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Mantri Metallics Private Limited (MMPL)

June 19, 2024

Ratings			,				
Instrument / Facility	Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Ratings	Previous Ratings	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator		
Long Term Bank Facilities	57.50 (Enhanced from Rs. 56.34 Crore)	IVR BB / Stable Outlook [IVR Double B with Stable Outlook]	IVR BB / Stable Outlook [IVR Double B with Stable Outlook]	Reaffirmed	<u>Simple</u>		
Short Term Bank Facilities	21.00 (Enhanced from Rs. 20.00 Crore)	IVR A4 [IVR A Four]	IVR A4 [IVR A Four]	Reaffirmed	<u>Simple</u>		
Total	Rs. 78.50 crore (Seventy-Eight Crore and Fifty Lakh Only)						

Details of Facilities are in Annexure 1

Detailed Rationale

Infomerics has reaffirmed the rating assigned to the bank loan facilities of MMPL continues to derive strength from experienced management and long track record of operations, improvement in overall profitability, association with reputed customer base and diversified revenue stream with presence in both domestic and export markets. The rating is however constrained by marginal decline in the revenue, moderate capital structure and debt coverage indicators and intense competition in automotive component industry which exert pressure on margins.

Key Rating Sensitivities:

Upward Factors

- Substantial increase in revenue and operating profits, leading to higher operating cash flows on a sustained basis.
- Improvement in the capital structure, marked by the overall gearing ratio of below 1x on a sustained basis.

Downward Factors

- Dip in operating income and/or profitability impacting the debt coverage indicators.
- Any further increase in the operating cycle, which may adversely impact the company's liquidity position.

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List of Key Rating Drivers with Detailed Description

Key Rating Strengths

Experienced management and long track record of operation

MMPL is promoted by Mr. Prasad Purushottam Mantri and Ms. Shruti Prasad Mantri, they have a vast experience in the automobile industry, their strong understanding of market dynamics and healthy relationships with customers and suppliers will continue to support the business risk profile.

Improvement in overall profitability

MMPL's EBITDA margin has marginally improved to 11.65 % as per provisional FY24 from 8.79% in FY23, this marginal improvement in profitability is due to reduction in raw material prices, as MMPL has used steel scarp as a raw material and due to more supply in the market prices get reduced. Further in absolute term EBITDA has increased to Rs.32.97 crore as per provisional FY24 (FY23: Rs.26.11 crore). Further PAT margin also gets improved to 4.25% as per provisional FY24 (FY23: 3.94%), this marginal improvement was due to healthy gross profitability.

Association with reputed customer base

MMPL's business risk profile continues to be supported by healthy relationship developed with various OEMs like Tata Motors, Ashok Leyland, John Deer, Volvo, Tata Cummins, etc. Moreover, reputed client base ensures timely realization of receivables.

Diversified revenue stream with presence in both domestic and export markets

MMPL has a diversified geographical presence in both the domestic and export markets. Exports account for ~26% of its revenue in FY24 provisional and the rest constitute domestic sales. Exports at the company have increased steadily over the years and is expected to increase by 25 % in the coming years as the company remains focussed on scaling up the same.

Key Rating Weaknesses



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Marginal decline in the revenue

As per provisional FY24 MMPL's revenue declined by 4.16% to Rs. 281.40 crore. This decline was driven by a decrease in number of orders received from overseas market due to Russia Ukraine war the supply chain was disrupted. Export contributed 40% of the total sales which is reduce to 25% in FY24 provisional, which is resulted into lower sales.

Moderate capital structure and debt protection metrics

The financial risk profile of MMPL has moderate marked by overall gearing and TOL/TNW ratio which has improved but remain moderate at to 1.23x and 3.02x as per FY24 provisional respectively (FY23: 2.20x and 4.98x respectively), this improvement was done due to reduction in debt levels. The debt protection metrics remains moderate marked by interest coverage ratio of 2.05x as per provisional FY24 (FY23: 1.78x), improvement on account of healthy gross profitability. Debt to NCA has significantly improved but remain moderate at 2.81x as per provisional FY24 (FY23: 4.26x).

Intense competition in automotive component industry which exert pressure on margins.

Intense competition due to the presence of other automotive component manufacturers, which exerts pricing pressures, is likely to weigh on the company's operating margins. With increasing presence of domestic as well as international players in the automotive ancillary business, the competition had increased over the years. Nonetheless, MMPL's strong relationship with its clients mitigates the risk to a certain extent. Further iron & steel are the major raw materials for the company. Steel prices are highly volatile and prone to fluctuations based on global demand supply situations and other macro-economic factors. Thus, the company's cash flows and profits are susceptible to fluctuation in raw material prices.

Analytical Approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria:

Criteria for assigning rating outlook

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Rating Methodology for Manufacturing Companies Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-Financial Sector) Policy on Default Recognition Complexity Level of Rated Instruments/Facilities

Liquidity – Adequate

The liquidity profile of MMPL is adequate with expected to generate gross cash accruals in the range of Rs.23 to 28 crore as against the repayment obligations of Rs.3 to 13 crore over FY25 and FY27. The current ratio stood at 1.0x as per provisional FY24 (PY:0.96x); The average fund-based bank limit utilization in the last 12 months ended April 2024 stood at ~90%. DSCR of the stood comfortable at 1.23x in provisional FY24.

About the Company

Mantri Metallics Private Limited (MMPL) incorporated on July 31, 1995. MMPL's primary line of business is production and distribution of auto parts primarily to original equipment manufacturer (OEMs). The company manufactures cast iron automotive components like Flywheel, Assemblies, Break Drums, Exhaust Manifolds, Housings & Plates etc. MMPL caters to a diversified segment viz., heavy & light commercial vehicles, tractors, passenger cars and non-automotive components for diesel engines and engineering products. MMPL has a production capacity of 37,200 MT of machined iron castings manufacturing over 200 different types of parts across 3 manufacturing facilities viz., 2 units located at Shiroli & Kagal in Kolhapur, Maharashtra and 1 unit located at Pantnagar in Rudrapur, Uttarakhand. MMPL has an integrated facility with all under one roof – foundry, machining, painting & sub-assembly. MMPL has full-fledged paint shop.

Financials (Standalone)*:

		(Rs. crore)
For the year ended/ As on*	31-03-2022	31-03-2023
	Audited	Audited
Total Operating Income	227.72	296.94
EBITDA	13.36	26.11
PAT	9.76	11.89
Total Debt	75.38	60.38
Tangible Net Worth	19.64	27.64
EBITDA Margin (%)	5.87	8.79



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PAT Margin (%)	4.25	3.94
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	3.84	2.18
Interest Coverage (x)	0.58	1.78

* As per Infomerics Standard

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: None

Any other information:

Rating History for last three years:

	Current Ratings (Year 2024-25)						Rating History for the past 3 years			
Sr. No	Name of Instrume nt / Facilities	Туре	Amou nt outsta nding (Rs. Crore)		Ratin g(s) assig ned in 2023- 24	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigne d in 2022-23	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigne d in 2022-23			
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1.	Fund Based – Term Loan	Long Term	9.10	IVR BB / Stable	IVR BB / Stable	-	IVR BB / Stable	IVR B / Stable		
2.	Fund Based – WCTL	Long Term	3.43	IVR BB / Stable	IVR BB / Stable		IVR BB / Stable	IVR B / Stable		
3.	Fund Based – GECL	Long Term	6.47	IVR BB / Stable	IVR BB / Stable		IVR BB / Stable	IVR B / Stable		
4.	Fund Based – Cash Credit	Long Term	38.50	IVR BB / Stable	IVR BB / Stable		IVR BB / Stable	IVR B / Stable		
5.	Non-Fund Based – Letter of Credit	Short Term	13.50	IVR A4	IVR A4		IVR A4	IVR A4		
6.	Non-Fund Based – Bank Guarantee	Short Term	3.80	IVR A4	IVR A4		IVR A4	IVR A4		
7.	Non-Fund Based – Forward Contract	Short Term	0.70	IVR A4	IVR A4		IVR A4	IVR A4		

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Press Release				May 27- 2024		March 28- 2023	July 22- 2023	
8.	Fund Based – SCF	Short Term	3.00	IVR A4	IVR A4	_	-	-

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Name of Facility	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Long Term – Fund Based – Term Loan	-	-	Feb – 2027	9.10	IVR BB / Stable
Long Term – Fund Based – WCTL	-	- a	Dec – 2024	3.43	IVR BB / Stable
Long Term – Fund Based – GECL	-	-	Nov – 2026	6.47	IVR BB / Stable
Long Term – Fund Based – Cash Credit	-		Revolving	38.50	IVR BB / Stable
Short Term – Non- Fund Based – Letter of Credit	-	T	-	13.50	IVR A4
Short Term – Non- Fund Based – Bank Guarantee	ŀ		1	3.80	IVR A4
Short Term – Non- Fund Based – Forward Contract Limits	_	_	-	0.70	IVR A4
Fund Based – SCF			Revolving	3.00	IVR A4

Annexure 1: Details of Facilities

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>www.infomerics.com</u>.



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