

FEBRUARY 17, 2015 CARE ASSIGNS 'CARE AAA' RATINGS TO THE PROPOSED NCD AND SUBORDINATED DEBT ISSUE OF

Ratings

Facilities	Amount (Rs. crore)	Ratings ¹	Remarks
Proposed Non-Convertible Debenture	700	CARE AAA	Assigned
issue		(Triple A)	
Proposed subordinated debt issue	300	CARE AAA	Assigned
		(Triple A)	

MAHINDRA & MAHINDRA FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD.

Other Outstanding Ratings

Instrument	Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating ²
Non-Convertible Debenture issue	600	CARE AAA (Triple A)
Subordinated debt issue	200	CARE AAA (Triple A)

Rating Rationale

The ratings factor in the majority ownership of MMFSL by Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd. (M&M, rated CARE AAA), strategic importance of MMFSL for M&M and common brand name. The ratings also take into account the expected support from M&M, good operational linkages with M&M, strong management, long track record of operations, comfortable capitalization and liquidity profile, diversified asset mix, well-diversified funding profile and good profitability. The ratings also factor in the moderate asset quality due to the seasonal nature of income of its customers in rural and semi-urban areas and current slowdown in the overall economy. Credit profile of the parent (M&M), strategic importance of MMFSL for M&M, asset quality and profitability are the key rating sensitivities.

Background

MMFSL is a subsidiary of M&M which holds 51.2% stake and enjoys market leadership position in its key product segments with 40.6% market share in tractor segment and 41.7% share in Utility Vehicles segment. MMFSL was incorporated in 1991 and started its operations as a captive financier for M&M vehicles but since 2002-03 it has started financing vehicles of other OEMs like Maruti and Tata. At the end of FY14, MMFSL, on a standalone basis, had a loan portfolio of Rs.29,321 crore comprising asset classes like utility vehicles, cars, tractors, commercial vehicles, three wheelers and construction equipment. The assets under management, on a standalone basis, at the end of FY14 stood at Rs.34,133 crore. MMFSL has five subsidiaries namely, Mahindra Insurance Brokers Ltd. (85% stake), Mahindra Rural Housing Finance Ltd. (87.5%), Mahindra Business & Consulting Services Private Ltd. (100%), Mahindra Asset Management Company Pvt. Ltd. (99.99%) and Mahindra Trustee Company Pvt. Ltd. (99.99%). It also has a US based joint venture company, Mahindra Finance USA LLC., which is in the business of providing wholesale inventory financing to US based dealers, financing dealer purchases of Mahindra products and providing retail financing to end-user customers to finance their lease or purchase of Mahindra products. MMFSL is headed by Mr. Ramesh lyer as the Managing Director and Mr. Bharat Doshi is the company's Chairman.

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



In FY14, the company earned a PAT of Rs.887 crore on a total income of Rs.4953 crore. Total capital adequacy stood at 18.0% with a Tier I CAR of 15.5%. Gross and Net NPA ratio stood at 4.76% and 2.01% as on March 31, 2014. At the end of December 2014, Gross and Net NPA ratio stood at 7.7% and 3.6%, respectively.

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