

Akme Fintrade (India) Ltd.

March 15, 2018

Ratings

Facilities	Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long term Bank Facilities	59.00	CARE BBB-;Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Triple B Minus; Outlook: Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)	Issuer not cooperating; based on best available information
Fixed Deposit programme	3.00	CARE BBB- (FD);Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Triple B Minus (Fixed Deposit); Outlook: Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)	Issuer not cooperating; based on best available information
Total	62.00 (Rs. Sixty Two crore only)		

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1
**Issuer did not cooperate; Based on best available information*
Detailed Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

CARE has been seeking information from Akme Fintrade (India) Ltd. to monitor the ratings vide e-mail communications/letters dated January 28, 2018, February 05, 2018, February 09, 2018, February 16, 2018, February 24, 2018, February 27, 2018 and numerous phone calls. However, despite our repeated requests, the company has not provided the requisite information for monitoring the ratings. In line with the extant SEBI guidelines, CARE has reviewed the rating on the basis of available information which however, in CARE's opinion is not sufficient to arrive at a fair rating. The rating on Akme Fintrade (India) Ltd.'s bank facilities will now be denoted as **CARE BBB-; Stable ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*** & for fixed deposit instrument as **CARE BBB-(FD); Stable ISSUER NOT COOPERATING***.

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

The rating assigned to bank facilities and Fixed deposit programme of Akme Fintrade (India) Ltd. (AFIL) continues to derive strength from increase in scale of operations with improvement in asset quality during FY17 (refers to the period April 1 to March 31). The rating also draws strength from the experience of promoters of AFIL in various businesses and understanding of local markets and support from other group entities in the similar line of business. The rating also takes into account secured nature of loan portfolio of AFIL, adequate internal control and MIS system and its moderate capital adequacy ratio.

The rating however, continues to remain constrained on account of the moderate product and geographic concentration with low seasoning of loan portfolio, concentrated resource base along with moderate profitability and liquidity.

AFIL's ability to further increase its scale of operations through greater geographical diversification, expansion of resource profile and strengthening of its risk management systems are the key rating sensitivities.

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

At the time of last rating on April 12, 2017 the following were the rating strengths and weaknesses (updated for the information provided by the company).

Key Rating Strengths
Continuous increase in loan portfolio

AFIL's outstanding portfolio has increased by around 70% to Rs.142.80 crore as on March 31, 2017 as compared to Rs.84.19 crore as on March 31, 2016. AFIL reported growth of 70% in its total income in FY17 from FY16 level upon considerable growth in its loan portfolio.

Continuous improvement in asset quality

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The quality of AFIL's loan portfolio improved though remained moderate with a Gross NPA ratio of 1.78% (based on 150 plus dpd) as on March 31, 2016, compared with 2.45% (based on 180 plus dpd) as on March 31, 2015. Net NPA ratio also improved from 1.93% as on March 31, 2015 to 1.44% as on March 31, 2016. Further, the Gross NPA stood at 2.33% (based on 120 plus dpd) as on September 30, 2016 mainly due to better collection efficiency on growing portfolio with net NPA ratio improving to 1.94%. Further, Gross NPA (as per 120+ dpd) and Net NPA stood at 1.72% & 1.42% respectively as on March 31, 2017

Experienced promoters and strong group support

The promoters of the Akme group, Mr. Nirmal Jain and his family members have an experience of over two decades in various lines of business including asset financing through various entities. The promoters have also promoted Akme Fincon Ltd. which is also engaged in two and three wheeler financing in Udaipur and surrounding regions of the city as well as Akme Star Housing Finance Ltd. which is engaged in financing of Housing loans and loan against property in Udaipur and surrounding regions.

Moderate capital adequacy

The capital adequacy ratio (CAR) of AFIL though deteriorated but remained above RBI guidelines of 15%, at 24.31% as on March 31, 2017, compared with 26.02% as on March 31, 2016, with increase in loan portfolio being funded mainly through debt. The promoters have infused equity in FY17.

Key rating Weaknesses

Moderate regional and product concentration

The loan portfolio of AFIL is moderately concentrated in Rajasthan, mainly in the surrounding districts of Udaipur with 82% of portfolio concentrated in Rajasthan as on March 31, 2016. The loan portfolio is moderately diversified with two and three wheeler financing (comprising 69.89% of total O/s as on March 31, 2016), Loan Against Property (LAP) (26.50%) and CV (3.61%).

Moderate profitability and deterioration in capital structure

AFIL's NIM has been declining for last two years mainly because of increase in debt to fund its loan portfolio. ROTA has declined in FY17 mainly because of debt funded growth in loan portfolio during the last quarter of FY17. AFIL's reliance on external debt as a source of funding increased as indicated by overall gearing of 3.54 times as on March 31, 2017, compared with 2.90 times as on March 31, 2016.

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

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About the Company

Incorporated in February 1994 by Mr. Nirmal Kumar Jain and his family members, Akme Fintrade (India) Ltd. (AFIL) is a part of the Akme Group of Udaipur, Rajasthan and is engaged in two and three wheeler financing in regions surrounding Udaipur in Rajasthan. Akme Fincon Ltd. (AFL), another entity of the group, RBI Registered NBFC-ND, is also engaged in vehicle financing with a relatively smaller geographic reach limited to Udaipur. The promoters also have other business interests including housing finance, real estate and automobile dealership through other entities of the group.

(Rs. Crore)

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	FY16 (A)	FY17 (A)
Total operating income	13.23	22.24
PAT	1.94	2.69
Interest coverage (times)	1.47	1.38
Total Assets	96.83	167.62
Net NPA (%)	1.44	1.42
ROTA (%)	2.39	2.04

A: Audited

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: None

Any other information: None

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-Cash Credit	-	-	-	41.00	CARE BBB-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* Issuer not cooperating; Based on best available information
Term Loan-Long Term	-	-	Sept, 2019	18.00	CARE BBB-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* Issuer not cooperating; Based on best available information
Fixed Deposit	-	-	Oct, 2021	3.00	CARE BBB- (FD); Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* Issuer not cooperating; Based on best available information

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Annexure-2: Rating History of last three years

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument/Bank Facilities	Current Ratings			Rating history			
		Type	Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2017-2018	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2016-2017	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2015-2016	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2014-2015
1.	Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	LT	41.00	CARE BBB-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	1)CARE BBB-; Stable (12-Apr-17)	1)CARE BBB-; Stable (22-Mar-17)	1)CARE BB+ (15-Jul-15)	1)Suspended (25-Mar-15)
2.	Term Loan-Long Term	LT	18.00	CARE BBB-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	1)CARE BBB-; Stable (12-Apr-17)	1)CARE BBB-; Stable (22-Mar-17)	1)CARE BB+ (15-Jul-15)	-
3.	Fixed Deposit	LT	3.00	CARE BBB- (FD); Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	1)CARE BBB- (FD); Stable (12-Apr-17)	-	-	-

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