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CARE REAFFIRMS THE RATINGS ASSIGNED TO THE BANK FACILITIES OF JASH ENGINEERING LIMITED

Ratings

Facilities	Amount (Rs. crore)	Ratings[1]	Remarks
Long-term Bank Facilities	39	**CARE BBB+ (Triple B Plus)**	**Reaffirmed**
Short-term Bank Facilities	5.56	**CARE A2 (A Two)**	**Reaffirmed**
Long-term/ Short-term Bank Facilities	32.50	**CARE BBB+/CARE A2 (Triple B Plus / A Two)**	**Reaffirmed**
Total Facilities	**77.06 (Rupees Seventy Seven crore and Six lakh only)**		

Rating Rationale

The ratings of the bank facilities of Jash Engineering Limited (JEL) continue to derive strength from the vast experience of its promoters and established track record of operations in manufacturing of equipment's used in water/waste water management along with technical and financial collaboration with various global valve manufacturers as well as having a diversified clientele. The ratings also factor growth in its scale of operations along with healthy profitability margins, comfortable leverage and moderate debt coverage indicators.

The ratings, however, continue to be constrained by its moderate scale of operations, susceptibility of margins to volatility in raw material prices as well as foreign exchange rate, working capital-intensive nature of its operations and presence in an inherently cyclical and competitive industry.

JEL's ability to increase its scale of operations by leveraging upon its technical collaborations as well as increasing its reach by catering to wider market while maintaining its profitability margins and comfortable capital structure would be the key rating sensitivities.

Background

Indore-based Jash group was founded in 1973 by Mr Jashbhai Patel. The group is engaged in the manufacturing of varied engineering products for water & waste water industry and bulk solids handling equipment (for cement, paper, fertilizers, chemicals, etc). JEL, the flagship company of the group, is an ISO-9001:2008 company which manufactures water control gates, knife gate valves, fine and coarse screening equipment, bulk solids handling valves, large-sized cast iron (C.I.) castings, archimedean screw pumps and hydro power turbine generators. JEL has a track record of supplying products to seven different World Bank aided projects in India. JEL operates out of three manufacturing units located at Sanwar Road, Pithampur, and Bardari in Indore region, Madhya Pradesh, India.

During FY12 (refers to the period April 1 to March 31), JEL acquired 100% shareholding of Chennai-based Shivpad Engineers Pvt. Ltd (SEPL). SEPL designs & manufactures clariflocculators, degritters, etc, which are used in the water treatment, waste water treatment and sewage treatment plants. During FY13, JEL received private equity (PE) investment of Rs.22.75 crore from Pragati India Fund (PIF), an India-focused PE fund. PIF's principal investors are two Development Finance Institutions (DFIs): IFC, the investment arm of the World Bank, and CDC of UK. As already planned, during FY15,

[1] *Complete definition of the ratings assigned are available at www.careratings.com and other CARE publications*

JEL acquired 100% stake in Mahr Maschinenbau Gesellschaft m.b.H, Austria to gain access to its technology and entry in markets where Mahr Maschinenbau has established its presence over the years (especially in the South East and Far East Asian markets).

During FY15 (Audited) JEL reported a PAT Rs.7.94 crore on a total operating income (TOI) of Rs.111.67 crore as against a PAT of Rs.8.02 crore on a TOI of Rs.105.95 crore during FY14. As per the provisional results for Q1FY16, JEL reported net sales of Rs.19.83 crore.

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