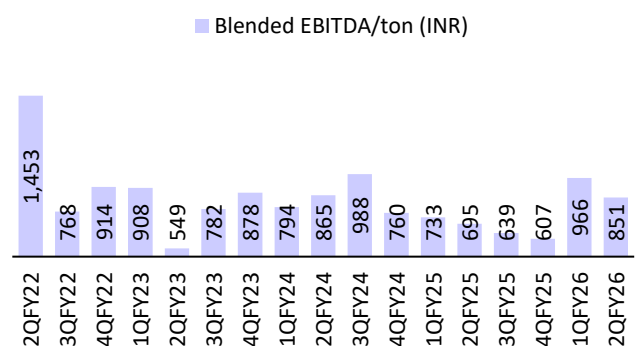
Source: MOFSL, Company

Exhibit 2: Realization up 8% YoY and down 2% QoQ


Source: MOFSL, Company

Exhibit 3: Opex/t was up 6% YoY (flat QoQ)


Source: MOFSL, Company

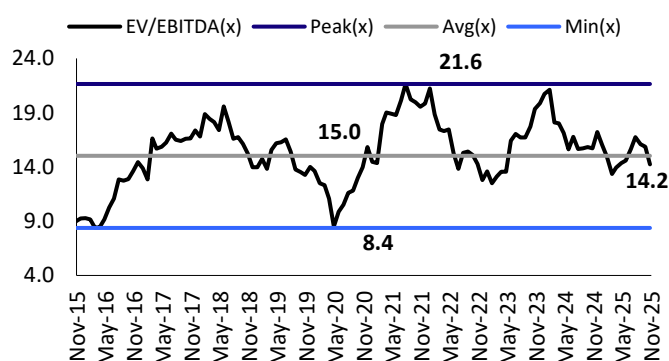
Exhibit 4: EBITDA/t increased 22% YoY


Source: MOFSL, Company

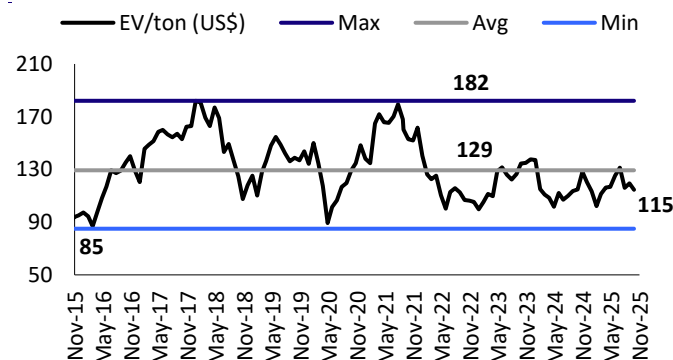
Exhibit 5: Key performance indicators – per ton analysis

INR/t	2QFY26	2QFY25	YoY (%)	1QFY26	QoQ (%)
Net realization	4,914	4,539	8.2	5,027	(2.3)
RM Cost	1,093	894	22.3	871	25.5
Employee Expenses	318	303	5.2	345	(7.6)
Power, Oil & Fuel	1,029	1,121	(8.2)	1,221	(15.8)
Freight and Handling Outward	1,045	1,018	2.6	1,038	0.6
Other Expenses	578	509	13.6	586	(1.3)
Total Expenses	4,063	3,844	5.7	4,061	0.0
EBITDA	851	695	22.4	966	(11.9)

Source: MOFSL, Company

Exhibit 6: One-year forward EV/EBITDA chart


Source: MOFSL, Company, Bloomberg

Exhibit 7: One-year forward EV/ton chart


Source: MOFSL, Company, Bloomberg

Financials and valuations

Income Statement								(INR m)
Y/E March	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Net Sales	52,684	59,800	81,353	93,498	84,951	92,060	1,00,503	1,09,464
Change (%)	-1.4	13.5	36.0	14.9	-9.1	8.4	9.2	8.9
EBITDA	15,480	12,838	11,820	15,525	12,319	16,419	19,896	23,383
Margin (%)	29.4	21.5	14.5	16.6	14.5	17.8	19.8	21.4
Depreciation	3,553	4,008	5,044	6,359	6,912	7,404	8,005	8,515
EBIT	11,927	8,830	6,775	9,167	5,407	9,016	11,892	14,868
Int. and Finance Charges	876	1,124	2,405	4,155	4,588	4,253	4,262	4,041
Other Income - Rec.	346	306	367	423	440	360	400	440
PBT bef. EO Exp.	11,397	8,012	4,737	5,435	1,259	5,122	8,029	11,268
EO Expense/(Income)	0	0	0	0	-3,398	0	0	0
PBT after EO Exp.	11,397	8,012	4,737	5,435	4,657	5,122	8,029	11,268
Current Tax	2,440	1,768	257	409	3	1,332	2,208	3,099
Deferred Tax	1,346	-2,682	1,045	1,076	481	0	0	0
Tax Rate (%)	33.2	-11.4	27.5	27.3	10.4	26.0	27.5	27.5
Reported PAT	7,611	8,927	3,435	3,950	4,174	3,791	5,821	8,169
PAT Adj for EO items	7,611	5,899	3,435	3,950	925	3,791	5,821	8,169
Change (%)	26.6	-22.5	-41.8	15.0	-76.6	309.6	53.6	40.3
Margin (%)	14.4	9.9	4.2	4.2	1.1	4.1	5.8	7.5

Balance Sheet								(INR m)
Y/E March	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Equity Share Capital	236	236	236	236	236	236	236	236
Total Reserves	56,032	65,012	67,699	71,205	74,701	77,547	82,187	90,356
Net Worth	56,268	65,249	67,935	71,441	74,938	77,783	82,423	90,592
Deferred Liabilities	10,877	8,240	9,285	10,304	10,759	10,759	10,759	10,759
Total Loans	31,017	39,300	44,874	49,168	46,521	43,021	43,521	38,521
Capital Employed	98,162	1,12,789	1,22,095	1,30,914	1,32,218	1,31,563	1,36,703	1,39,872
Gross Block	1,06,223	1,18,037	1,47,329	1,72,397	1,81,501	1,93,366	2,06,866	2,18,866
Less: Accum. Deprn.	38,720	42,728	47,772	54,131	61,043	68,446	76,451	84,966
Net Fixed Assets	67,503	75,309	99,557	1,18,266	1,20,458	1,24,919	1,30,415	1,33,900
Capital WIP	23,255	30,340	19,873	13,784	13,865	9,500	8,000	8,000
Total Investments	4,369	4,220	4,209	4,397	4,272	4,272	4,272	4,272
Curr. Assets, Loans&Adv.	18,331	20,687	21,530	25,235	25,146	26,143	28,035	31,058
Inventory	5,979	8,333	8,823	9,823	10,150	11,000	12,009	13,079
Account Receivables	3,752	3,498	4,650	8,522	7,219	7,567	8,261	8,997
Cash and Bank Balance	1,419	1,760	1,686	1,352	2,074	1,396	1,019	1,633
Loans and Advances	7,181	7,095	6,371	5,539	5,703	6,180	6,747	7,349
Curr. Liability & Prov.	15,296	17,767	23,074	30,770	31,523	33,269	34,019	37,358
Account Payables	14,655	16,985	22,141	29,635	30,158	32,682	33,042	35,988
Provisions	641	782	933	1,135	1,365	587	976	1,370
Net Current Assets	3,035	2,920	-1,545	-5,535	-6,377	-7,126	-5,983	-6,300
Appl. of Funds	98,162	1,12,789	1,22,095	1,30,914	1,32,218	1,31,563	1,36,703	1,39,872

Source: Company, MOFSL Estimates

Financials and valuations

Ratios

Y/E March	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Basic (INR)								
EPS	32.3	25.0	14.5	16.7	3.9	16.0	24.6	34.6
Cash EPS	47.3	41.9	35.9	43.6	33.2	47.4	58.5	70.6
BV/Share	238.5	276.1	287.5	302.3	317.1	329.2	348.8	383.4
DPS	3.0	3.0	2.0	2.5	2.0	4.0	0.0	0.0
Payout (%)	9.3	7.9	13.8	15.0	11.3	24.9	0.0	0.0
Valuation (x)								
P/E	31.9	41.2	70.7	61.5	262.6	64.1	41.8	29.8
Cash P/E	21.7	24.5	28.7	23.6	31.0	21.7	17.6	14.6
P/BV	4.3	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.2	3.1	2.9	2.7
EV/Sales	4.7	4.2	3.3	3.0	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.5
EV/EBITDA	16.1	19.5	22.5	17.8	22.2	16.7	13.9	11.6
EV/Ton (USD)	152	153	144	143	135	128	110	108
Dividend Yield (%)	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0
Return Ratios (%)								
RoIC	11.9	13.5	5.7	6.4	4.3	5.8	7.2	8.6
RoE	14.4	9.7	5.2	5.7	1.3	5.0	7.3	9.4
RoCE	9.8	10.6	4.8	6.0	3.5	5.7	7.2	8.7
Working Capital Ratios								
Asset Turnover (x)	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8
Inventory (Days)	41.4	50.9	39.6	38.3	43.6	43.6	43.6	43.6
Debtor (Days)	26.0	21.3	20.9	33.3	31.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
Creditor (Days)	101.5	103.7	99.3	115.7	129.6	129.6	120.0	120.0
Leverage Ratio (x)								
Current Ratio	1.2	1.2	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Debt/Equity	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4

Cash Flow Statement

Y/E March	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
(INR m)								
OP/(Loss) before Tax	11,397	8,012	4,737	5,435	4,657	5,122	8,029	11,268
Depreciation	3,553	4,008	5,044	6,359	6,912	7,404	8,005	8,515
Interest & Finance Charges	876	1,124	2,405	4,155	4,588	4,253	4,262	4,041
Direct Taxes Paid	-3,786	915	-1,302	-419	-202	-1,332	-2,208	-3,099
(Inc)/Dec in WC	5,507	457	4,390	3,587	1,662	74	-1,522	931
CF from Operations	17,547	14,516	15,275	19,117	17,617	15,521	16,566	21,655
Others	143	30	-166	-245	-3,595	0	0	0
CF from Operating incl EO	17,690	14,546	15,109	18,872	14,022	15,521	16,566	21,655
(Inc)/Dec in FA	-17,434	-18,900	-18,826	-19,224	-10,240	-7,500	-12,000	-12,000
Free Cash Flow	256	-4,354	-3,717	-352	3,782	8,021	4,566	9,655
(Pur)/Sale of Investments	-94	150	11	28	3,758	0	0	0
Others	1,150	-1,904	935	197	1,031	0	0	0
CF from Investments	-16,378	-20,654	-17,880	-18,999	-5,452	-7,500	-12,000	-12,000
Issue of Shares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inc/(Dec) in Debt	776	8,282	5,575	4,258	-2,708	-3,500	500	-5,000
Interest Paid	-876	-1,124	-2,405	-4,063	-4,517	-4,253	-4,262	-4,041
Dividend Paid	-708	-709	-473	-473	-591	-945	-1,182	0
Others	0	0	0	-2	-3	0	0	0
CF from Fin. Activity	-808	6,450	2,697	-280	-7,819	-8,698	-4,944	-9,041
Inc/Dec of Cash	504	342	-74	-407	751	-677	-378	615
Opening Balance	915	1,419	1,761	1,759	1,322	2,074	1,396	1,019
Closing Balance	1,419	1,761	1,686	1,351	2,074	1,396	1,019	1,633

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