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### **Sudharma Infratech Private Limited**

### November 05, 2024

### **Ratings**

Instrument / Facility	Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Ratings	Previous Ratings	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator	
Long Term Bank Facilities – Working Capital Term Loan	2.40	IVR BB+/Stable (IVR Double B Plus with Stable Outlook)	IVR D	Upgraded	Simple	
Long Term Bank Facilities – Cash Credit	12.60	IVR BB+/Stable (IVR Double B Plus with Stable Outlook)	IVR D	Upgraded	Simple	
Short Term Bank Facilities – Bank Guarantee	30.00	IVR A4+ (IVR A Four Plus)	IVR D	Upgraded	Simple	
Total	45.00	(Rupees Forty-Five Crores Only)				

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

#### **Detailed Rationale**

Infomerics Ratings has upgraded its ratings on the debt facilities of Sudharma Infratech Private Limited (SIPL) after studying the bank statements of all the lenders which confirms that the company has been servicing all its loan obligations on timely basis from April 2024 till date. The company is expected to demonstrate steady revenue growth over the projected period of three years given its favourable track records in the civil and road infrastructure space.

The Stable outlook reflects Infomerics' view that the company's strong order book provides revenue visibility for at least two years and the company is expected to maintain healthy EBIDTA margins translating into healthy and stable debt coverage ratios.

### **Key Rating Sensitivities:**

### **Upward Factors**

Increase in order book and timely execution of the same.

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- Improvement in operating cycle

#### **Downward Factors**

- Decline in profitability and elongation in operating cycle

#### List of Key Rating Drivers with Detailed Description

#### **Key Rating Strengths**

### • Extensive experience of the promoters and management team

SIPL has established an operational track record of more than a decade in construction of various civil infrastructure, roads, and bridges. Mr. R.V. Sudhakar (Managing Director), is a first-generation entrepreneur having three decades of experience in the construction sector. The extensive experience of the promoter and successful track record of operation has helped the company in acquiring customers. The directors are well supported by a team of experienced and qualified professionals.

### Healthy order book indicating near term revenue visibility

The company has a good track record of successfully executing various road and highway projects and has a good order book based on its past execution capabilities and timely deliveries. The company has completed many major as well as minor projects and an unexecuted order book of around INR ~402.27 crores as of September 30, 2024.

### Healthy revenue growth and profitability margins

The operating Income of the company grew by ~25.74% to Rs. 115.28 crore for FY24 (Prov.) on the back of increase in order book and timely execution of high value projects across its electrical and civil business unit. The EBIDTA and PAT of the company also registered a robust growth of ~33.15% and 52.01% respectively for FY2024 (Prov.). EBIDTA margin of the company increased to 8.83% for FY2024 (Prov.) from 8.34% for FY2023 whereas PAT margin stood at 3.29% for FY2024 (Prov.) from 2.69% in FY2023.

### **Key Rating Weaknesses**

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### Working capital intensive operations

The company's operations are working capital intensive in nature as reflected by its Operating cycle days of around 130 days as on March 31, 2024 (Prov.). The average collection period remains high at 78 days in as on March 31, 2024 (Prov.) however improved from 91 days as on March 31, 2023. The average creditor period stood to 42 days as on March 31, 2024 (Prov.) from 57 days as on March 31, 2023. The company is highly reliant on working capital borrowings and its utilization level were at an average of ~97.56% for 12 months ended March 2024.

### • Concentrated customer base

The present order book mainly consists of rehabilitation, up-gradation, and repair of road construction. And 93% of the order is from 3 clients only. This implies very high dependency on a few clients.

 Highly fragmented & competitive nature of the construction sector with significant price war coupled with tender-based nature of business

The domestic infrastructure works sector is highly crowded with presence of many players with varied statures & capabilities which limits the pricing power of the companies. Largely tender based procurement mechanism also increases the competition to an extent especially amongst the entities which have a limited geographic distribution of projects.

Analytical Approach: Standalone

**Applicable Criteria:** 

Rating Methodology for Infrastructure Companies.

Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-Financial Sector).

Criteria for assigning Rating outlook.

Policy on Default Recognition

Complexity Level of Rated Instruments/Facilities

Liquidity - Adequate

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Liquidity profile of SIPL appears to be adequate with the current ratio of 1.88x and Quick ratio of 1.08x as on March 31, 2024. The company is earning a comfortable level of Gross Cash Accruals (GCA) which stood at Rs. 7.41 crore as on March 31, FY2024 (Prov.) and the same is expected to improve during the projected period with increase in scale of operations. The GCA is expected be in the range of ~Rs. 13.00 crores to Rs. 17.00 crores annually during the projected period which is adequate to meet the repayment obligations. The company has cash & bank balance of Rs. 3.17 crore as on March 31, 2024 (Prov.). The average working capital utilization level stood at ~78% during last twelve months ended September 30, 2024.

### **About the Company**

Sudharma Infratech Private Limited (SIPL) was incorporated in 2008 in Andhra Pradesh. The company is promoted by Mr. R.V.V Sudhakar who is the managing director of the company, having a vast experience in civil work. He has executed various works in name of M/s Sri Dattatreya Construction and Service Private Limited, which undertakes private construction work. Now, M/s Sri Dattatreya Construction and Service Private Limited has been merged with Sudharma Infratech Private Limited since the year 2016. Sri Dattatreya Constructions and Services Private Limited used to undertake construction of civil works for M/s. Larsen & Toubro Limited, M/s. Tisco, M/s. Kakinada Sea Ports, Gangavaram Ports and Krishnapatnam port. Currently Sudharma Infratech Private Limited undertakes government work and projects. The company is engaged in contract-based construction and renovation of roads and highways with various Government bodies of Andhra Pradesh.

### Financials (Standalone):

(Rs. crore)

For the year ended/ As on*	31-03-2023	31-03-2024
	Audited	Provisional
Total Operating Income	91.68	115.28
EBITDA	7.65	10.18
PAT	2.50	3.80
Total Debt	9.82	27.18
Tangible Net Worth	38.63	38.00
EBITDA Margin (%)	8.34	8.83
PAT Margin (%)	2.69	3.29
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	0.25	0.72



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Interest Coverage (x)	3.84	5.80
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<sup>\*</sup> As per Infomerics Standard

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Nil

### 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 Instrument/Facilit ies	Туре	Amount outstandi ng (Rs. Crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2024-25	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2023-24	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in in 2022-23
	PR Date			(November 05, 2024)	(October 16, 2024)	(August 17, 2023)	(June 01, 2022)
1.	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	2.40	IVR BB+/ Stable	IVR D	IVR BBB- / Stable	IVR BBB- / Stable
2.	Cash Credit	Long Term	12.60	IVR BB+/ Stable	IVR D	IVR BBB- / Stable	IVR BBB- / Stable
3.	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	30.00	IVR A4+	IVR D	IVR A3	IVR A3

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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		
Long Term – Working Capital Term Loan	ı	-	-	2.40	IVR BB+		
Long Term – Cash Credit	-	-	-	12.60	IVR BB+		
Short Term – Bank Guarantee	-	-	_	30.00	IVR A4+		

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

Annexure 3: Facility wise lender details

https://www.infomerics.com/admin/prfiles/len-Sudharma-Infratech-nov24.pdf

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 <a href="https://www.infomerics.com">www.infomerics.com</a>.