

Intex Technologies (India) Limited

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Ratings				
Facilities	Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action	
Long term Bank Facilities	162.00 (enhanced from 35.00)	CARE A (Under credit watch with negative implication) [Single A]	Put under credit watch with negative implication	
Short term Bank Facilities	411.00 (reduced from 601.00)	CARE A1 (Under credit watch with negative implication) [A one]	Put under credit watch with negative implication	
Total Facilities	150.00 (Rs. One hundred fifty crore only)			

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale

Dating

The ratings assigned to the bank facilities of Intex Technologies (India) Limited (ITIL) continue to take into account the consistent growth in total operating income and comfortable gearing levels of the company, steady growth in the other product segments and continuous strengthening of the "Intex" brand.

The ratings also continue to derive strength from the experienced promoters and management team, established market position in the computer peripherals segment, diversified product portfolio, widespread distribution network and well-defined foreign exchange risk mitigation policy.

However, the ratings are constrained by high level of competition in the IT hardware and mobile handset segment, volatility in profitability margins, dependency on imports and the associated regulatory risks.

Going forward, the ability of the company to improve its profitability, improving its market share in the Indian mobilehandset industry and successful completion and commencement of its new manufacturing facility shall be the key rating sensitivities.

The ratings have been placed on 'Credit Watch' on account of Delhi High Court issuing interim injunction against ITIL from selling 'AQUA' branded smartphones and accessories and the possible impact of the same on the credit risk profile of the company. CARE will continue to monitor the developments in this regard and will take a view on the ratings once the exact implications of the above on the credit risk profile of the company are clear.

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

ITIL was promoted by Mr. Narendra Bansal (Chairman and Managing Director) in 1996. Mr. Bansal is a first generation entrepreneur with wide experience of over 25 years in the IT industry. The management team of ITIL comprising of officials who are technically qualified and highly experienced in their respective domains and manages the day to day operations of the company. The financial risk profile of the company is characterized by consistent growth in total operating income, comfortable gearing levels and low operating cycle. ITIL's total operating income has grown at a Compounded Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of around 45% during FY14-16. Further, ITIL has a well-established position in the computer peripherals distribution business backed by the long-term association with suppliers, wide distribution network across the country and established brand name. ITIL has a network of 30 stock and sales offices spread throughout the major cities in the country. The sales are routed through a distribution network comprising of 1,600+ distributors and 80,000+ dealers spread across the country. ITIL has diversified portfolio of more than 250 products across different products verticals namely, Mobile handsets, Consumer Electronics and IT Hardware. Due to high dependence on imports for its raw material requirements, the company is vulnerable to foreign currency risk for its import payments.

¹Complete definition of the ratings assigned are available at <u>www.careratings.com</u> and other CARE publications



However, ITIL uses letter of credit from the banks for purchase of products from the vendors, which is backed by hedging policy for covering their foreign currency exposure.

ITIL's profitability margins have remained low which is mainly attributed to trading nature of business operations combined with high level competition in the mobile handsets and IT hardware trading industry with low entry barriers. The Indian mobile handset industry is marked by high level competition with the market being highly price sensitive and value driven. The industry is fragmented with both domestic and foreign players, which has led to stiff price competition. ITIL sources its raw material largely through imports from overseas markets of Hong-Kong, Taiwan and China. The company is reliant on third party suppliers of its products.

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

Criteria on assigning Outlook to Credit Ratings CARE's Policy on Default Recognition Criteria for Short Term Instruments Criteria for placing rating on credit watch Rating Methodology - Wholesale Trading Financial ratios – Non-Financial Sector

About the Company

Incorporated in 1996, ITIL was promoted by Mr. Narendra Bansal (Chairman and Managing Director). The company is engaged in assembling, manufacturing and trading of mobile handsets, computer peripherals, multimedia speakers, personal computers and consumer electronics under the brand name of 'INTEX'.

ITIL primarily operates in three business segments namely mobile handset, Consumer Electronics (DVD player, TV, LCD etc.) and IT Hardware (UPS, Monitor, Keyboard, Mouse and other computer peripherals). The company sources its raw material largely through imports from China, Hong-Kong and Taiwan based suppliers backed by Letter of Credit. The finished goods which the company imports are manufactured overseas as per company's specifications and marketed under the brand "Intex" in India.

The company has manufacturing and assembling units in Jammu (Jammu & Kashmir) and Manpura (Himachal Pradesh). The company has also set up three assembling and manufacturing units in Noida (Uttar Pradesh) with cumulative production capacity of 38.40 million handsets per annum.

During FY16 (refers to the period April 01 to March 31), ITIL achieved a PAT of Rs.152.88 crore on a total operating income of Rs.6282.69 crore as against PAT of Rs.126.78 crore on a total operating income of Rs.3774.63 crore during FY15.

Further, For H1FY17 (Un-audited) period (refers to the period April 01 to June 30) ITIL achieved PAT of Rs.41.21 crore on a total operating income of 2639.66 crore.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA:

Not Applicable Any other information: Not Applicable Rating History for last three years: Please refer Annexure-2

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument: CARE has classified instruments rated by it on the basis of complexity. This classification is available at www.careratings.com. Investors/market intermediaries/regulators or others are welcome to write to care@careratings.com for any clarifications.

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Annexure-1: Details of Instruments/Facilities

Name of the Instrument	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. crore)	Rating assigned along with Rating Outlook
Fund Based - LT	-	-	-	162.00	CARE A (Under Credit watch with Negative Implications)
Non-Fund Based - ST- BG/LC	-	-	-	411.00	CARE A1 (Under Credit watch with Negative Implications)

Annexure-2: Rating History of last three years

		Current Ratings			Chronology of Rating history			
Sr.	Name of the	Туре	Amount	Rating	Date(s) &	Date(s) &	Date(s) &	Date(s) &
No.	Instrument/Bank		Outstanding		Rating(s)	Rating(s)	Rating(s)	Rating(s)
	Facilities		(Rs. crore)		assigned in	assigned in	assigned in	assigned in
					2016-2017	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014
1.	Term Loan-Long Term	LT	-	-	-	-	1)Withdrawn	1)CARE
							(09-Oct-14)	BBB
								(16-Aug-
								13)
2.	Fund Based - LT	LT	162.00	CARE A (Under	-	1)CARE A	1)CARE BBB+	1)CARE
				Credit watch		(13-Jan-16)	(09-Oct-14)	BBB
				with Negative		2)CARE A-		(16-Aug-
				Implications)		(01-Jul-15)		13)
3.	Non-Fund Based - ST-	ST	411.00	CARE A1 (Under	-	1)CARE A1	1)CARE A2	1)CARE
	BG/LC			Credit watch		(13-Jan-16)	(09-Oct-14)	A3+
				with Negative		2)CARE		(16-Aug-
				Implications)		A2+		13)
						(01-Jul-15)		





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