

**CMP Rs. 2308.5**

Bloomberg Code	ACC IN
No of share O/S (in crs)	18.78
Market Cap (in Rs. crs)	43,351.63
Face Value (in Rs.)	10
Dividend Yield (%)	0.61
52 Wk High/Low	2342.9/1289.7

Shareholding (%)	
Promoters	54.53
Institutional	33.14
Public	12.33
Total	100.00

## ACC has commenced capacity expansion projects and associated grinding units at Ametha in MP

### Key Highlights:

ACC Ltd reported net revenue of Rs. 3,885 cr, which was marked by a growth of +49.4%/-16.9% in YoY/QoQ terms. This was impacted by volume growth of +43.7%/-14.5% YoY/QoQ in the Cement segment to 6.84MT and +286.7%/-30.1% in the RMX segment to 0.58 Mio m3. Realization rates in the cements business rose in the quarter by 2% YoY to Rs 5,153/ton driven by premium products and brand positioning. Capacity expansion projects at Ametha in Madhya Pradesh and associated grinding units have commenced. WHRS projects in Jamul (10MW) and Kymore (14MW) are on track and likely to be commissioned by Q2CY22. Wet Flyash dryer installation as a cost efficiency project at Kymore, Gagal & Wadi are on fast track. Geocycle project Chanda was commissioned in June'21.

### Operating margin expansion driven by favorable mix and cost efficiency project 'Parvat'

Gross Profit margins expanded by 50bps YoY to 65.7% in Q2CY21 impacted by reducing clinker factor and 36.8% higher raw materials cost /tonne in the cement business but mitigated through project 'Parvat'. Power and Fuel cost /tonne in the cement business was higher by 27.0% YoY impacted by rising fuel prices however various efficiency projects are underway to drive cost down. EBITDA for the quarter grew at +65.8% YoY/+1.2% QoQ to Rs 869 cr. Margins expanded by 220bps YoY/200bps QoQ to 22.4%. This was aided by 16% lower employee cost/tonne in the cement business.

Net income for the quarter stood at Rs 570 cr (+112.6%YoY/+2.2% QoQ) and Net profit margin was 14.7% (+410bps YoY/+150bps QoQ)

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## Media Release Highlights

- Various environment friendly projects underway targeting water saving by >50%, CO2 footprint reduction >80% and zero clinker binder.
- Cost effective Concrete Admixture was developed in RMX, further expansion to happen in Central India. Cool Walls : Special additive was developed in Powder and Liquid form for performance enhancement.
- Freight and forwarding costs per tonne rose by 4.8% YoY to Rs 1,278 cr in the quarter. Projects like geo mix and network optimization underway to mitigate fuel cost headwinds. Better absorption driven by higher volumes drove down employee cost/tonne by 16% to Rs 274 cr.
- Other expenses/tonne increased by 18.4% to Rs 753 cr driven by higher cost of maintenance in plants
- ECOPact was rolled out Pan India with excellent volume ramp up.
- ACC achieved a capacity utilization of 77% in Q2CY22. It currently has 17 cement plants and 79 ready mix concrete plants.

## Valuation

At the CMP of Rs. 2308.5 the stock is trading at a 22.2x P/E with an estimated CY22 EPS of Rs. 102.3.

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## Financial Summary

Power & Fuel Cost increased by 81.6% YoY impacted by rising fuel prices

Employee costs were higher by 18.7% YoY but went down 16% per tonne in the cement business driven by higher volumes and better absorption.

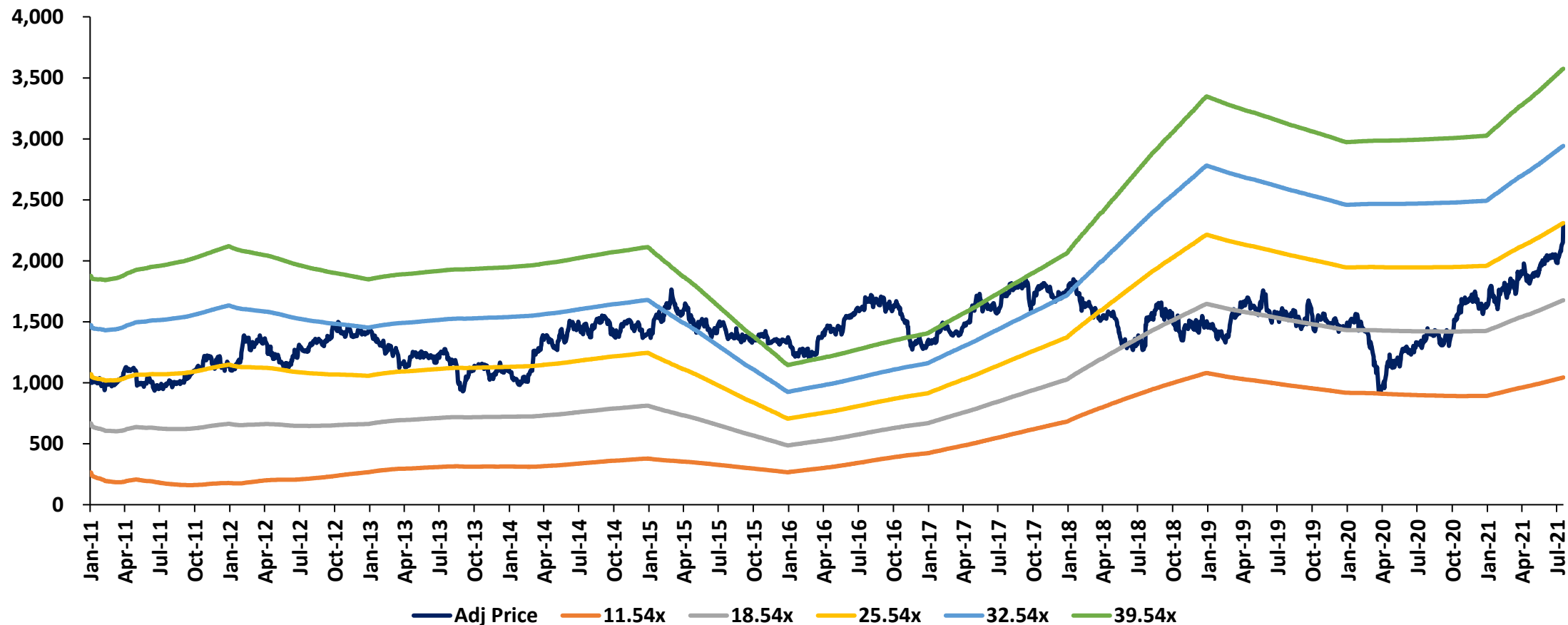
EBITDA margin expanded by 220bps YoY and 200 bps QoQ to 22.4%

PAT for the quarter increased 112.6% YoY to Rs 570 cr.

Figures are in Rs Cr	Q2CY21	Q2CY20	YoY (%)	Q1CY21	QoQ (%)	CY19	CY20	YoY (%)
Net Sales	3,885	2,601	49.4	4,213	-16.9	15,657	13,706	-12.5
Raw Material Cost	502	499	0.6	746	-36.3	2,721	2,512	-7.7
<b>RM Cost to Sales (%)</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>19.2</b>		<b>17.7</b>		<b>17.4</b>	<b>18.3</b>	<b>5.5</b>
Power & Fuel Cost	830	457	81.6	804	-8.7	3,131	2,572	
<b>Power &amp; Fuel Cost to Sales (%)</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>17.6</b>		<b>19.1</b>		<b>20.0</b>	<b>18.8</b>	
Employee Cost	209	176	18.7	206	1.3	864	839	-2.9
<b>Employee Cost to Sales (%)</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>6.8</b>		<b>4.9</b>		<b>5.5</b>	<b>6.1</b>	
Operating Expenses	1,474	944	56.2	1,598	-6.3	6,534	5,431	-16.9
<b>OPEX to Sales (%)</b>	<b>37.9</b>	<b>36.3</b>		<b>37.9</b>		<b>41.7</b>	<b>39.6</b>	
EBITDA	869	524	65.8	859	-31.8	2,407	2,351	-2.3
<b>EBITDA Margin (%)</b>	<b>22.4</b>	<b>20.2</b>		<b>20.4</b>		<b>15.4</b>	<b>17.2</b>	
Depreciation	146	162	-9.5	142	10.3	603	635	5.4
Interest	13	13	-0.5	11	-5.6	86	57	
Other Income	46	50	-9.3	43	26.7	314	205	-34.6
<b>Other Income to Sales (%)</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>1.9</b>		<b>1.0</b>		<b>2.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>	
Exceptional Income / Expenses	1	1	1.0	0	2.0	0	-176	0.0
Profit Before Tax	756	401	88.7	749	-36.9	2,031	1,688	-16.9
<b>Tax Rate (%)</b>	<b>25.1</b>	<b>33.1</b>		<b>17.8</b>		<b>33.1</b>	<b>16.2</b>	
Profit After Tax	567	268	111.4	557	-42.6	1,359	1,415	4.1
Minority Int/Share of Associates	3	0		0		0	0	
Net Profit	570	268	112.6	557	-42.6	1,359	1,415	4.1
<b>Net Profit Margin (%)</b>	<b>14.7</b>	<b>10.3</b>		<b>13.2</b>		<b>8.7</b>	<b>10.3</b>	
Adjusted EPS	30.3	14.3	112.6	29.7	-42.6	72.4	75.3	4.1
Shareholder's Funds	13,582	12,699				11,521	12,661	
BV per share	723.3	676.3				613.5	674.2	
Net Debt	-5,748	-5,922				-4,538	-5,891	
Net Debt to Equity	-0.4	-0.5				-0.4	-0.5	
Net Debt to EBITDA	-1.9	-1.7				-1.9	-2.5	
CAPEX	344	177				493	725	
RoE	4.2	2.1				11.8	11.2	
ROIC	22.5	25.7				17.3	21.2	
P/E	22.2	21.6				20.0	21.5	
P/B	3.2	2.0				2.4	2.4	
EV/EBITDA	12.7	8.6				9.4	10.4	

Figures are in Rs. Cr	Q2CY19	Q3CY19	Q4CY19	Q1CY20	Q2CY20	Q3CY20	Q4CY20	Q1CY21	Q2CY21	CY19	CY20	CY21E	CY22E
<b>Volumes</b>													
Cement (MT)	7.2	6.44	7.76	6.56	4.76	6.49	7.70	8.00	6.84	28.90	25.50	28.84	34.61
RMC (Mio m3)	0.85	0.81	0.93	0.93	0.15	0.46	0.73	0.83	0.58	3.53	2.27	3.01	3.53
<b>Revenue</b>													
Cement	3,841	3,233	3,705	3,153	2,551	3,373	3,877	3,981	3,672	14,366	12,954	14,252	16,709
<i>% of Revenue</i>	<i>92.57%</i>	<i>91.64%</i>	<i>91.25%</i>	<i>90.04%</i>	<i>98.03%</i>	<i>94.49%</i>	<i>93.53%</i>	<i>92.75%</i>	<i>94.53%</i>	<i>93.63%</i>	<i>96.05%</i>	<i>91.57%</i>	<i>91.74%</i>
Revenue/tonne	5335	5021	4774	4807	5359	5197	5034	4976	5369	4971	5080	4942	4828
Ready Mix Concrete	366	335	389	390	62	197	313	360	255	1,483	962	1,283	1,504
<i>% of Revenue</i>	<i>8.82%</i>	<i>9.49%</i>	<i>9.58%</i>	<i>11.14%</i>	<i>2.39%</i>	<i>5.51%</i>	<i>7.55%</i>	<i>8.38%</i>	<i>6.57%</i>	<i>9.66%</i>	<i>7.13%</i>	<i>8.24%</i>	<i>8.26%</i>
Revenue/MCM	4304	4134	4182	4193	4149	4273	4287	4335	4398	4200	4236	4260	4260
less: Intersegment	57	40	34	41	11		45	49	42	505	428	-29	
<b>Revenue from Operations</b>	<b>4,150</b>	<b>3,528</b>	<b>4,060</b>	<b>3,502</b>	<b>2,602</b>	<b>3,570</b>	<b>4,145</b>	<b>4,292</b>	<b>3,885</b>	<b>15,343</b>	<b>13,487</b>	<b>15,563</b>	<b>18,213</b>

### ACC Ltd 1 year forward P/E band chart



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