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Habitat Micro Build India Housing Finance Company Pvt Ltd (MBIND)

September 1st, 2022

Ratings

Instruments	Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Ratings	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator
Proposed Long Term Fund Based Bank Facility – Term Loan	10.00	IVR BB+/Negative Outlook (IVR Double B Plus with Negative Outlook) and Withdrawn	Reaffirmed; and Withdrawn*	Simple
Total	10.00			

^{*}The company has not availed the debt facilities as envisaged.

Details of instruments are in Annexure 1

Rating Action

Infomerics Valuation and Rating Private Limited has reaffirmed & withdrawn the ratings of 'IVR BB+/Negative Outlook (IVR Double B Plus with Negative Outlook) assigned to the Proposed Bank Facilities of Habitat Micro Build India Housing Finance Company Pvt Ltd with immediate effect as per the company's request vide e-mail/letter dated August 5, 2022.

Detailed Rationale

The rating is withdrawn in accordance with Infomerics' policy on withdrawal of ratings.

The aforesaid rating assigned to the bank facilities of Habitat Micro Build India Housing Finance Company Pvt Ltd continues to derive comfort from their experienced management team along with strong investor support, portfolio diversification and low reliance on external debt. However, the rating strengths are partially offset by moderate scale of operations, decline in level of profitability and moderate asset quality.

Key Rating Drivers with detailed description

Key Rating Strengths

Experienced management team along with Strong investor support

MBIND is promoted by Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI), Mr. Radhakishan Damani (promoter of Avenue Supermarts Ltd) and ASK Group. MBIND enjoys strong support from parent by way of continues management guidance. MBIND's board of directors has 2 representatives from HFHI, Mr. Radhakishan Damani and ASK Group. It consists of members



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with rich experience in the areas of microfinance, global affordable housing, banking and financial services, taxation, audit and retail sectors.

Portfolio Diversification

MBIND's portfolio remained concentrated in the wholesale segment till FY21 however the same got diversified in FY22 on the basis of RBI guideline directed for the company for increasing the portfolio base towards retail lending.

Low reliance on external debt

The company had a sizeable Networth base ~INR63.65 Crore as on FY22 (FY21: INR63.64 Crore) with fairly low leverage marked by an overall gearing ratio standing nil as on March 31, 2022 and below 0.08x as on March 31, 2021. This provides the company with adequate financial flexibility to raise resources for its retail as well as wholesale portfolio. Moreover, MBIND's capital adequacy ratio (CAR) was ~93.49% in FY22 which is well above the minimum regulatory requirement as the company has adopted a conservative borrowing policy.

Key Rating Weaknesses

Moderate scale of operations

The company's scale remains small with a portfolio size of ~INR66.99 Crore as on March 31, 2022 and ~INR53.96 Crore as on March 31, 2021.. MBIND is targeting to achieve the portfolio size of around INR134.00 crores in the next 3 years ending FY25 by concentrating more towards retails lending base. Further, the seasoning of the retail book in the projected period will be key rating factor.

Decline in level of profitability

In FY20, the profitability of the company increased along with increase in operating income. However, in FY21 the same got decline with the write-off made by the company amounting to ~INR5.63 Crore on account of default by its one of the customers and which further declined in FY22 with the 3 accounts recognised under NPA category, although in respect of the same the company has made adequate amount of provisioning. Moreover, out of the three NPA accounts in FY22, recovery process is under way for the two accounts, the collection efficiency 3 in respect of these accounts will be key monitorable factor. The amount involved in case of



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three accounts amounts to ~INR6.70 Crore, which was nearly ~10% of the total AUM of FY22. Overall PAT of the company stood at INR0.10 Crore in FY22 as compared to INR0.03 Crore in FY21.

Moderate Asset Quality

In fiscal 2022, asset quality witnessed a sharp deterioration. The overall GNPA stood at 11.62% in FY22 as compared to 4.94% in FY21 and NNPA stood at 6.20% in FY22 as compared to 3.59% in FY21. Now in order to improve the same along with complying with the regulatory requirements the management has reduced the whole portfolio to around 50%. The balance is the retail portfolio

Analytical Approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria:

Rating Methodology for Financial Institutions/NBFCs Policy on Withdrawal of ratings Criteria on outlook

Liquidity: Adequate

MBIND overall liquidity profile remains adequate with no negative cumulative mismatches in the near to medium term as per the ALM ending March 31st, 2022 along with the nominal amount of long term debt repayment obligation. The company maintains cash and cash equivalents of about ~INR1.13 Crore as on March 31, 2022. Further, given the company's growth plans, it would require additional funding to support the envisaged disbursements.

About the Company

Habitat Micro Build India Housing Finance Company Pvt Ltd (MBIND) was incorporated in November 2010 and registered with National Housing Bank (NHB) as a Housing Finance Company in June 2012. MBIND is part of the global Micro Build Fund, an initiative by Habitat for Humanity International that invests in shelter-related microfinance products provided through local financial institutions. MBIND is promoted by Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI; USA based HFHI was founded as a not for profit organisation by Millard and Linda Fuller in 1976. HFHI has been able to join together many companies, community groups, 4



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governments and others to together tackle the need for safe, decent, affordable housing for all.), Mr. Radhakishan S Damani and ASK Group. MBIND extends loans for the purpose of housing and improvement of living environments for low-income families in India. The company is into wholesale lending to housing finance companies and microfinance institutions for the latter's housing loan product focused at microfinance borrowers. Moreover, the company lends to retail microfinance borrowers through business correspondents.

Financials: Standalone (Rs. Crore)

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For the year ended/ As On*	31-3-2021	31-3-2022	
	(Audited)	(Provisional)	
Total Operating Income	9.57	6.39	
Interest Expenses	0.92	0.33	
PAT	0.03	0.10	
Total Debt	4.81	1.54	
Tangible Net-worth	63.64	63.65	
Total Loan Assets	53.96	66.99	
Ratios (%)			
PAT Margin (%)	0.33	1.59	
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	0.08	0.02	
Total CAR (%)	118.15	92.27	
Gross NPA (%)	4.94	11.62	
Net NPA (%)	3.59	6.20	

^{*}Classification as per Infomerics' standards

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: None

Any other information: None

Rating History for last three years:

		Current Rating (Year 2022-23)			Rating History for the past 3 years		
SI. No.	Name of Instrument/ Facilities	Туре	Amount outstanding (Rs. Crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2022-23 (July 28, 2022)	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2021-22 (July 10, 2021)	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2020-21 (April 10, 2020)
1.	Proposed Long Term Fund Based Bank	Long Term	10.00	IVR BB+/Negati	IVR BB+/ Negative Outlook	IVR BBB; Under Credit Watch With	IVR BBB+/ Stable Outlook



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	Loan	Withdrawn	Implications	

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Annexure 1: Details of Facilities



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Name of Facility	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Proposed Long					IVR BB+/
Term Fund Based	-	-	-	10.00	Negative Outlook
facility - Term Loan					and Withdrawn

Annexure 2: List of companies considered for consolidated analysis: Not Applicable

Annexure 3: Facility wise lender details: Not Applicable

Annexure 4: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instrument/facilities: 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.