

# MTL | INDU | ENGRO

## MTL: Profitability to arrive at PKR 42.2/share in 9MFY24

MTL is expected to announce its financial result for the period ended 9MFY24 on 25<sup>th</sup> April'24, whereby we expect net profit to arrive at PKR 8,086mn (EPS: PKR 42.2), massively up by 280% YoY. The growth in earnings is primarily expected due to better volumetric sales which are up by 3.8x YoY. On a quarterly basis, the bottom line is projected to clock in at PKR 2,840mn (EPS: PKR 14.8) in 3QFY24 vis-à-vis PKR 1,280mn (EPS: PKR 6.67) in 2QFY23, depicting a growth of 2x YoY. The increase in profitability is primarily owed to the increase in tractors' prices coupled with volumetric growth of 7% YoY on the back of improved farmers income. The other income is anticipated to improve YoY, settling at PKR 151mn in 3QFY24 on account of increase in short term investments by the company compared to SPLY.

Exhibit: Financial Highlights							
(PKR mn)	9MFY24e	9MFY23a	YoY	3QFY24e	3QFY23a	YoY	QoQ
Net Sales	68,399	30,297	126%	23,705	16,922	40%	-1%
Gross Profit	16,166	5,309	204%	5,689	2,919	95%	0%
Gross Margins	23.6%	17.5%		24.0%	17.2%		
Other Income	842	370	2.3x	151	54	2.8x	-72%
PAT	8,086	2,127	3.8x	2,840	1,280	122%	-4%
EPS (PKR)	42.2	11.1		14.8	6.67		

Source (s): Company Financials, AHL Research

### INDU: Improvement in gross margins to boost earnings in 9MFY24

INDU is expected to announce the financial result for period ended 9MFY24 on 26<sup>th</sup> April'24. The company is projected to post a net profit of PKR 7.9bn (EPS: PKR 101.6), up by 37% YoY. Gross margins are expected to recover substantially due to stable PKR/USD parity. On a quarterly basis, the company is expected to register a profit of PKR 3.0bn (EPS: PKR 38.5) compared to a profit of PKR 1.7bn (EPS: PKR 22.2) owed to i) improved gross margins and, ii) positive operating profits. However, a subdued topline of PKR 38.8bn (-20% YoY) is expected on the back of lower volumetric sales with major drag coming from Fortuner and Hilux (-69% YoY). Other income is expected to remain stable YoY but improve by 21% QoQ primarily attributable to increase in short term investments. Alongside the result, we expect the company to announce an interim cash dividend of PKR 23.1/share (PKR 60.8/share in 9MFY24).

Exhibit: Financial Highlights							
(PKR mn)	9MFY24e	9MFY23a	YoY	3QFY24e	3QFY23a	YoY	QoQ
Net Sales	89,697	135,033	-34%	38,786	48,199	-20%	113%
Gross Profit	7,862	197	150%	3,144	3,045	3%	122%
Gross Margins	8.77%	0.15%		8.11%	6.32%		
Other Income	8,345	11,653	-28%	3,029	3,036	0%	21%
PAT	7,984	5,844	37%	3,027	3,216	-6%	74%
EPS (PKR)	101.6	74.4		38.5	40.9		74%
DPS (PKR)	60.8	42.8		23.1	24.4		
Source (s): Company	Financials AHI	Research					

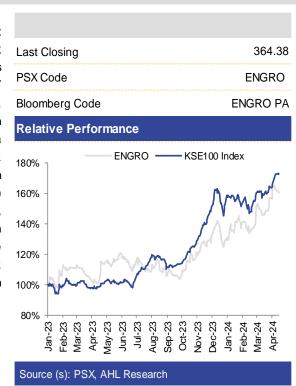
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### ENGRO: Bottom-line projected at PKR 16.78/share in 1QCY24

Engro Corporation Limited (ENGRO) is scheduled to announce its 1QCY24 financial result on 25th Apr'24, where we expect the company's consolidated earnings to arrive at PKR 9,006mn (EPS: PKR 16.78), depicting a massive jump of 94% YoY. On the fertilizer business front, EFERT's earnings settled at PKR 10,784mn (EPS: PKR 8.08), surging by 2x YoY during 1QCY24 owed to i) a hike in urea and DAP prices by 66% and 22% YoY, respectively, ii) a massive jump in DAP offtake by 85% YoY, and iii) fall in finance cost amid reduction in short term borrowings. Meanwhile, Engro Polymer & Chemicals Limited (EPCL) registered a loss of PKR 901mn (LPS: PKR 0.99) compared to net profit of PKR 1,183mn (EPS: PKR 1.30) due to higher gas prices and subdued PVC margins. Whereas, Engro Powergen Qadirpur Pakistan Limited (EPQL) posted a Profit after Tax of PKR 585mn (EPS: PKR 1.81) in 1QCY24, up by 33% YoY on account of 8x YoY jump in finance income. Alongside this, we expect the profitability of Elengy business to settle at PKR 1,441mn, with an assumption of handling of ~663/mmcfd of RLNG during 1QCY24, as per our estimates. Meanwhile, the contribution from Thar business (EPTL & SECMC) during 1QCY24 is anticipated to be PKR 3,487mn. In addition to the result, we expect the company to announce an interim cash dividend of PKR 12.00/share in 1QCY24.



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- Justified Price to Book (JPTB)
- Reserved Base Valuation (RBV)

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