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J K Cement Ltd (HOLD - Maintained, TP: Rs5,500) - Strong execution-backed performance

Top Investment Idea

Money, **Military & Markets-XV** - Crude oil - The queen's gambit by Saudi satish.kumar@incredresearch.com

- OPEC's internal power struggle and Saudi Arabia's strategy are likely to keep global crude oil prices low, hurting Russia's economy
- Saudi Arabia, despite a high fiscal breakeven, is cushioned by strong reserves, FDI, and tourism, whereas countries like Qatar & Iran will face economic woes.
- India stands to gain from lower crude oil prices. Buy shares of oil marketing companies (OMCs) and defence sector companies.

What's in the news (Click on news for more information)

- Rakesh Gangwal may sell 3.4% in IndiGo for ₹6,831 crore via block deal
- · Nestle SA makes first India funding, buys stake in pet food brand
- Duty drawback on inputs used in export products shouldn't be denied
- PG Electroplast Block Deal: Promoter Gupta Family Offer Shares Worth Rs 1,177 Crore In Multibagger Stock
- India bright spot for growth amid global volatility: N Chandrasekaran

Expert speak

- Shenu Agarwal, MD & CEO Ashok Leyland
- Jayant Acharya, Director & MD JSW Steel
- Hitesh Doshi, Director Waaree Renewable Technologies
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- 4Q consol. EBITDA stood at ~Rs7.6bn, up ~37% yoy and ~12% above our expectation, led by improved realization, volume and a reduction in fuel costs.
- JKCE expects grey cement volume growth of ~11% in FY26F. Unit EBITDA improvement to be better than FY24 levels with cost-savings benefits.
- We raise EBITDA estimates by ~3-6% for FY26F-27F to reflect a quick recovery in pricing and costs. Retain HOLD rating with a higher TP of Rs5,500.



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Figure 1: Top Buys (All ADD Ratings)						
Company	Bloomberg Ticker	Market Capital (Rs bn)	Price	Target Price	Up/down (%)	Analyst Name
Large Cap						
HDFC Bank	HDFCB IN	14,858	1,940	2,200	13%	Meghna LUTHRA
Tata Consultancy Services	TCS IN	12,798	3,537	3,589	1%	Abhishek SHINDADKAR
Bajaj Finance Ltd	BAF IN	5,760	9,270	10,800	17%	Meghna LUTHRA
Maruti Suzuki	MSIL IN	3,905	12,421	13,621	10%	Pramod AMTHE
UltraTech Cement Ltd	UTCEM IN	3,445	11,689	13,550	16%	Nishant BAGRECHA
Axis Bank	AXSB IN	3,765	1,215	1,430	18%	Bhavik Shah
Adani Ports & Special Economic Zone Ltd	ADSEZ IN	3,025	1,400	1,457	4%	Rajarshi MAITRA
Bajaj Auto	BJAUT IN	2,502	8,959	10,590	18%	Pramod AMTHE
Shriram Finance Limited	SHFL IN	1,250	665	830	25%	Jignesh SHIAL
Cipla Ltd	CIPLA IN	1,199	1,484	1,680	13%	Yogesh SONI
Mid-cap						
Lupin Ltd	LPC IN	907	1,987	2,400	21%	Yogesh SONI
Marico Ltd	MRCO IN	922	711	750	5%	Rohan KALLE
UPL Limited	UPLL IN	514	632	1,289	104%	Satish KUMAR
Petronet LNG	PLNG IN	477	318	519	63%	Pratyush KAMAL
Container Corp of India Ltd	CCRI IN	452	742	970	31%	Rajarshi MAITRA
Small-cap						
Ajanta Pharma Ltd	AJP IN	324	2,592	3,100	20%	Yogesh SONI
Deepak Fertilisers & Petrochemicals Corp. Ltd.	DFPC IN	172	1,366	2,051	50%	Pratyush KAMAL
Birla Corporation Ltd	BCORP IN	108	1,405	1,530	9%	Nishant BAGRECHA
Ethos Limited	ETHOSLTD IN	68	2,783	3,400	22%	Rohan KALLE
Skipper Limited	SKIPPER IN	58	504	612	22%	Ishan VERMA
Thyrocare Technologies Ltd.	THYROCAR IN	54	1,016	1,010	-1%	Yogesh SONI
TCPL Packaging Ltd	TCPL IN	39	4,300	4,380	2%	Nishant BAGRECHA
Globus Spirits Ltd	GBSL IN	28	985	1,584	61%	Nitin AWASTHI
					SOURCES	S: INCRED RESEARCH, BLOOMBE

Figure 2: Top Sells (All REDUCE Ratings)						
Company	Bloomberg Ticker	Market Capital (Rs bn)	Price	Target Price	Up/down (%)	Analyst Name
Large Cap						
InterGlobe Aviation Ltd	INDIGO IN	2,095	5,420	3,030	-44%	Rajarshi MAITRA
Tata Steel	TATA IN	2,029	163	82	-50%	Satish KUMAR
Mid-cap						
Clean Science and Technology	CLEAN IN	151	1,425	683	-52%	Satish KUMAR
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Figure 3: Repor	t links	
Date	Analyst	Report Title
27 May 2025	Nishant Bagrecha	J K Cement Ltd - Strong execution-backed performance (HOLD-Maintained)
25 May 2025	Rajarshi Maitra	Astral Ltd Steady margin; expensive valuation (REDUCE-Maintained)
24 May 2025	Rajarshi Maitra	Container Corp of India Ltd - Keep the faith (ADD-Maintained)
24 May 2025	Nishant Bagrecha	Ramco Cements Ltd - Miss on all fronts; 1Q offers a sigh of relief (REDUCE-Downgrade)
24 May 2025	Pramod Amthe	Balkrishna Industries Ltd - Car tyre expansion is long-gestation project (REDUCE-Downgrade)
23 May 2025	Meghna Luthra	Financial Services - Overall - Softer credit card spending post festivities (Overweight-Maintained)
23 May 2025	Pramod Amthe	Ashok Leyland - EBITDA margin scales historic peak (ADD-Maintained)
22 May 2025	Yogesh Soni	Zydus Lifesciences - Navigating post-gRevlimid margin pressure (HOLD-Downgrade)
22 May 2025	Bhavik Shah	IndusInd Bank - New accounting lapses surprise negatively (HOLD-Maintained)
22 May 2025	Rohan Kalle	Colgate Palmolive India - Challenging environment expected to persist (HOLD-Maintained)
21 May 2025	Yogesh Soni	Torrent Pharmaceuticals Ltd - Long-term growth story intact (HOLD-Maintained)
19 May 2025	Satish Kumar	Strategy Note - Crude oil - The queen's gambit by Saudi
19 May 2025	Yogesh Soni	Lupin Ltd - Robust US launch pipeline to drive growth (ADD-Maintained)
19 May 2025	Pramod Amthe	SKF India Ltd - Demerger to unleash sales growth (ADD-Maintained)
18 May 2025	Yogesh Soni	Divi's Laboratories - Resilient growth; margin expansion (ADD-Maintained)
17 May 2025	Rohan Kalle	Emami Ltd - Emerges stronger with a refreshed portfolio (ADD-Maintained)
17 May 2025	Pramod Amthe	Hyundai Motor India - Seasonal one-offs aid 4Q performance (REDUCE-Maintained)
17 May 2025	Bhavik Shah	IndusInd Bank - Revisiting estimates post accounting lapses (HOLD-Maintained)
16 May 2025	Pramod Amthe	Endurance Technologies Ltd - Margin recovery provides comfort (ADD-Maintained)
15 May 2025	Yogesh Soni	Metropolis Healthcare Ltd Enters post-investment era (ADD-Maintained)

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27 May 2025	Niharika Agarwal	OneSource (UNRATED): Powers Global GLP-1 Demand with India's Most Advanced Assembly Network
26 May 2025	Rajarshi Maitra	Finolex Industries 4QFY25: Tepid result, but qoq improvement is encouraging
25 May 2025	Satish Kumar	Camlin fine sciences - Vanillin - Expect Indian export prices to rise to US\$20/kg by H2 FY26F
25 May 2025	Ishan Verma	NTPC Ltd - 4QFY25: Steady growth with strong pipeline
24 May 2025	Satish Kumar	Camlin Fine Sciences - The company is firmly on track to achieve EBITDA in excess of ₹400 crore in FY26F
24 May 2025	Nishant Bagrecha	JK Cement / Cement - Profitability shines with strong vol and cost savings
24 May 2025	Satish Kumar	JSW Steel - Consensus estimates are like Pakistan DGISPR's claims of Indian war damage—exaggerated and detached from reality
23 May 2025	Pramod Amthe	Timken India - 4QFY25 Results First Cut
21 May 2025	Satish Kumar	Laxmi Organic Industries Ltd - Q4FY25 & FY25 First cut
20 May 2025	Pratyush Kamal	GUJARAT GAS - Q4FY25 Results First Cut
20 May 2025	Satish Kumar	Hindalco Industries Ltd - Q4FY25 & FY25 First cut
20 May 2025	Rajarshi Maitra	IRB Infra 4QFY25 - Slim OB, tepid toll collection
20 May 2025	Pratyush Kamal	PETRONET LNG - Q4FY25 Results First Cut
20 May 2025	Satish Kumar	PI Industries Ltd - Q4FY25 & FY25 First cut
19 May 2025	Nitin Awasthi	Ethanol Sector - India Weighs Ethanol Imports Amid US Pressure, but Blending Shield Remains
19 May 2025	Nitin Awasthi	Globus Spirits Ltd - Turnaround Delivered Amid Revamp-Linked Constraints; Margins Expand Sharply
17 May 2025	Rajarshi Maitra	Delhivery 4QFY25 - Stuttering growth & EBT loss (adj. for change in depreciation policy); weak core express segment
16 May 2025	Ishan Verma	Kalpataru Projects - 4QFY25 First Cut: Strong execution amid margin challenges
16 May 2025	Nitin Awasthi	Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd 4QFY25 Result: First Cut
16 May 2025	Rajarshi Maitra	NCC 4QFY25 - Tepid result and guidance (all in-line with our estimates)



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