

Rohan Rajdeep Katol Bypass Infrastructure

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Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	11.34	CARE BB+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Downgraded from CARE BBB-; Stable and moved to ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category
Short Term Bank Facilities	0.81	CARE A4+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Downgraded from CARE A3 and moved to ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1.

*Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information.

Rationale and key rating drivers

CARE Ratings Limited (CARE Ratings) has been seeking information from Rohan Rajdeep Katol Bypass Infrastructure (RRKBI) to monitor the rating vide e-mail communications dated February 13, 2025, February 10, 2025, December 17, 2025, November 11, 2024, among others and numerous phone calls. However, despite repeated requests, RRKBI has not provided requisite information for monitoring ratings.

In line with the extant SEBI guidelines, CARE Ratings has reviewed ratings based on best available information, which in CARE Ratings' opinion is not sufficient to arrive at a fair rating. Ratings on RRKBI's bank facilities will now be denoted as CARE BB+; Stable/ CARE A4+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

Users of this rating (including investors, lenders and public at large) are hence requested to exercise caution while using above rating(s).

Ratings assigned to the bank facilities of RRKBI has been revised on account of non-availability of the requisite information to conduct the review. The ratings continue to remain constrained due to moderate revenues from toll collection, revenue concentration from single vehicle category, inherent traffic risk involved in the toll road projects, inherent interest rate risk on account of floating nature of interest rate for bank debt and absence of any reserves for major maintenance (MM) activity.

The ratings, however, continue to derive strength from the firm being a part of Pune based Rohan Group, long and established track record of the promoters in executing various road projects on Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) basis. The ratings also take into account the medium-term operational track record of the firm and presence of financial flexibility in the form of funded Debt Service Reserve Account DSRA (Fixed Deposits) and long tail period of 6 years.

Analytical approach: Standalone

The analysis also factors in managerial, operational and financial linkages with Rohan Group.

Outlook: Stable

CARE Ratings believes that RRKBI will continue to benefit from the extensive experience of the promoters and management in the industry and continues support from parent.

Detailed description of key rating drivers:

At the time of last rating on March 26, 2024, the following were rating strengths and weaknesses (updated for information available from FY24 financials):

¹Complete definition of ratings assigned are available at www.careedge.in and other CARE Ratings Limited's publications.

Key weaknesses**Moderate and highly concentrated toll revenue with dependence on compensation from MSRDC**

The project generates annual toll income of ₹3-3.50 crore and the absence of any alternate route ensures no revenue leakages. This apart, claim from MSRDC towards compensation for suspension of light motor vehicle (LMV) movement on the stretch forms a part of TOI. However, cashflows excluding LMV claim remained thin and concentrated towards a single vehicle category largely and timely receipt of claim is crucial for debt servicing and any mismatch would result in support requirement from Rohan group.

Inherent traffic risk involved in the toll road projects

For any toll project, there is an inherent risk associated with the sustainability and growth of traffic. As the revenue depends upon the traffic that plies on the stretch, the company is exposed to uncertainties with respect to the revenue.

Inherent risk of Operation & maintenance and interest rates

As per specifications set out in the concession agreement (CA), RRKBI is responsible to operate and maintain the road for its stretch, non-compliance of which could result in penalties being levied by the authority, thereby exposing RRKBI to O&M risk. Further, the firm is also exposed to changes in the interest rate for its balance debt in the books.

Key strengths**Experienced sponsors**

RRKBI is 74% held by Rohan group which also looks after the overall management of the firm while the remaining stake belongs of Rajdeep group. Rohan Rajdeep Tollways Limited (RRTL, rated CARE BBB+; Negative/ CARE A2), Rohan Builders (India) Private Limited (RBIPL, rated CARE A; Stable/ CARE A1) and Rohan Rajdeep Toll Roads Limited (RRTRL, rated CARE A; Stable) are the key partners of the firm. RRTL is a joint venture between Rohan group and Rajdeep group. RBIPL, the flagship company of the Pune-based Rohan group, is engaged in industrial construction like building/structures for various industries. The group is also into real estate development and infrastructure construction businesses. RBIPL was established by Mr. Suhas Lunkad as a proprietary entity in 1992; with increasing scale of operations, it was reconstituted as a private limited company in 1994.

Moderate operational track record

RRKBI has a medium-term operational track record of 12 years. The project has a small stretch of 5.63 km in the state of Maharashtra (Nagpur-Katol-Jalalkheda road on SH 248).

Presence of structural features and a tail period of six years

Actual traffic on the project was similar to the previous year resulting in steady toll revenue during FY24. The presence of financial flexibility in the form of funded DSRA (FDs) which covers nearly 6 months of debt service obligation provides comfort to the rating. The project has a long tail period close to six years which provides adequate cushion to cashflow.

Liquidity: Stretched

Liquidity of RRKBI is stretched as characterized by low cash available for debt servicing obligation ₹3.90 crore for FY25 with dependence of timely receipt of compensation claim from MSRDC and need based funding support from Rohan group for its debt servicing. The firm has DSRA of ₹1.55 crore and cash and balance of Rs.0.06 crore as on March 31, 2024.

Assumptions/Covenants: Not applicable

Environment, social, and governance (ESG) risks: Not applicable

Applicable criteria

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About the company and industry

Industry classification

Macroeconomic indicator	Sector	Industry	Basic industry
Services	Services	Transport Infrastructure	Road Assets–Toll, Annuity, Hybrid-Annuity

Rohan Rajdeep Katol Bypass Infrastructure (RRKBI) is a partnership concern with RRTL (38% stake), RBIPL (26% stake), Rohan Rajdeep Toll Roads Ltd, (RRTRL, 10% stake) and Rajdeep Buildcon Private Limited, Ahmednagar, (RBPL; 26% stake) as partners. RRKBI has been formed for execution of the project awarded by the MSRDC. The project involved construction of 5.63 km Katol bypass on State Highway (SH) - 248 and ramps and approach roads of Railway over Bridge (RoB) (non-railway part) at Katol town in Nagpur, Maharashtra on a Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) basis. The project was implemented at the total cost of ₹44.36 crore (with a debt equity ratio of 2.08x). The commercial operations of the project was scheduled to commence in June 2011, which got delayed due to delay in securing Right of Way (RoW) and final notification for toll commencement by MSRDC as indicated by the management. RRKBI received the toll commencement notification dated April 20, 2014 and commenced toll collection from May 01, 2014.

Brief Financials (₹ crore)	March 31, 2023 (A)	March 31, 2024 (A)
Total operating income	9.05	7.07
PBILDT	3.83	6.29
PAT	0.07	2.27
Overall gearing (times)	0.43	0.28
Interest coverage (times)	2.11	3.61

A: Audited; Note: these are latest available financial results

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

Any other information: Not applicable

Rating history for last three years: Annexure-2

Detailed explanation of covenants of rated instrument / facility: Annexure-3

Complexity level of instruments rated: Annexure-4

Lender details: Annexure-5

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 and Rating Outlook
Fund-based - LT-Term Loan		-	-	May 2026	11.34	CARE BB+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST-BG/LC		-	-	-	0.81	CARE A4+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure-2: Rating history for last three years

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument/Bank Facilities	Current Ratings			Rating History			
		Type	Amount Outstanding (₹ crore)	Rating	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2024-2025	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2023-2024	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2022-2023	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2021-2022
1	Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	LT	11.34	CARE BB+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING *	-	1)CARE BBB-; Stable (26-Mar-24)	1)CARE BBB-; Stable (06-Jan-23)	1)CARE BBB- (CE); Stable (30-Mar-22) 2)CARE BBB- (CE) (CW with Negative Implications) (06-Apr-21)
2	Non-fund-based - ST-BG/LC	ST	0.81	CARE A4+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING *	-	1)CARE A3 (26-Mar-24)	1)CARE A3 (06-Jan-23)	1)CARE A3 (CE) (30-Mar-22) 2)CARE A3 (CE) (CW with Negative Implications) (06-Apr-21)
3	Un Supported Rating-Un Supported Rating (Long Term)	LT	-	-	-	-	1)Withdrawn (06-Jan-23)	1)CARE BB+ (30-Mar-22) 2)CARE BB+ (06-Apr-21)
4	Un Supported Rating-Un Supported Rating (Short Term)	ST	-	-	-	-	1)Withdrawn (06-Jan-23)	1)CARE A4+ (30-Mar-22) 2)CARE A4+ (06-Apr-21)

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LT: Long term; ST: Short term;

Annexure-3: Detailed explanation of covenants of rated instruments/facilities: Not applicable**Annexure-4: Complexity level of instruments rated**

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument	Complexity Level
1	Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	Simple
2	Non-fund-based - ST-BG/LC	Simple

Annexure-5: Lender details

To view the lender wise details of bank facilities please [click here](#)

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

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