

GPT Healthcare Limited

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Rating

Facilities	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	-	-	Reaffirmed at CARE BBB+; Stable (Triple B Plus; Outlook: Stable) and Withdrawn
Total Bank Facilities	0.00 (₹ Only)		

Details of facilities in Annexure-1.

Detailed rationale and key rating drivers

CARE has reaffirmed and simultaneously withdrawn the outstanding rating of CARE BBB+; Stable; [Triple B Plus; Outlook: Stable] assigned to the bank facilities of GPT Healthcare Limited (GPTHL) with immediate effect. The above action has been taken at the request of GPTHL and 'No Objection Certificate' received from the bank that has extended the facilities rated by CARE Ratings.

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

Key rating strengths

Experienced promoters: Dr. Om Tantia, Managing Director of GPTHPL, is a qualified and renowned surgeon in the field of bariatric & laparoscopic surgery in Eastern India. He has about three decades of experience in the healthcare sector. He looks after the day-to-day affairs of the company along with the support of experienced professionals. GPTHL belongs to GPT group of Kolkata which has business interest in construction, healthcare and steel castings. Major companies belonging to the promoters are GPT Infraprojects Ltd, and GPT Castings Ltd.

Multi-specialty hospitals with established position: GPTHL provides healthcare services in various fields (Emergency and Critical Care, Gynae Endoscopic Surgery, Nephrology, Neuro and Spine Surgery, Neurology, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Pediatrics etc). It has established position with three hospitals in Kolkata and one in Agartala.

Satisfactory financial performance in FY22: The company achieved total operating income of Rs.336.77 crore in FY22 (refers to the period April 01 to March 31) vis-à-vis Rs.242.11 crore in FY21. The company generated PAT of Rs.41.66 crore in FY22 as compared to Rs.21.09 crore in FY21. GCA Improved to Rs.58 crore in FY22 vis-à-vis Rs.36 crore in FY21.

Improvement in capital structure and debt protection metrics: The capital structure of the company improved overall gearing ratio at 0.64x as on March 31, 2022 vis-à-vis 0.94x as on March 31, 2021. Total debt/GCA has improved to 1.75x as on March 31, 2022 as compared to 3.45x as on March 31, 2021.

Key Rating Weaknesses

Capital intensive nature of business: Hospital industry is a capital-intensive industry with relatively long gestation period. Generally, new hospital takes around 2-3 years' time frame to breakeven at operational level due to low occupancy rate in the initial period of operation. Thus, the promoter is required to support the operation until the mentioned parameters reach the minimum desired level. Further, the maintenance capex required for the hospital industry also remains high owing to regular replacement of equipment's, non-reusable pharmaceutical and surgical products and to update the latest technology.

Fragmented industry: The healthcare sector is highly fragmented with few large players in the organised sector and numerous small players in the unorganised sector leading to high level of competition in the business. Thus, differentiating factors like range of services offered, quality of service, distinction of doctors, success rate in treatment of complex cases, etc. will be crucial in order to attract patients and increase occupancy.

High vulnerability to treatment-related risks and operation risks: Healthcare is a highly sensitive sector where any mistake on a critical case or negligence on part of any doctor and/or staff of the unit can lead to distrust among the masses. Thus, all the healthcare providers need to monitor each case diligently and meticulously to avoid the occurrence of any unforeseen incident which can damage the reputation of a hospital to a large extent.

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Liquidity: Adequate

The liquidity of the company is adequate marked by sufficient gross cash accruals of Rs.58.15 crore vis-à-vis debt repayment of Rs.19.22 crore in FY22 and cash and cash equivalents of Rs.8.27 crore as on March 31, 2022. The operating cycle remain steady in FY22.

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable criteria

Policy on default recognition Financial Ratios – Non financial Sector Liquidity Analysis of Non-financial sector entities Rating Outlook and Credit Watch Hospital Policy on Withdrawal of Ratings

About the company

GPTHL was incorporated in 1989 as Jibansatya Printing House Pvt Ltd by Kolkata-based GPT Group. Later it was rechristened as GPT Healthcare Pvt Ltd which was converted into a Public Ltd Company on September 15, 2021. GPTHL is engaged in healthcare business since 2005 and operates three multi-specialty hospitals in Kolkata (84-bed hospital in Salt Lake, 150-bed multi-specialty hospital in Dumdum and 116-bed hospital in Howrah) and one in Agartala, Tripura (204-bed multi-specialty hospital & nursing school) under the brand ILS hospitals. ILS Hospitals Salt Lake Department of Minimal Access Surgery has also been accredited by National Board of Examinations for Fellowship in Minimal Access Surgery. The company is managed by six-member board, headed by Mr. D. P. Tantia, Chairman and Dr. Om Tantia, MD of the company.

Brief Financials (₹ crore)	March 31, 2021 (A)	March 31, 2022 (A)	H1FY23
Total operating income	242.11	336.77	NA
PBILDT	49.28	73.40	NA
PAT	21.09	41.66	NA
Overall gearing (times)	0.94	0.64	NA
Interest coverage (times)	3.65	6.60	NA

A: Audited , NA: Not Available

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: Not Applicable

Rating history for the last three years: Please refer Annexure-2

Covenants of the rated instruments/facilities: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instruments/facilities is given in Annexure-3

Complexity level of various instruments rated for this company: Annexure-4

Annexure-1: Details of instruments/facilities

Name of the Instrument	ISIN	Date of Issuance (DD-MM-YYYY)	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date (DD- MM-YYYY)	Size of the Issue (₹ crore)	Rating Assigned along with Rating Outlook
Fund-based- LT- Bank Overdraft	-	-	-	-	0.00	Withdrawn
Fund-based - LT- Term Loan	-	-	-	August 2032	0.00	Withdrawn



Annexure-2: Rating history for the last three years

		Current Ratings			Rating History			
Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument/Bank Facilities	Туре	Amount Outstanding (₹ crore)	Rating	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2022- 2023	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2021- 2022	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2020- 2021	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2019-2020
1	Fund-based - LT- Bank Overdraft	LT	-	-	-	1)CARE BBB+; Stable (07-Oct-21)	1)CARE BBB; Stable (07-Oct-20)	1)CARE BBB; Stable (09-Oct-19)
2	Debentures-Non Convertible Debentures	LT	-	-	-	-	-	1)Withdrawn (09-Oct-19)
3	Fund-based - LT- Term Loan	LT	-	-	-	1)CARE BBB+; Stable (07-Oct-21)	1)CARE BBB; Stable (07-Oct-20)	1)CARE BBB; Stable (09-Oct-19)

*Long term/Short term.

Annexure-3: Detailed explanation of the covenants of the rated instruments/facilities: Not Applicable

Annexure-4: Complexity level of various instruments rated for this company

Sr. No.	Name of Instrument	Complexity Level
1	Fund Based – LT-Bank Overdraft	Simple
2	Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	Simple

Annexure-5: Bank lender details for this company

To view the lender wise details of bank facilities please click here

Note on complexity levels of the rated instruments: CARE Ratings has classified instruments rated by it on the basis of complexity. Investors/market intermediaries/regulators or others are welcome to write to care@careedge.in for any clarifications.



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