

3QCY26E earnings to increase on higher off-take

- TSL Fertilizer Universe to witness a surge in profitability on the back of increase in off-take during 3QCY26 i.e. Urea sales up 27% QoQ (mainly due to seasonal demand—irrigation and cultivation of Kharif crops) and DAP sales up 48%QoQ, attributed to significant increase in sowing activities during Jul'26-Aug'26.
- Gross margins to hover at ~32%, down 2pptsQoQ due to higher cost of production on account of increase in international fertilizer nutrients along with significant increase in the DAP prices—impacting EFERT in the TSL Fertilizer Universe. Nevertheless, EFERT is likely to improve its market share to ~34% in 3QCY26 (up 7pptsYoY) mainly due to sharp increase in sales during the quarter. In contrast, FFC's overall market share is likely to decline i.e. down 4pptsYoY to 45% in 3QCY26.
- Going forward, we expect Urea demand to remain stable during CY26 (6.6-6.7Mn tons as manufacturers have sufficient inventory stock to utilize) on the back of lower domestic Urea prices despite significant increase in the international Urea prices (impact of the US-Iran conflict) as most of the manufacturers are using indigenous gas.
- However, we expect significant pressure on DAP sales as increase in the international DAP prices is likely to increase freight and insurance cost—rising imported DAP prices except in case of FFC as it produces local DAP and has an advantage to increase margins. Therefore, FFC remains our top pick in the sector.

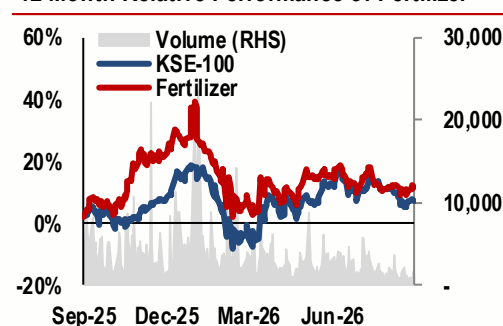
TSL Fertilizer - 3QCY26E

PKR per share	EPS	DPS
FFC	14.6	11.0
EFERT*	5.1	4.0

Source: Company Accounts and TSL Research

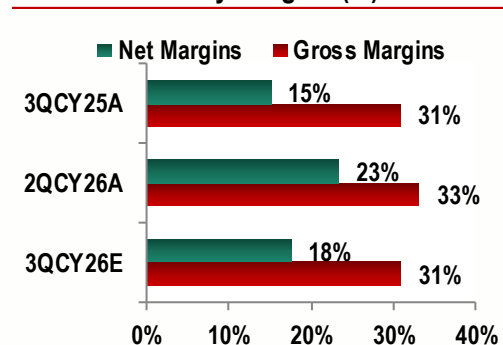
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12 Month Relative Performance of Fertilizer



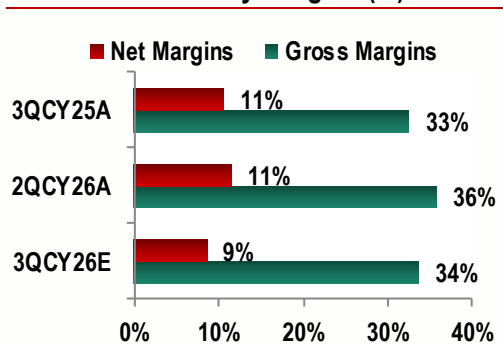
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FFC - Profitability Margins (%)



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EFERT - Profitability Margins (%)



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Industry					
Off-take	3QCY26E	3QCY25A	YoY%	2QCY26A	QoQ%
Urea	1,871	1,854	1%	1,474	27%
DAP	288	340	-15%	194	48%
Total	2,159	2,194	-2%	1,668	29%

FFC					
Off-take	3QCY26E	3QCY25A	YoY%	2QCY26A	QoQ%
Urea	755	833	-9%	803	-6%
DAP	206	253	-19%	136	51%
Total	961	1,086	-12%	939	2%

EFERT					
Off-take	3QCY26E	3QCY25A	YoY%	2QCY26A	QoQ%
Urea	693	589	18%	258	1.7x
DAP	37	14	168%	17	1.1x
Total	730	603	21%	276	1.6x

Source: NFDC & TSL Research

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FFC: 3QCY26 EPS to clock-in at PKR 14.6

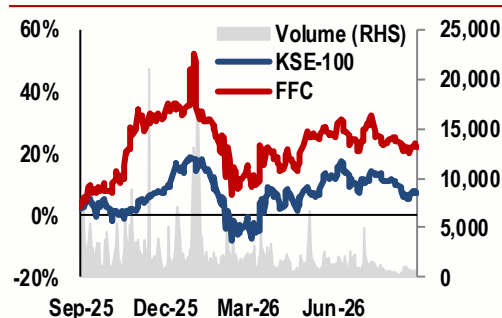
Result Preview - 3QCY26E

PKR (Mn)	3QCY26E	3QCY25A	YoY	2QCY26A	QoQ	9MCY26E	9MCY25A	YoY
Sales	119,438	127,251	-6%	104,320	14%	319,051	282,700	13%
Cost of sales	(82,540)	(88,032)	-6%	(69,740)	18%	(218,447)	(189,874)	15%
Gross profit	36,897	39,219	-6%	34,580	7%	100,604	92,826	8%
Finance cost	(2,426)	(1,555)	56%	(2,119)	14%	(6,715)	(4,962)	35%
Other income	14,333	6,272	1.3x	17,569	-18%	42,571	34,433	24%
Profit after tax	20,957	19,185	9%	24,369	-14%	62,802	57,636	9%
EPS	14.6	13.5		16.9		43.6	40.5	
DPS	11.0	9.5		14.5		34.0	28.5	

Source: Company Accounts & TSL Research

- FFC's net sales are expected to clock-in at ~PKR 119.4Bn in 3QCY26, up 14%QoQ on account of increase in overall off-take by 2%QoQ. Gross margins to hover around 31% in 3QCY26, down 2pptsQoQ mainly due to compressed margins for DAP sales during the quarter. Furthermore, earnings are expected to arrive at PKR 21Bn in 3QCY26, down 14%QoQ due to decline in Urea sales along with lower other income (down 18%MoM). Finally, we expect FFC to announce a cash dividend of PKR 11.0 for the quarter.

12 Month Relative Performance of FFC



Source: PSX and TSL Research

EFERT: 3QCY26 EPS to clock-in at PKR 5.1

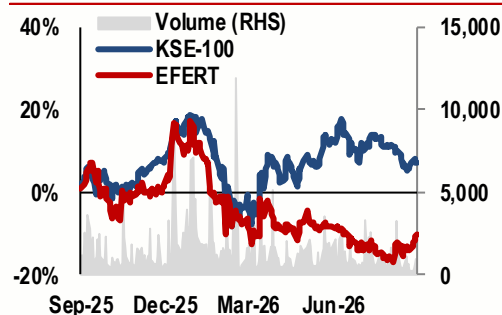
Result Preview - 3QCY26E

PKR (Mn)	3QCY26E	3QCY25A	YoY	2QCY26A	QoQ	9MCY26E	9MCY25A	YoY
Sales	80,323	54,764	47%	33,065	1.4x	151,178	135,454	12%
Cost of sales	(53,286)	(36,923)	44%	(21,239)	1.5x	(100,584)	(91,086)	10%
Gross profit	27,038	17,841	52%	11,825	1.3x	50,594	44,368	14%
Finance cost	(2,410)	(1,262)	91%	(1,867)	29%	(5,704)	(4,121)	38%
Other income	803	534	50%	413	95%	1,598	1,578	1%
Profit after tax	6,872	5,811	18%	3,800	81%	13,990	14,274	-2%
EPS	5.1	4.4		2.8		10.5	10.7	
DPS	4.0	4.5		1.8		7.8	11.0	

Source: Company Accounts & TSL Research

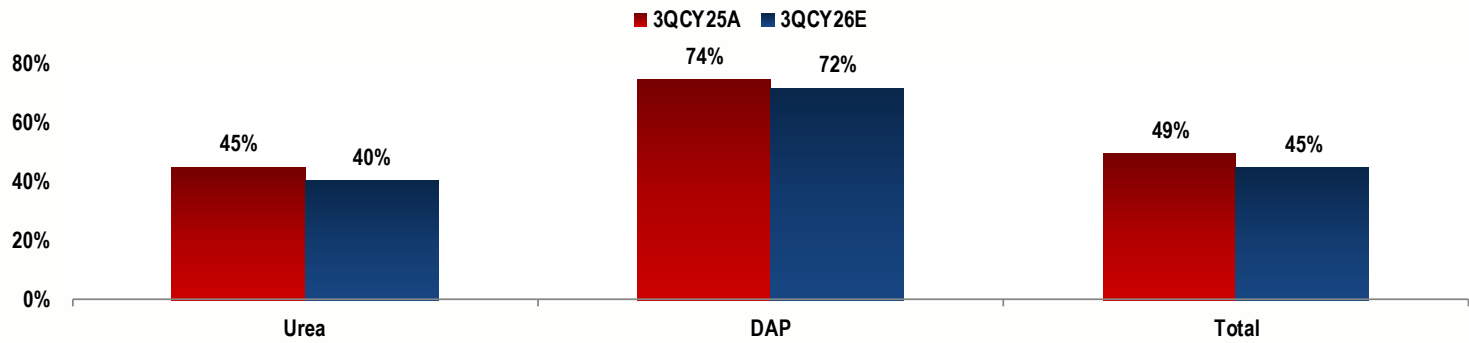
- Sales are expected to clock-in at ~PKR 80.3Bn in 3QCY26, up 1.4xQoQ due to increase in off-take by 1.6xQoQ. Gross margins likely to arrive at ~34%QoQ in 3QCY26, down 2pptsQoQ due to higher cost of production. Further, EFERT is forecast to post a PAT of PKR 6.9Bn in 3QCY26, up 81%QoQ mainly due to higher sales growth. Accordingly, 3QCY26 EPS is expected to clock-in at PKR 5.1. Lastly, we expect the Company to announce a cash dividend of PKR 4.0 for the quarter.

12 Month Relative Performance of EFERT



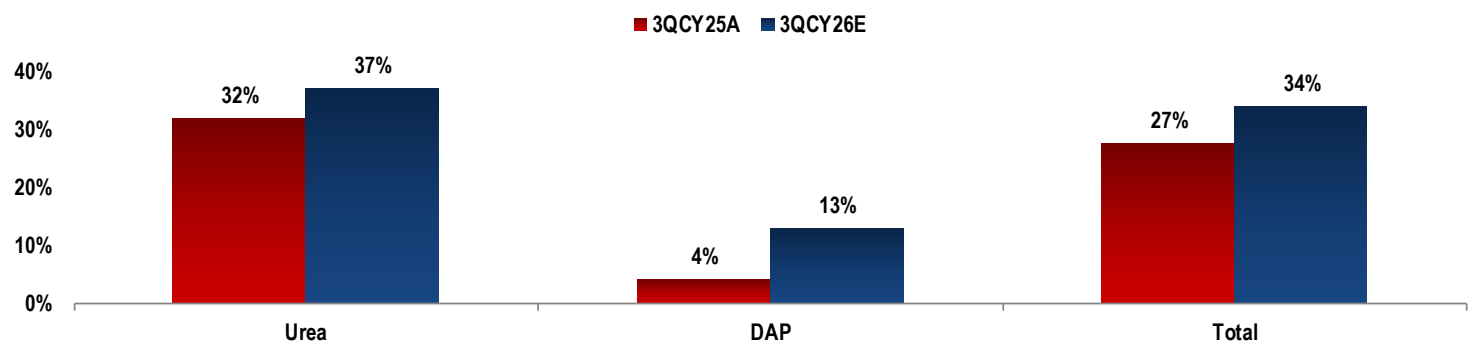
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FFC Market Share (%)



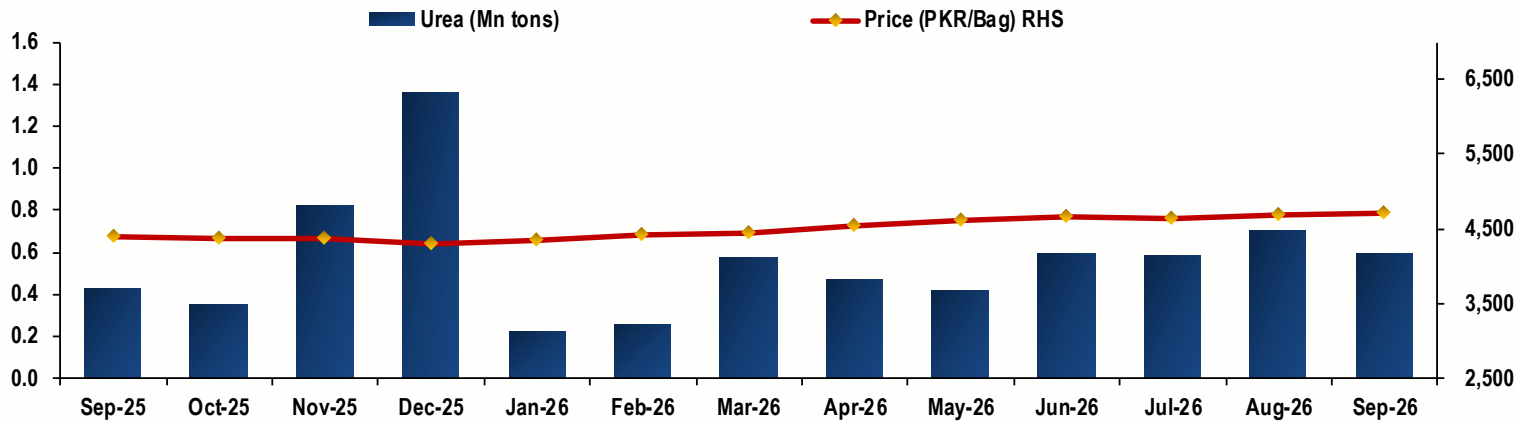
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EFERT Market Share (%)



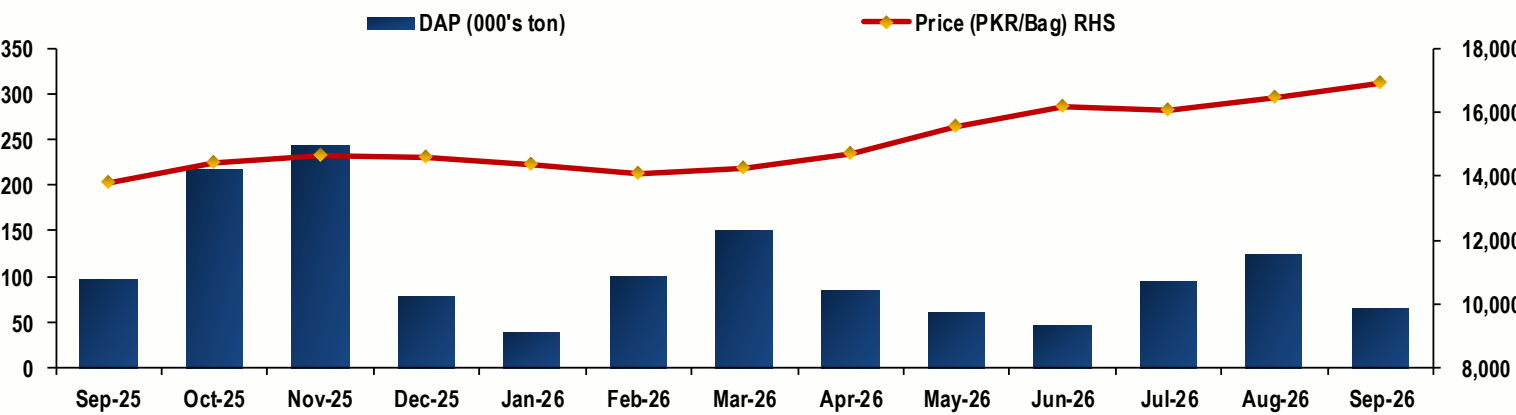
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Urea Off-take & Prices



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DAP Off-take & Prices



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TP	Target Price	DCF	Discounted Cash Flows	FCF	Free Cash Flows
FCFE	Free Cash Flows to Equity	FCFF	Free Cash Flows to Firm	DDM	Dividend Discount Model
SOTP	Sum of the Parts	P/E	Price to Earnings ratio	P/BVPS	Price to Book ratio
P/S	Price to Sales	EVA	Economic Valued Added	BVPS	Book Value per Share
EPS	Earnings per Share	DPS	Dividend per Share	DY	Dividend Yield
ROE	Return on Equity	ROA	Return on Assets	JPB	Justified Price to Book