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Kanwar Enterprises Private Limited

August 10, 2023

Ratings					
Instrument Amount		Previous	Current	Rating	Complexity
/ Facility	(Rs. crore)	Ratings	Ratings	Action	Indicator
Long Term	156.00	IVR BBB/ Stable	IVR BBB/ Stable	Reaffirmed	Simple
Bank		(IVR Triple B;	(IVR Triple B;		
Facilities		with Stable	with Stable		
		Outlook)	Outlook)		
Short Term	4.00	-	IVR A3+	Assigned	Simple
Bank			(IVR A Three		
Facilities			Plus)		
Total	160.00	Rupees One Hundred Sixty Crore Only			

Details of Facilities are in Annexure 1

Detailed Rationale

Datings

Informerics Valuation and Rating Private Limited (IVR) has reaffirmed long-term rating of IVR BBB with a Stable outlook and assigned short term rating of A3+ for the bank loan facilities of Kanwar Enterprises Private Limited (KEPL).

The rating continues to draw comfort from the established track record of operations and experienced management, reputed clientele, healthy order book and comfortable financial risk profile during FY2023 (Provisional). However, these strengths are partially offset by tender based nature of business, decline in debt protection metrics and susceptibility of operating margin to volatile input prices.

The 'Stable' outlook indicates a low likelihood of rating change over the medium term. IVR believes KEPL's business risk profile will be maintained over the medium term as it has reputed clientele and healthy order book position which provides revenue visibility. The industry outlook is also improving led by the government of India making steady progress in infrastructure growth and development.

IVR has principally relied on the standalone audited financial results of KEPL upto 31 March 2022, FY2023 provisional certified results and projected financials for FY24, FY25 and FY26, and publicly available information/ clarifications provided by the company's management.



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Key Rating Sensitivities:

Upward Factors

- Substantial improvement in the scale of operations and EBITDA margins above 17%
- Improvement in debt protection metrics
- Sustenance of the overall gearing below 0.80x

Downward Factors

- Significant reduction in the scale of operations and profitability margins,
- Deterioration in debt protection metrics and overall gearing

List of Key Rating Drivers with Detailed Description

Key Rating Strengths

• Established track record of operations and experienced management:

The company commenced its operations in 2005 and has a successful track record of around two decades in the existing line of business. Overall activities of KEPL are managed by two directors with Mr. Kanwar Pal Singh being the Managing Director. He has experience of more than 24 years in the EPC business. The directors are ably supported by qualified and well experienced management team. Over the years they have built strong relationships with customers and suppliers.

• Demonstrated track record with proven project execution capability:

KEPL has long track record of around two decades in EPC segment. Over the years of its operation the company has gradually established its credentials and successfully executed many projects. In order to manage the projects in a better way and to grow in a balanced way, the company has a policy to take up short to medium term projects (12-36 months) and handle limited number of projects at a time to ensure timely completion. The repeat orders received from its clientele validate its construction capabilities.

• Reputed clientele:

The company is dealing with government and private clients namely Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL), NTPC Limited (NTPC), GE Power India Limited (GPIL), Tata Power Company Ltd (TPCL), Doosan Power Limited (DPL), Tata Projects Limited (TPL), BGR Energy Systems Limited (BESL), Jindal Steel & Power Limited (JSPL) etc. The company has been associated with most of the key clients for a long time, and the successful execution of the projects has also helped it in getting repeat orders. Due to reputed client profiles, the company has low counterparty credit risk although at times, there can be delays in the realization of some bills.



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• Comfortable financial risk profile:

The tangible networth improved to Rs. 94.27 crore in FY2023 (Provisional) from Rs. 84.30 crore in FY2022. The total operating income (TOI) marginally improved by ~3.24% to Rs. 271.05 crore in FY2023 (Provisional) from Rs. 262.54 crore in FY2022. The operating profit improved to Rs. 39.09 crore in FY2023 (Provisional) as compared to Rs. 36.81 crore in FY2022. However, net profit has marginally declined to Rs. 10.73 crore in FY2023 (Provisional) as compared to Rs. 11.03 crore in FY2022.

• Healthy order book:

The company has a healthy unexecuted order book position to the tune of about Rs 1,369.25 crore which is to be executed by FY2025, thereby providing a moderate revenue visibility for FY2024 and FY2025. The company is expected to add orders of Rs. 100-150 crore over the near term, which will further strengthen its order book position and the revenue visibility.

Key Rating Weaknesses

• Decline in debt protection metrics:

In terms of the debt protection metrics, the interest service coverage ratio (ISCR) declined to 3.50x in FY2023 (Provisional) as compared to 4.23x in FY2022, and the debt service coverage ratio (DSCR) declined to 1.09x in FY2023 (Provisional) as compared to 1.11x in FY2022.

• Tender based nature of business:

The company is mostly getting its orders through tenders floated by various government departments. As the infrastructure industry is highly fragmented due to presence of many organized and unorganized players tender driven nature of business leads to volatility in revenue and profitability. Further, being in infrastructure segment the company is exposed to inherent risks associated in this industry like slowdown in new order inflows, risks of delays in execution etc.

• Susceptibility of operating margin to volatile input prices:

The company's operating margins are susceptible to volatility in prices of raw materials, although the same risk has been mitigated to some extent with the presence of price escalation clause.

Analytical Approach: For arriving at the ratings, IVR has analysed KEPL's credit profile by considering the standalone financial statements of the company.



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Applicable Criteria:

Rating Methodology for Infrastructure Companies Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-Financial Sector) Criteria of assigning rating outlook

Liquidity – Adequate

The company has an adequate liquidity position. There are long-term secured borrowings from banks/NBFC's, amounting to Rs. 51.18 crore, as on 31 March 2023. Against a current portion of long-term debt (CPLTD) of Rs 22.71 crore in FY2023, the company had a cash accrual of Rs. 25.04 crore in FY2023. The company projected to generate cash accruals of Rs. 46.55 crore in FY2024 against a CPLTD of Rs. 25.57 crore. With the adequate expected cash accruals against repayments, the liquidity position will remain adequate.

About the Company

Kanwar Enterprises Private Limited (KEPL) was originally established as a sole proprietorship concern in the year 1997 to carry out various construction contracts and later in July 2005, the sole proprietary concern was taken over in continuity by KEPL. It is promoted by two directors namely, Mr. Kanwar Pal Singh and Mrs. Jatinder Kaur. The company is engaged in the construction business of executing orders involving ash dykes, tailing dam, grading, plant civil works, railway siding work, earth work, road work, deep excavation, hard rock cuttings, blasting operations, land development, industrial building (civil work) and various other infrastructure jobs for both private organizations and government departments. It is an ISO 9001:2008 certified organization. It currently operates in PAN India.

Financials (Standalone):

	(Rs. crore)		
For the year ended as on	31-03-2022	31-03-2023	
	Audited	Provisional	
Total Operating Income	262.54	271.05	
EBITDA	36.81	39.09	
PAT	11.03	10.73	
Total Debt	117.02	118.84	
Tangible Networth	84.30	94.27	
EBITDA Margin (%)	14.02	14.42	
PAT Margin (%)	4.16	3.93	
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	1.39	1.26	



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Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: It is under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING with CARE Ratings via press release dated 3rd November 2022 and Brickwork Ratings via press release dated 20th January 2023 on account of non-availability of requisite information from the company.

Any other information: Not Applicable

Sr.	Type of	Current Ratings (Year 2023-			Rating History for the past 3 years		
No.	Facilities	24)					
		Tenur	Amount	Rating	Date(s) &	Date(s) &	Date(s) &
		е	outstandin		Rating(s)	Rating(s)	Rating(s)
			g (Rs.		assigned in	assigned	assigned
			Crore)		2022-23	in 2021-22	in 2020-
					23 May 2022		21
1.	Fund Based	Long	156.00	IVR	IVR	-	-
		Term		BBB/St	BBB/Stable		
				able			
				(Reaffir			
				med)			
2.	Non-Fund Based	Short	4.00	IVR	-	-	-
		Term		A3+			
				(Assign			
				ed)			

Rating History for last three years:

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Name of Facility	Date of	Coupon	Maturity	Size of	Rating
	Issuance	Rate/ IRR	Date	Facility	Assigned/
				(Rs. Crore)	Outlook
Cash Credit	-	-	-	19.00	IVR BBB/Stable
Bill Discounting	-	-	-	4.00	IVR A3+
GECL Term Loan-1	-	-	June 2025	1.43	IVR BBB/Stable
GECL Term Loan-2	-	-	November 2027	0.97	IVR BBB/Stable
GECL Term Loan-3	-	-	August 2026	0.71	IVR BBB/Stable
Bank Guarantee*	-	-	-	123.75	IVR BBB/Stable
Proposed BG	-	-	-	10.14	IVR BBB/Stable

Annexure 1: Details of Facilities

*BG Tenor is more than 12 months.

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

Annexure 3: Facility wise lender details

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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 <u>Complexity Level of Rated Instruments/Facilities</u>.