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Mahakaleshwar Infratech Private Limited

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Ratings

SI. No.	Instrument/Facility	Amount (Rs. Crore)	Ratings	Rating Action
1.	Long Term Bank Facilities	70.00	IVR BBB-/ Stable (IVR Triple B Minus with Stable Outlook)	Assigned
	Total	70.00		

Details of Facilities are in Annexure 1

Detailed Rationale

The rating assigned to the bank facilities of **Mahakaleshwar Infratech Private Limited** draws comfort from its experienced promoters and top Management, Reputed Clients and Growing scale of operations with Strong credit metrics. However, these rating strengths are partially offset by its Tender-based nature of operations, intense competition in the industry and geographical concentration risk. The Rating also considers the Strong order book position of the firm reflecting satisfactory medium-term revenue visibility.

Key Rating Sensitivities:

Upward Factor:

- Increase in total operating income along with a strong order book going into the future
- Maintaining the debt protection metrics with increase in working capital requirements

Downward factor:

- Decline in profitability levels thereby impacting company's debt coverage indicators.
- Loss of projects or increase in execution time resulting in slower revenue realization

List of Key Rating Drivers with Detailed Description



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Key Rating Strengths

Experienced Management and Long-standing Relationships with the clients

Mahakaleshwar Infratech Private Limited is promoted by Mr. Anuj Singh who has a long-standing experience in construction and infrastructure of almost 25 years. Mr. Anuj Singh started civil and road works in the year 2005 when he founded M/s Mahakaleshwar Construction through contracts from the Government of Uttar Pradesh. He has consistently maintained good relations with the various government clients which can be seen for the fact that the company has been getting repeated orders.

Strong order book and Client Profile

The company has a very strong order book considering the scale of operations and the long history of the company. The current order-book comprising worth (current value of projects remaining) ~ 98.57 Cr. from various PWD departments of both Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh represents the trust the clients have in the expertise of the company. As can be seen from the current order book, majority of the clients are various PWDs and other government entities.

Strong Credit profile

The total outside liabilities to tangible net worth (TOL/TNW) ratio improved to 1.58 times as on 31 March, 2020 (from 2.09 times as on 31 March, 2018), largely on account of retention of profits. The company has net worth of Rs. 20.23 Cr as at 31 March, 2020. MIPL shows healthy profitability with a PAT margin of 5.32% and EBITDA margin of 9.18%. The debt metrics have improved over the last 3 years with the company being able to generate enough surplus to repay the obligations on a timely basis.

Key Rating Weaknesses

Competitive and Fragmented Nature of the industry

The Road Construction EPC industry is highly competitive with a large number of small players that cater to the local demand. To reach economies of scale and have a larger market share, the company has to continuously invest in expanding facilities. Modest scale of operations along with intense competition restricts the pricing flexibility of MIPL. The modest scale of operations amid intense competition is expected to restrict MIPL's pricing and bargaining power over the medium term. As the company operates in the EPC business of Road Construction, the bids have to be priced conveniently so as to be competitive enough.

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Geographical Concentration Risk

As can be seen from most of the orders of the company i.e., both past and present, majority are concentrated in and around the state of Uttar Pradesh. This puts the company in a risky position if there is some widespread government regulation that puts a restriction on the construction activities or bidding processes.

Analytical Approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria:

Rating Methodology for Infrastructure Companies
Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-financial Sector)

Liquidity - Adequate

Mahakaleshwar Infratech Private Limited had a GCA of Rs. 11.29 crore in FY20 as against its repayment obligation of Rs. 4.62 crore. The company has a Current Ratio of 3.23x as of March 31, 2020. The free cash & cash equivalent was Rs. 1.22 Crore as on March 31, 2020. Liquidity is expected to remain Adequate.

About the Company

Mahakaleshwar Infratech Private Limited is an integrated Road EPC company having expertise in design and construction of various projects constructed in Uttar Pradesh. The primary business operations are divided into 2 categories which are mainly road construction and bitumen processing. The company was incorporated on April 06, 2015 before which it was a sole-proprietorship from 2005. The company usually executes majority of its projects on an independent basis, but if the project requires some specific experience or expertise, the company does enter into partnerships or consortiums with other construction companies.

The firm works as a class A contractor for the development of infrastructure projects, including roads, bridges, national highways etc.

Financials (Standalone):

(Rs. crore)

For the year ended*/As on	31-03-2019	31-03-2020	
	Audited	Audited	
Total Operating Income	85.11	111.29	
EBITDA	11.02	10.22	
PAT	3.85	6.23	



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Total Debt	21.60	28.27
Tangible Net worth	14.07	20.23
EBITDA Margin (%)	12.99	9.18
PAT Margin (%)	4.38	5.32
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	1.54	1.40

^{*}Classification as per Infomerics' standards

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: Nil

Rating History for last three years:

Sr.	Name of	Current Rating (Year 2020-21)			Rating History for the past 3 years			
No.	Instrument/Facili ties	Type	Amount outstanding (Rs. Crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2019-20	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2018-19	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2017-18	
1.	Bank Guarantee	Long Term	67.80	IVR BBB-/ Stable	-	-		
2.	Over Draft	Long Term	2.20	IVR BBB-/ Stable	-	-	-	

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument: Infomerics has classified instruments rated by it on the basis of complexity and a note thereon is available at www.infomerics.com.

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Annexure 1: Details of Facilities

Name of Facility	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Long Term Bank Facility – Over Draft	-		-	2.20	IVR BBB-/ Stable
Long Term Bank Facility- Bank Guarantee	-	-	-	67.80	IVR BBB-/ Stable

Annexure 2: facility wise lender details(Hyperlink to be added)

https://www.infomerics.com/admin/prfiles/Lender-Mahakaleshwar-Infratech-Private-Limited-04-jan-21-.pdf