

Indonesia Sector Update

10 December 2018

Indonesia Cement

Consolidation In Progress; Upgrade To OVERWEIGHT

We upgrade the sector to OVERWEIGHT from Neutral, Top Pick: SMGR. Consolidation in the industry is likely in progress, indicated by the sale of majority stakes in Holcim Indonesia and Semen Panasia. Cement makers started to increase ASPs to partially pass on higher costs. In 2019, the overcapacity scenario is likely to be sustained. However, unutilised production capacity may decline. We expect the FY19F earnings growth of the domestic cement companies under our universe to turn around to 17% YoY (FY18F: -11% YoY), thanks to higher sales volumes and ASPs.

Earnings to accelerate in 2019. We believe the Indonesian cement companies' earnings growth will turn positive in FY19, driven by higher ASPs. This is because the majority have started increasing prices to partially pass on higher costs in 3Q18. We believe this ASP increase will continue in 2019.

Industry consolidation in progress. We believe the majority of the new cement companies – which are selling cement at lower ASPs – are operating at a cash loss. They need to increase ASP to boost cash flow when they begin paying principal loan instalments. Consolidation seems imminent, in which newcomers actively look for buyers for their assets. This consolidation will clearly improve the pricing in the market. In October, two cement companies announced the sales of their majority stakes: Holcim Indonesia and Semen Panasia.

Expect demand growth to accelerate with slower capacity expansion. In 2019, we expect domestic cement demand to grow 7% YoY (+5m tonnes). On the flip side, capacity expanded by just 2% YoY (+2m tonnes). This is likely to cause unutilised cement production capacity to decline to 37m tonnes in FY19 (FY18F: 39m tonnes) – this rate is likely to decline to 32.7% from 35.8%. Although coming in lower, the national unutilised capacity remains high – especially for new cement makers. Post our talk with the cement players, we noted that, for a plant to be efficient, it has to run at minimum 80% capacity utilisation.

Indonesia cement EBIT margins lower than Chinese cement companies. Although slightly increased from its bottom in 2Q18, in our calculation, Indonesian cement players' 9M18 EBIT margins averaged a mere 9.4%, much lower than Chinese companies during the same period (22.7%). This makes investment in Indonesia's cement sector not as attractive as it was in 2014, when EBIT margins achieved 27-30%. This lower margin is likely the main reason for the recent slower expansion in the domestic cement industry.

Cement makers continue to increase ASPs. Indocement Tunggal Prakarsa (INTP) increased ASPs in July, August, and September in Java by 5-7% for bag, bulk (mainly the *Tiga Roda* brand), and to a certain extent, the *Rajawali* brand. ASP rose by an additional 2% in October across Java. Semen Indonesia (SMGR) started increasing ASPs at the start of 2018, earlier than INTP. SMGR's management said it continued to increase ASPs in October. These selling price hikes were partially to pass on higher costs.

Risks to our call: We believe FY19F cement demand growth is likely to be driven by the infrastructure sector. At the same time, there may still be headwinds in the property industry from higher interest rates, which led to elevated mortgage costs. The downside risk is increased production costs, which were driven by higher energy costs, especially coal. Although cement sales were cyclically high in 2H, we expect the overcapacity in the domestic cement market to be sustained in 2019.

Company Name	Rating	Price	TP	% Upside (Downside)	P/E (X) Dec-19F	P/B (X) Dec-19F	Yield (%) Dec-19F
Semen Indonesia	BUY	11,875	14,500	22.1	23.6	1.8	1.5
Indocement Tunggal Prakarsa	SELL	20,700	11,400	-44.9	36.7	3.1	1.9
Holcim Indonesia	Not Rated	1,835	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Semen Baturaja	Not Rated	1,920	N/A	N/A	348.2	5.3	0.1

Source: Company data, RHB; as at 7 Dec 2018

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Overweight (from Neutral)

Stocks Covered: 2
Ratings (Buy/Neutral/Sell): 1 / 0 / 1
Last 12m Earnings Revision Trend: Positive

Top PicksSemen Indonesia (SMGR IJ) – BUY

Target Price IDR14,500

National capacity and un-utilisation rate



Source: The Indonesia Cement Association. RHB

EBIT margin: Indonesia vs Chinese cement firms



Source: Company data, RHB

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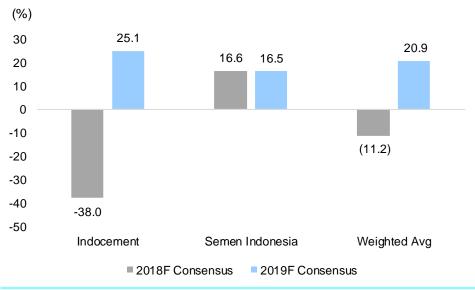
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FY19F earnings growth likely to accelerate

We see Indonesia cement companies' FY19F earnings growth turning positive, likely driven by higher ASPs. This is because the majority of the cement firms started increasing ASPs to partially pass on higher costs in 3Q18.

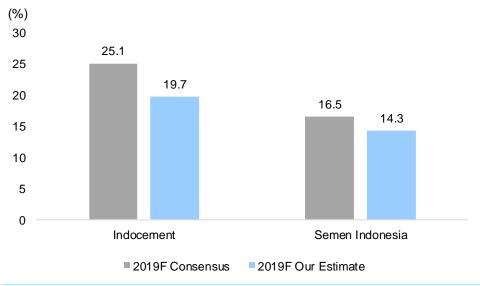
We believe this ASP increase will continue in 2019. In addition, sales volume is likely to increase, driven by accelerated infrastructure projects.

Figure 1: 2019F vs 2018F earnings growth - Street estimate



Source: Bloomberg

Figure 2: 2019F earnings growth – Street vs our forecast



Source: Company data, RHB

- Our estimates are more bearish than the Street's. We believe the acceleration in cement demand is still followed by overcapacity
- However, we expect the overcapacity rate to be lower in 2019 and 2020 when compared to 2018



Industry consolidation in progress

Currently, we believe the bulk of the new cement companies – which are selling their cement at lower ASPs – are operating at a cash loss. They need to increase ASP to boost cash flow when they begin to pay principal loan instalments.

The consolidation phase has begun, where newcomers actively look for buyers of their assets. This consolidation will clearly improve the pricing in the market. In October, two cement companies announced sales of their majority stakes: Holcim Indonesia and Semen Panasia. SMGR is the buyer of a 80.6% stake in Holcim Indonesia, while Lintang Sapta Lestari – likely related to the Salim Group – is the buyer of Semen Panasia.

Indonesia cement companies' EBIT margins are lower than their Chinese counterparts'. Although slightly increased from its bottom in 2Q18, in our calculation, Indonesian cement players' 9M18 EBIT margins averaged just 9.4%, much lower than that of the Chinese cement firms, which had margins that averaged 22.7% during the same period.

This situation makes investment in Indonesia's cement sector not as attractive vis-à-vis 2014, when EBIT margins were at 27-30%. This lower margin is likely the main reason behind the recent slower expansion in the domestic cement industry.

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Figure 3: EBIT margins for Indonesia and China cement companies

Source: Company data, RHB

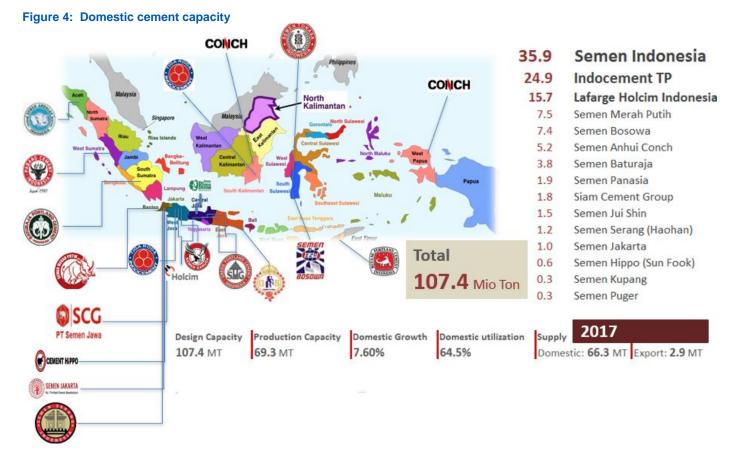
Domestic cement capacity

As at 2017, national cement production capacity stood at 101m tonnes per year (c.64.5% utilisation). SMGR had the largest production capacity - 35.9m tonnes pa - with 33.4% capacity share.

Indonesian cement players tend to focus on the Java market. There are at least 10 cement companies with production facilities on the island vs other areas like Sumatra (three cement companies with production facilities) and Kalimantan (two cement companies with manufacturing plants).

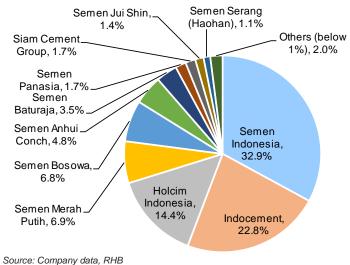
The largest contributor to domestic cement sales in 10M18 came from Java, with 32.1m tonnes (+4.4% YoY) vs Sumatra's 12.3m tonnes (+6.5% YoY) during the same period. Java's domestic cement sales contributed 56.2% of total national cement sales in 10M18. On the other hand, Kalimantan saw the highest growth in domestic sales: 3.6m tonnes (+8.2% YoY) during the same period.





Source: Company data, RHB

Figure 5: Indonesia cement companies - capacity shares



◆ The three largest players in Indonesia's cement industry – based on total capacity share – are SMGR (33%), INTP (23%), and Holcim Indonesia (14%)

Domestic cement capacity vs demand

We believe domestic demand is likely to grow 7% YoY in FY19 and FY20. As per our discussions with the cement companies, bulk cement still dominates demand for national cement. This indicates that demand is still driven by the infrastructure and industrial sectors.

We also see the gap between the national demand and capacity. Consequently the overcapacity scenario is likely to be sustained through 2019. However, the overcapacity rate will likely be lower in FY19-20, as growth in demand should outpace capacity growth. We expect the national capacity to grow 3% YoY and 0.8% YoY in FY19-20.

Although it has come lower, un-utilised capacity is still at high levels. Based on our talks with cement players, we note that, to be efficient, a cement plant needs to run at a minimum capacity utilisation rate of 80%. We also note that in FY19-20, the national utilisation rate is still expected to be at 67% and 72%.

Figure 6: Domestic cement demand vs capacity

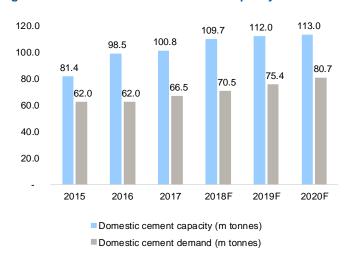


Figure 7: National over capacity and its un-utilisation rate



Source: Bloomberg, RHB

Two largest players' market share movements

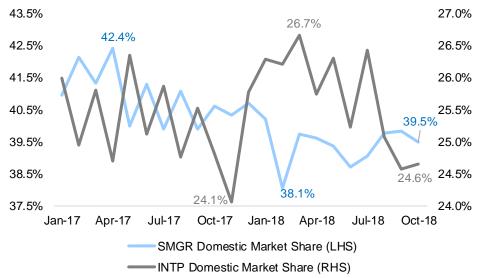
Source: Bloomberg, RHB

The two largest players in Indonesia's cement industry are SMGR and INTP. Together, they make up to 64% of domestic market share as at Oct 2018: SMGR has a 39.5% market share, while INTP's is 24.6%. We note that Holcim Indonesia's domestic market share in Oct 2018 was c.13%.

We believe industry consolidation is currently in progress, and started with the acquisition of Holcim Indonesia by SMGR. This acquisition will likely change the competitive landscape of the local cement industry. Post-acquisition, SMGR should dominate the market with c.53% market share.



Figure 8: SMGR and INTP's monthly market shares



As at Oct 2018, SMGR still dominates the market with a 39.5% share, despite the 33% capacity share in the same period

Source: Company data, RHB

Figure 9: National cement sales in Oct 2018

('000 tonnes)	Oct-17	Sep-18	Oct-18	Chg MoM	Chg YoY	10M17	10M18	Chg YoY
National	7,027	7,250	7,648	5.5%	8.8%	56,473	61,515	8.9%
Domestic	6,754	6,771	7,188	6.2%	6.4%	54,186	56,949	5.1%
Export	273	479	460	-3.9%	68.9%	2,287	4,567	99.7%
Semen Indonesia	2,917	2,919	3,159	8.2%	8.3%	23,835	25,001	4.9%
Domestic	2,772	2,696	2,837	5.3%	2.4%	22,165	22,459	1.3%
Export	145	224	322	43.8%	121.7%	1,670	2,542	52.2%
Domestic market shares	41.0%	39.8%	39.5%			40.9%	39.4%	
Overseas: TLCC	224	169	229	35.5%	2.0%	1,960	2,143	9.3%
Vietnam market	154	134	180	33.7%	16.4%	1,555	1,405	-9.7%
Export	70	34	49	42.6%	-29.8%	405	738	82.3%
Total Group	3,142	3,088	3,388	9.7%	7.8%	25,796	27,145	5.2%
Indocement	1,675	1,689	1,772	4.9%	5.8%	13,815	14,642	6.0%
Domestic	1,675	1,663	1,772	6.5%	5.8%	13,758	14,616	6.2%
Export	-	25	-	N/A	N/A	57	25	-55.5%
Domestic market shares	24.8%	24.6%	24.6%			25.4%	25.7%	

Source: The Indonesia Cement Association, RHB

Figure 10: Domestic cement sales breakdown - by region

('000 tonnes)	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18	Apr-18	May-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	10M17	10M18	YoY (%)
Jakarta	479	466	422	430	383	400	387	401	182	393	412	446	439	4,009	3,872	-3.4%
Banten	331	318	287	276	237	249	281	273	134	302	326	349	407	2,583	2,835	9.8%
West Java	965	935	849	842	679	762	771	852	463	971	980	1,020	1,100	7,834	8,440	7.7%
Central Java	929	870	801	788	593	718	755	878	464	995	983	1,009	1,022	7,454	8,206	10.1%
Yogyakarta	116	94	86	86	79	81	89	102	57	108	111	110	133	916	954	4.2%
East Java	926	879	750	772	682	728	744	767	416	871	875	909	985	7,912	7,750	-2.1%
Java	3,745	3,563	3,194	3,195	2,654	2,938	3,027	3,273	1,715	3,639	3,686	3,843	4,087	30,708	32,057	4.4%
Sumatra	1,494	1,402	1,307	1,217	1,059	1,157	1,153	1,185	710	1,356	1,425	1,467	1,532	11,512	12,262	6.5%
Kalimantan	435	404	380	350	344	334	341	374	226	362	411	417	451	3,337	3,612	8.2%
Sulawesi	527	494	458	484	381	407	429	406	322	518	521	562	558	4,369	4,588	5.0%
Nusa Tenggara	389	349	305	288	252	254	285	328	265	404	353	348	392	3,076	3,169	3.0%
Maluku & Papua	164	154	154	161	131	115	103	105	78	133	135	133	167	1,215	1,264	4.0%
Total domestic	6.754	6.365	5.798	5.696	4.821	5.205	5.337	5.671	3.317	6.413	6.532	6.771	7.188	54.186	56.948	5.1%

Source: The Indonesia Cement Association, RHB



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Valuation comparison

SMGR is currently trading at FY19F rolling forward P/E of 26.2x (around 1.5SD above its 5-year mean) and 1.8x rolling forward P/BV. The cement stock is currently the cheapest in terms of P/E and P/BV valuations when compared to its peers. It also has the highest ROE offered (FY19F: 8.1%) with 1.5% FY19F yield.

INTP is currently trading at 51.8x FY19F rolling forward P/E, or around 1.5SD above its 5-year mean. It is also trading at 3x FY19F rolling forward P/BV. The company offers FY19F ROE of 5.8% and 2% yield – the highest when compared to its peers.

Figure 11: SMGR's forward-rolling P/Es



Note: Data as at 7 Dec 2018 Source: Bloomberg

Figure 12: INTP's forward-rolling P/Es



Note: Data as at 7 Dec 2018 Source: Bloomberg

Figure 13: Peer comparison I - Indonesia cement companies

Name	BBG	Rating	Price	TP	Upside/	Market	et EPS Growth			PER		PBV			
	Ticker				Downside	Cap	Cap FY18F	FY19F	FY20F	FY18F	FY19F	FY20F	FY18F	FY19F	FY20F
			(IDR)	(IDR)	(%)	(USDm)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)
Semen Indonesia	SMGR IJ	BUY	11,875	14,500	22.1	4,851	30.1	14.3	16.9	26.9	23.6	20.2	2.0	1.8	1.6
Indocement Tunggal Prakarsa	INTP IJ	SELL	20,700	11,400	-44.9	5,248	-12.8	19.7	17.7	43.9	36.7	31.2	3.2	3.1	3.0
Holcim Indonesia	SMCB IJ	NR	1,835	N/A	N/A	968	-4.7	43.7	77.2	N/A	N/A	N/A	2.1	2.2	2.2
Semen Baturaja	SMBR IJ	NR	1,920	N/A	N/A	1,313	-63.3	0.0	45.5	349.1	345.5	240.0	5.4	5.3	5.2
Sector Weighted Average						12,382	-0.7	17.4	25.0	66.2	61.4	46.6	2.9	2.7	2.6

Note: Data is as at 7 Dec 2018 Source: Bloomberg, RHB

Figure 14: Peer comparison II - Indonesia cement companies

Name			Yield		ROE				
	FY18F	FY19F	FY20F	FY18F	FY19F	FY20F	FY18F	FY19F	FY20F
	(x)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Semen Indonesia	0.9	1.6	1.2	1.1	1.5	1.7	6.9	8.1	8.1
Indocement Tunggal Prakarsa	-3.4	1.9	1.8	3.4	1.9	2.3	7.1	5.8	6.1
Holcim Indonesia	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-9.8	-6.3	-2.1
Semen Baturaja	-5.5	N/A	5.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	1.6	1.6	2.3
Sector Weighted Average	-1.7	1.4	1.8	1.9	1.4	1.7	5.1	5.3	5.9

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