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Rameswar Udyog Private Limited (RUPL) July 04, 2023

Ratings

Facilities	Amount (Rs. Crore)	Ratings	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator		
Long Term Fund Based Facility – Term Loans	17.64 (Reduced from INR26.54 crore)	IVR BBB / RWDI (IVR Triple B; Rating Watch with Developing Implications)	Rating reaffirmed and placed under Rating Watch with Developing Implications	Simple		
Short Term Fund Based Facility – PC / PCFC	55.00 (Increased from INR27.00 crore)	IVR A3+ / RWDI (IVR A Three Plus; Rating Watch with Developing Implications)	Rating reaffirmed and placed under Rating Watch with Developing Implications	Simple		
Short Term Fund Based Facility – LC Bill Discounting	20.00	IVR A3+ / RWDI (IVR A Three Plus; Rating Watch with Developing Implications)	Rating reaffirmed and placed under Rating Watch with Developing Implications	Simple		
Short Term Non- Fund Based Facility – Bank Guarantee	2.00	IVR A3+ / RWDI (IVR A Three Plus; Rating Watch with Developing Implications)	Rating reaffirmed and placed under Rating Watch with Developing Implications	Simple		
Total	94.64	(Rupees Ninety Four Crore and Sixty Four Lakh Only)				

Details of facilities are in Annexure 1 Detailed Rationale

The reaffirmation to the long term and short-term bank facilities of Rameswar Udyog Private Limited (RUPL) factors in experienced promoters, geographically diversified operations, expected substantial improvement in revenue in FY24 and comfortable capital structure. The ratings are, however, constrained by intense competition in the industry exposure and susceptibility of its profitability to fluctuation in raw material prices.

The ratings are placed under rating watch with developing implications to monitor sustainability of revenue achieved in Q1FY24.

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Key Rating Sensitivities:

Upward Factors

- Substantial growth in operating income and profitability on a sustained basis
- Improvement in capital structure with overall gearing ratio of less than 1.0x on a sustained basis

Downward Factors

- Any decline in scale of operations and/or moderation in profitability
- Deterioration in capital structure with overall gearing ratio of more than 2.0x on a sustained basis
- Any debt funded capex leading to deterioration in the debt protection parameters and/or the liquidity position of the company

List of Key Rating Drivers with Detailed Description

Key Rating Strengths:

Experienced promoters

Incorporated in 1996, RUPL is promoted by Mr. Harsh Ajitsaria and his family members. Both the promoters have more than two decades of experience in the industry, which has enabled strong relationships with various industry players, including suppliers and customers.

Geographically diversified operations

Exports constituted 56% of the company's revenue in FY23 (UA) as compared to 65% in FY22 (A). RUPL exports to many countries (including Bangladesh, Turkey, Iran, Egypt, the UAE, Czech Republic, Italy and Mauritius). Also, the Company's either export sales are backed by letter of credit or have advance payment mechanism, hence, the receivables risk faced by the company is negligible.

Expected substantial improvement in revenue in FY24



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FY23 has been a particularly subdued year for the textile and yarn industry because of very high volatility in cotton prices and reduced export demand due to geo-political crisis. However, the demand has revived and sales have started picking up from the month of January 2023 onwards. Further, the Company has already achieved the turnover of Rs.166.84 crore during Q1FY24 which gives an indication of better performance likely to be achieved in FY24. The Company is expected to achieve total operating income of ~Rs.600 crore in FY24 from Rs.292.43 crore in FY23 (UA).

Comfortable capital structure

The capital structure of the Company continues to remain comfortable marked by total debt to equity ratio and overall gearing ratio of 0.60x and 1.40x respectively, as on March 31, 2023 (UA) as compared to 0.96x and 1.49x respectively, as on March 31, 2022 (A). Further, total indebtedness of the company marked by TOL/TNW improved to 1.61x as on March 31, 2023 (UA) as against 1.87x as on March 31, 2022 (A).

Key Rating Weaknesses:

Intense competition in the industry

The spinning and trading industry is highly fragmented and competitive with the presence of a large number of organised and unorganized players. Intense competition in the industry and commoditised nature of the product limit RUPL's pricing flexibility and bargaining power.

Susceptibility of its profitability to fluctuation in raw material prices

The company's profit margins are exposed to the fluctuation in raw material prices, which depend on factors such as seasonality, monsoon condition, international demand and supply situation, export policy etc.

Analytical Approach: Standalone



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Applicable Criteria:

Rating Methodology for Trading Companies
Rating Methodology for Manufacturing Companies
Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-Financial Sector)
Criteria for rating outlook

Liquidity - Adequate

The liquidity position of the company is adequate on account of the fact that the expected gross cash accruals of the company are likely to remain favourable relative to its debt-servicing obligations during FY24-FY26. Moreover, the company does not have any major capital expenditure plan in the near to medium term. This is expected to support the company's liquidity position. Further, company has reported adequate current ratio at 1.66x as on March 31, 2023 to meet its near-term cash requirements. RUPL's average fund based working capital utilization for twelve months ended May 2023 stands at 18%. RUPL has cash and bank balance of Rs. 14.42 crore as on March 31, 2023.

About the Company

Incorporated in November 1996, RUPL is promoted by Mr. Harsh Ajitsaria and his family members. Based in Ahmedabad, the company primarily manufactures and trades cotton yarn. In addition, it also manufactures industrial garments and trades fabrics, dyes, cotton and cotton waste. Its manufacturing facilities located at Ahmedabad had a total installed capacity of 21,888 spindles as on March 31, 2023. It also had industrial garment manufacturing capacity of 6 lakhs as on March 31, 2023.



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Financials (Standalone):

(INR Crore)

For the year ended* As on	31-03-2022	31-03-2023
	Audited	Unaudited
Total Operating Income	581.75	292.43
EBITDA	36.99	6.46
PAT	21.57	1.85
Total Debt	98.90	96.63
Tangible Net Worth	66.58	69.22
Ratios		
EBITDA Margin (%)	6.36	2.21
PAT Margin (%)	3.68	0.62
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	1.49	1.40

^{*}Classification as per Infomerics' standards

Status of Non-cooperation with previous CRA:

ICRA has continued to classify the ratings of the bank facilities of RUPL under "ISSUER NOT COOPEARATING" category, vide their press releases dated June 01, 2022 on account of non-availability of requisite information.

Any other information: None

Rating History for last three years:

	Name of Instrument /Facilities	Current Ratings (Year 2023-24)			Rating History for the past 3 years		
Sr. No.		Type outstand	Amount outstanding (Rs. Crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2022- 23	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2021-22	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2020- 21
					April 06, 2022		January 28, 2021
1.	Fund Based Bank Facilities – Term Loans	Long Term	17.64	IVR BBB / RWDI	IVR BBB / Stable		IVR BBB- / Stable
2.	Fund Based Bank Facilities – PC / PCFC*	Short Term	55.00	IVR A3+/ RWDI	IVR A3+		IVR A3
3.	Fund Based Bank Facilities – LC Bill Discounting	Short Term	20.00	IVR A3+/ RWDI	IVR A3+		IVR A3



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		Current Ratings (Year 2023-24)			Rating History for the past 3 years		
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4.	Non-Fund Based Bank Facilities – Bank Guarantee	Short Term	2.00	IVR A3+/ RWDI	IVR A3+		IVR A3

^{*}Includes sub-limit of Cash Credit of Rs.15.00 crore and FOBP/FOUBP/FABC/FAUBC of Rs.55.00 crore.

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Annexure 1: Details of Facilities

Name of Facility	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Term Loan			FY25	9.60	IVR BBB / RWDI
Term Loan			FY27	8.04	IVR BBB / RWDI
PC / PCFC				55.00	IVR A3+ / RWDI
LC Bill Discounting				20.00	IVR A3+/ RWDI
Bank Guarantee				2.00	IVR A3+ / RWDI

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

Annexure 3: Facility wise lender details

https://www.infomerics.com/admin/prfiles/len-rupl-jul23.pdf

Annexure 4: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instrument/facilities: Not Applicable

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