

CARE ASSIGNS 'CARE BBB-' AND 'PR3' RATINGS TO THE BANK FACILITIES OF DHANSAR ENGG CO. PVT. LTD.

Ratings

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (Rs. crore)	Ratings ¹	Remarks
Long-term Bank Facilities	95.7	'CARE BBB-' (Triple B Minus)	Assigned
Short-term Bank Facilities	38.0	'PR3' (PR Three)	Assigned
Long-term loan from Non- banking finance companies	91.7	'CARE BBB-' (Triple B Minus)	Assigned
Short-term loan from Non- banking finance companies	1.0	'PR3' (PR Three)	Assigned
Total Facilities	226.4		

Rating Rationale

The ratings derive strength from the experience of the promoters, successful track record in coal mining related activities, healthy order book position and reputed clientele. The ratings are however, constrained by closely held nature of the company with small size of operations, capital intensive nature of business and high gearing ratios with low interest coverage. Ability of the company to secure orders regularly from coal companies as well as private miners and maintain healthy order book position, timely and successful completion of contracts, ability to scale up operation and increase profitability on a sustainable basis are the key rating sensitivities.

Company Profile

Dhansar Engineering Company Private Ltd. (DECO), belonging to Agarwalla family of Dhanbad, was incorporated in 1955 by Shri Basant Kumar Agarwalla, with the objective of carrying out iron foundry business. After remaining dormant for over four decades, DECO started civil construction activities in 1998. From 2003 onwards, the company forayed into contract coal mining activities (open cast) and is, currently, into activities like site leveling, excavation, evacuation, surface mining, drilling & blasting.

DECO is currently operational in the coal and zinc mining areas for rendering the services such as coal mining and zinc mining, removal of overburden, transportation services in relation to mining, site levelling and grading, heavy earth moving equipments on hire to other contractors and slurry evacuation (washery waste), loading and transporting.

¹ Complete definitions of the ratings assigned are available at www.careratings.com and in other CARE publications.



Press Release

DECO earned PBILDT of Rs.49.5 crore (Rs.26.8 crore in FY08) and PAT (after defd. tax) of Rs.4.8 crore (Rs.2.4 crore in FY08) on net revenue of Rs.183.3 crore (Rs.125.1 crore in FY08) in FY09. GCA level stood at a moderate level of Rs.35.4 crore in FY09.

Both debt-equity and overall gearing ratios were high, as on the last three account closing dates. Interest coverage was low at 1.43 for FY09.

Liquidity position of the company as reflected in the current ratio has all along been low due to substantial term loan repayment obligation.

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