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Unique Infra Engineering India Private Limited (UIEIPL)

February 19, 2025

Ratings

Instrument / Facility	Amount	Current	Previous	Rating Action	Complexity
	(Rs. crore)	Ratings	Ratings		<u>Indicator</u>
Long Term Bank	54.95	IVR BBB-/ Stable	IVR BBB-/ Stable	Rating	Simple
Facilities- Cash		(IVR Triple B Minus	(IVR Triple B Minus	Reaffirmed	
Credit		with Stable Outlook)	with Stable Outlook)		
Long Term Bank Facilities- Term Loan	7.05	IVR BBB-/Stable	IVR BBB-/ Stable	Rating	Simple
racilities- Term Loan		and Withdrawn	(IVR Triple B Minus	Reaffirmed & Withdrawn	
		(IVR Triple B Minus	with Stable Outlook)	withdrawn	
		with Stable Outlook and Withdrawn)			
Proposed Long Term	0.45	IVR BBB-/ Stable	IVR BBB-/ Stable	Rating	Simple
Facilities- Cash		(IVR Triple B Minus	(IVR Triple B Minus	Reaffirmed	-
Credit		with Stable Outlook)	with Stable Outlook)		
Short Term Bank	56.05	IVR A3	IVR A3	Rating	Simple
Facilities		(IVR A Three)	(IVR A Three)	Reaffirmed	
Total	118.50		00		
		One Hundred			
	Eighteen	Crore and Fifty	4		
	Lakhs Or	nly)			

Details of Facilities/Instruments are in Annexure 1. Facility wise lender details are at Annexure 2. Detailed explanation of covenants is at Annexure 3.

Detailed Rationale

Infomerics Ratings has reaffirmed its rating assigned to the bank facilities of Unique Infra Engineering India Private Limited (UIEIPL). The ratings derive strength from increase in topline along with improved profitability, comfortable capital structure and debt protection metrics and healthy order book. However, these ratings are constrained due to exposure to intense competition in the EPC contracting industry entailing inherent risks in the form of slowdown in capex by the government of private sector, delays in payment by clients, and delays in execution due to extraneous factors. Additionally, revenue visibility is dependent on successful bidding in tenders which entails significant degree of uncertainty.

The ratings have been assigned a stable outlook as the Company's business and financial risk profile is expected to be maintained over the medium term. The company's revenue and margins are expected to remain stable and grow further in the projected period



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Infomerics Ratings has simultaneously withdrawn the rating of the outstanding Term Loan worth Rs. 7.05 crore based on the request letter from the company and No objection certificate received from Union Bank Of India dated February 07, 2025, The rating withdrawn is in line with Infomerics' policy on withdrawal of ratings.

Key Rating Sensitivities:

Upward Factors

- Growth in scale of operation with improvement in profit margins leading to improvement in cash accruals on sustained basis.
- Increase in order book and timely execution of the same

Downward Factors

- Decline in operating income and profitability.
- Substantial decline in execution of work orders.
- Stretch in the working capital cycle negatively impacting liquidity position.

List of Key Rating Drivers with Detailed Description

Key Rating Strengths

- Increase in topline along with improved profitability The total operating income improved to Rs. 313.13 crore in FY24 (refers to the period April 01, 2023, to March 31 2024) from Rs. 294.03 crore in FY23. Simultaneously, the EBITDA of the company improved to Rs 47.37 crore in FY24 from Rs 41.61 crore in FY23 and the PAT of the company stood improved to Rs 20.19 crore in FY24 from Rs 18.22 crore in FY23. The company has achieved revenues to the tune of Rs 99.81 crore for a period from April 24 to December 24 as informed by the management of the company.
- Comfortable capital structure and debt protection metrics The capital structure of the company weakened in FY24 yet remained comfortable marked by an overall gearing of 1.22x as on March 31, 2024 (weakening from 0.77x as on March 31, 2023) due to increase in total debt from 45.52 crore in FY23 to Rs. 96.47 crore in FY24. The increase was driven mainly by working capital bank borrowings which stood at Rs.66.86cr as at end



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FY24 (Rs.22.30cr as at end FY23). The net worth of the company stood at Rs.78.88 crore in FY 2024 as compared to Rs.58.79 crore in FY 2023. The debt service coverage ratio (DSCR) of the company remained moderate at 1.84x in FY2024.

• Healthy Order book - The firm has unexecuted order book of Rs 1579.11 crores as on December 2024 which is executable in upcoming 12-18 months which provides healthy revenue visibility over short- medium term. The current order book has a concentration of medical infrastructure projects from the Rajasthan comprising medical colleges and hospitals, where the funding is secured from state government (40%) as well as the central government (60%). Out of total order book ~60% of order book consist of construction of medical colleges and hospitals.

Key Rating Weaknesses

- Exposure to competitive segment and inherent risk in nature of business- Intense rivalry, many participants, and low entry barriers are characteristics of the EPC contracting industry. Additionally, the fierce competition in this market may lead to aggressive project bidding, which would affect the company's profit margins. The primary business risks faced by any company in the sector include economic downturns leading to lower capex by corporates, slowdown in government spending, delays in government payments, project execution risk (including delays in land acquisition) and variable input costs.
- Tender-based nature of operations with intense competition in the industry -The domestic infrastructure/construction market is extremely competitive, with many competitors of all sizes and skill levels present. Additionally, the company derives 90% of its work orders from government departments via tenders put forth by the departments and the size of its order book is based on its success in winning these tenders amid fierce pricing competition. Due to the competitive nature of the industry, the company's profit margin may be under pressure.

Analytical Approach: Standalone



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Applicable Criteria:

Rating Methodology for Infrastructure Companies.

Criteria on assigning rating outlook

Policy on Default Recognition and Post-Default Curing Period

Complexity Level of Rated Instruments/Facilities

Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-Financial Sector).

Policy on withdrawal of ratings

Liquidity - Adequate

The liquidity of the company is expected to remain adequate in the near to medium term with sufficient accruals in the range of Rs.41.84 crore to Rs.54.76 crore in the projected period FY25-27 to meet the term debt repayment of Rs.7.00 crore to Rs.8.50 crore in the similar period. The current ratio remained comfortable at 1.56x as on March 31, 2024. The average monthly fund based working capital utilization of the company stood at 67.94% for the past 12 months period ended January 2025 indicating moderate liquidity cushion. The company's free cash and bank balance stood at Rs. 1.44 Crore as of March 2024.

About the Company

Unique Infra Engineering India Pvt. Ltd. (UIEIPL) is a registered Company under the Indian Companies Act which was founded in the year 1999, in Udaipur, Rajasthan. The business was originally founded by Mr. R.S. Yadav in the year 1994 as a partnership firm in the name of M/s Unique Engineers. UIEIPL is currently directly owned by Chetanya Yadav and Atul Yadav, sons of Mr.R.S.Yadav, who have 50% stake each.



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Financials (Standalone):

(Rs. crore)

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For the year ended/ As on*	31-03-2023	31-03-2024		
	Audited	Audited		
Total Operating Income	294.03	313.13		
EBITDA	41.61	47.37		
PAT	18.22	20.19		
Total Debt	45.52	96.47		
Tangible Net Worth	58.79	78.88		
EBITDA Margin (%)	14.15	15.13		
PAT Margin (%)	6.19	6.43		
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	0.77	1.22		
Interest Coverage (x)	3.23	2.97		

^{*} Classification as per Infomerics' standards.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Nil

Any other information: Nil

Rating History for last three years:

Sr.	Name of	Current Ratings (2024-2025)			Rating History for the past 3 years		
No.	Security/Facilities	Type (Long Term/Short Term)	Amount outstanding (Rs. Crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2023-2024	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in T-2	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in in T-3
					Date	Date (Month	Date (Month
					(December 20, 2023)	XX, 20XX)	XX, 20XX)
1.	Cash Credit	Long Term	54.95	IVR BBB- /Stable	IVR BBB-/ Stable	-	-
2.	Term Loan	Long Term	7.05	IVR BBB- /Stable & Withdraw n	IVR BBB-/ Stable	-	-
3.	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	0.45	IVR BBB- /Stable	IVR BBB- /Stable		
4.	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	56.05	IVR A3	IVR A3	-	-

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Annexure 1: Instrument/Facility Details

Name of Facility/ /Security	ISIN	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Cash Credit	-	-	-	-	54.95	IVR BBB-/Stable
Term Loan	-	-	-	-	7.05	IVR BBB-/Stable & Withdrawn
Proposed Cash Credit	-	-	-	-	0.45	IVR BBB-/Stable
Bank Guarantee	-	-	-	-	56.05	IVR A3

Annexure 2: Facility wise lender details:

https://www.infomerics.com/admin/prfiles/Len-Unique-Infra-Engi-19feb25.pdf

Annexure 3: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated Security/facilities: Not Applicable

Name of the Security	Detailed Explanation			
Financial Covenant				
i.				
ii.				
Non-financial Covenant				
i.				
ii.				

Annexure 4: List of companies considered for consolidated/Combined analysis: Not Applicable

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