# POL

### FY20 Result Review: Stance Upgraded to BUY



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POL has announced its annual result where it posted profit after tax of Rs16.4bn (EPS: Rs57.69) in FY20 as compared to profit after tax of Rs16.9bn (EPS: Rs59.44) in same period last year, down by 2.9% YoY.

The company has posted the revenue of Rs38.5bn against Rs43.9bn in SPLY, recording a negative growth of 12.5% YoY. We note that this decline is attributed to the decline in international crude oil prices and the drop in the production of oil and gas.

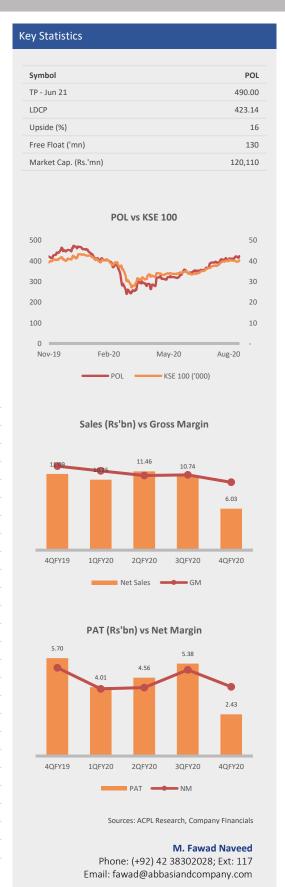
Gross margin has slightly been improved to 58.1% in FY20 as compared to 57.8% in SPLY owing to lower operating cost which has decline by 9.5% YoY. Exploration cost has been declined by 31.4% YoY while the admin costs has been increased by 6.1% YoY.

Other income has declined by 36.5% YoY to Rs4.6bn as compared to Rs7.2bn during SPLY owing to lower exchange gains. Finance cost has also been declined by 41.4% YoY due to lower provision of decommissioning cost. Lastly, effective taxation has been lowered to 24.7% in FY20 as compared to 32.1% during SPLY.

POL is currently trading at a FY21E PE of 8.19x. Furthermore, the scrip is also trading at FY21E PB of 2.8x which provides a discount of 20% relative to its 5-year average of 3.67x. Going forward, we have a **BUY** stance on the scrip with a DCF based Jun-21 TP of Rs 490 as the demand for crude oil is set to bounce back next year at a historically quick pace. We have assumed the Arab Light price at \$45 in FY21 and \$50 thereafter till FY25, in our working.

Rupees' millions	4QFY20	4QFY19	YoY	FY20	FY19	YoY
Net Sales	6,025	11,086	45.6% ▼	38,475	43,977	12.5% ▼
Operating Cost	-1,699	-2,067	17.8% ▼	-9,408	-10,393	9.5% ▼
Gross Profit	3,169	7,225	56.1% ▼	22,368	25,410	12.0% ▼
Exploration Cost	-253	-142	78.8% ▲	-1,405	-2,049	31.4% ▼
Administrative Expenses	-18	-27	34.0% ▼	-192	-181	6.1% ▲
Operating Profit	2,754	6,545	57.9% ▼	19,388	21,452	9.6% ▼
Other Income	861	3,201	73.1% ▼	4,558	7,177	36.5% ▼
Finance costs	-524	-1,710	69.4% ▼	-2,212	-3,774	41.4% ▼
Profit Before Taxation	3,092	8,036	61.5% ▼	21,734	24,855	12.6% ▼
Taxation	-663	-2,340	71.7% ▼	-5,359	-7,983	32.9% ▼
Profit After Taxation	2,429	5,696	57.4% ▼	16,376	16,872	2.9% ▼
Earnings Per Share	8.56	20.07	57.4% ▼	57.69	59.44	2.9% ▼
Dividend	30.00	30.00		50.00	50.00	
Bonus	0%	0%		0%	0%	
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Gross Margin	52.6%	65.2%	12.6% ▼	58.1%	57.8%	0.4% ▲
Exploration Cost to Sales	-4.2%	-1.3%	2.9% ▲	-3.7%	-4.7%	1.0% ▼
Admin Cost to Sales	-0.3%	-0.2%	0.1% 🛦	-0.5%	-0.4%	0.1% 🛦
Other Income to Sales	14.3%	28.9%	14.6% ▼	11.8%	16.3%	4.5% ▼
Effective Taxation	-21.4%	-29.1%	7.7% ▼	-24.7%	-32.1%	7.5% ▼
Net Margin	40.3%	51.4%	11.1% ▼	42.6%	38.4%	4.2% ▲

Source: ACPL Research, Company Financials



# **Financial Projections**

Rupees' millions	FY15A	FY16A	FY17A	FY18A	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Revenue	30,881	24,848	27,280	32,665	43,977	38,475	36,622	40,584	38,270
Operating Cost	-8,726	-8,872	-8,384	-8,456	-10,393	-9,408	-9,408	-9,408	-9,408
Excise Duty	-251	-265	-272	-308	-309	-279	-266	-294	-278
Royalty	-2,610	-2,021	-2,344	-3,778	-4,554	-4,010	-3,817	-4,230	-3,989
Amortization of development and decommissioning costs	-3,027	-2,448	-2,209	-2,987	-3,312	-2,410	-2,278	-2,101	-1,959
Gross profit	16,267	11,243	14,072	17,136	25,410	22,368	20,854	24,551	22,637
Exploration Cost	-4,729	-2,052	-1,468	-2,990	-2,049	-1,405	-1,405	-1,405	-1,405
Administrative Expenses	-140	-140	-109	-170	-181	-192	-183	-203	-191
Other Charges	-486	-560	-809	-967	-1,728	-1,383	-1,316	-1,459	-1,376
Profit from operations	10,913	8,491	11,685	13,009	21,452	19,388	17,949	21,484	19,665
Other income	1,563	1,411	1,473	3,262	7,177	4,558	3,750	3,868	3,805
Finance cost	-987	-1,022	-746	-1,919	-3,774	-2,212	-2,224	-2,224	-2,224
Profit before income tax	11,489	8,880	12,412	14,353	24,855	21,734	19,475	23,128	21,246
Income tax expense	-3,031	-1,646	-2,734	-2,969	-7,983	-5,359	-4,285	-5,088	-4,674
Profit for the year		7,234	,	11,384	16,872	16,376	•	18,040	16,572
Front for the year	8,459	7,254	9,679	11,304	10,072	10,376	15,191	10,040	10,572
EPS	29.80	25.48	34.10	40.10	59.44	57.69	53.52	63.55	58.38
EBITDA	9,489	6,913	10,128	11,377	20,008	18,110	16,819	20,484	18,781

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# **Horizontal Analysis**

	FY15A	FY16A	FY17A	FY18A	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Revenue	-13.1%	-19.5%	9.8%	19.7%	34.6%	-12.5%	-4.8%	10.8%	-5.7%
Operating Cost	14.7%	1.7%	-5.5%	0.9%	22.9%	-9.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Excise Duty	-11.1%	5.7%	2.6%	13.3%	0.5%	-9.8%	-4.8%	10.8%	-5.7%
Royalty	-24.1%	-22.6%	16.0%	61.2%	20.5%	-11.9%	-4.8%	10.8%	-5.7%
Amortization of development and decommissioning costs	-41.8%	-19.1%	-9.7%	35.2%	10.9%	-27.2%	-5.5%	-7.8%	-6.8%
Gross profit	-14.4%	-30.9%	25.2%	21.8%	48.3%	-12.0%	-6.8%	17.7%	-7.8%
Exploration Cost	176.6%	-56.6%	-28.4%	103.6%	-31.5%	-31.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Administrative Expenses	14.3%	0.0%	-21.9%	55.6%	6.9%	6.1%	-4.8%	10.8%	-5.7%
Other Charges	-57.4%	15.4%	44.4%	19.5%	78.8%	-20.0%	-4.8%	10.8%	-5.7%
Profit from operations	-32.0%	-22.2%	37.6%	11.3%	64.9%	-9.6%	-7.4%	19.7%	-8.5%
Other income	-14.3%	-9.7%	4.4%	121.5%	120.0%	-36.5%	-17.7%	3.2%	-1.6%
Finance cost	50.9%	3.5%	-27.0%	157.1%	96.6%	-41.4%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Profit before income tax	-33.2%	-22.7%	39.8%	15.6%	73.2%	-12.6%	-10.4%	18.8%	-8.1%
Income tax expense	-29.8%	-45.7%	66.1%	8.6%	168.9%	-32.9%	-20.0%	18.8%	-8.1%
Profit for the year	-34.4%	-14.5%	33.8%	17.6%	48.2%	-2.9%	-7.2%	18.8%	-8.1%
EPS	-34.4%	-14.5%	33.8%	17.6%	48.2%	-2.9%	-7.2%	18.8%	-8.1%
EBITDA	-35.7%	-27.2%	46.5%	12.3%	75.9%	-9.5%	-7.1%	21.8%	-8.3%

Source: ACPL Research, Company Financials

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# **Key Ratios**

Profitability Ratios		FY15A	FY16A	FY17A	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
GP Margin	%	52.68	45.25	51.58	52.46	57.78	58.14	56.94	60.49	59.15
NP Margin	%	27.39	29.11	35.48	34.85	38.36	42.56	41.48	44.45	43.30
OP Margin	%	35.34	34.17	42.83	39.83	48.78	50.39	49.01	52.94	51.39
ROE	%	26.14	23.99	30.73	34.74	44.32	40.19	35.38	40.13	34.99
ROA	%	15.26	12.98	16.79	16.22	20.70	19.61	18.37	20.48	18.33
Liquidity Ratios		FY15A	FY16A	FY17A	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Current	х	2.37	2.22	2.22	1.72	2.02	2.19	2.47	2.81	2.92
Quick	Х	1.65	1.55	1.70	1.42	1.75	1.96	2.22	2.54	2.67
Activity Ratios		FY15A	FY16A	FY17A	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Receivables Days		41.10	49.00	44.06	92.10	73.94	73.94	73.94	73.94	73.94
Payables Days		121.78	148.91	159.27	375.30	379.98	438.03	388.13	373.70	389.71
Investment Ratios		FY15A	FY16A	FY17A	FY18A	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
DPS		40.00	35.00	40.00	42.50	50.00	50.00	46.38	55.08	50.60
Div. Yield	%	9.45	8.27	9.45	10.04	11.82	11.82	10.96	13.02	11.96
Dividend Cover	Х	0.74	0.73	0.85	0.94	1.19	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.15
Retention	%	-34.23	-37.34	-17.31	-5.97	15.88	13.33	13.33	13.33	13.33
Payout	%	134.23	137.34	117.31	105.97	84.12	86.67	86.67	86.67	86.67
No. of Shares	('m)	283.86	283.86	283.86	283.86	283.86	283.86	283.86	283.86	283.86
EPS		29.80	25.48	34.10	40.10	59.44	57.69	53.52	63.55	58.38
BVPS		114.02	106.23	110.96	115.44	134.12	143.56	151.25	158.38	166.86
P/E	Х	14.20	16.60	12.41	10.55	7.12	7.33	7.91	6.66	7.25
Sales per share		108.79	87.54	96.11	115.08	154.93	135.54	129.02	142.97	134.82
P/BV	Х	3.71	3.98	3.81	3.67	3.15	2.95	2.80	2.67	2.54
P/S	Х	3.89	4.83	4.40	3.68	2.73	3.12	3.28	2.96	3.14
Gearing Ratios		FY15A	FY16A	FY17A	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Total Debt to Equity	Х	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
L.T Debt to Equity	Х	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest Cover	Х	11.06	8.31	15.66	6.78	5.68	8.77	8.07	9.66	8.84

Source: ACPL Research, Company Financials

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EPS	Earnings Per Share	DPS	Dividend Per Share	ROE	Return of Equity
ROA	Return on Assets	SOTP	Sum of the Parts	LDCP	Last Day Closing Price

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