

K. P. Industries

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Rating

Facilities	Amount (Rs. Crore)	Rating ¹	Remarks	
Long-term Bank Facilities	9.69 (reduced from 10.45)	CARE B; Stable (Single B; Outlook: Stable)	Suspension revoked and rating re- affirmed	
Total Facilities	9.69 (Rupees Nine crore and Sixty Nine lakh only)			

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure - I

Detailed Rationale

The rating assigned to the bank facilities of K.P. Industries (KPI) is constrained primarily on account of its modest scale of operations, thin profit margins, leveraged capital structure and weak debt coverage indicators during FY16 (refers to the period April 1 to March 31). The rating is also constrained on account of its partnership nature of constitution, working capital intensive nature of operations in a fragmented and competitive rice processing industry and exposure to the risk associated with government regulations.

The rating, however, derives strength from the vast experience of the promoters into rice processing industry and its presence in paddy-growing areas which provides location advantage.

The ability of KPI to increase its scale of operation along with improvement in profitability by managing risks associated with raw material price fluctuation and improve its solvency position via efficient management of working capital are the key rating sensitivities.

Detailed description of key rating drivers

KPI's promoters carry a reasonable experience in the rice milling business. The total operating income (TOI) of KPI has remained stable in FY16 at Rs.52.01 crore which was almost in line with FY15. Profit margins of KPI remained low and almost in line with previous year, due to low-value addition processing operations of KPI.

With an increase in the level of tangible net worth, the capital structure of KPI improved marginally and continued to remain leveraged as on March 31, 2016. Furthermore, debt protection metrics deteriorated and continued to remain weak as on March 31, 2016. Resultantly, average working capital utilization remained full for the past 12 months ended December 2016 while its operating cycle also stood moderately high at 88 days in FY16.

Analytical Approach – Standalone Applicable Criteria

Criteria on assigning Outlook to Credit Ratings

CARE's Policy on Default Recognition

CARE's methodology for manufacturing companies

Financial ratios - Non-Financial Sector

About the Firm

Established in the year 2009, Ahmedabad-based K.P. Industries (KPI) is a partnership firm engaged in the processing of non-basmati rice. Key partners include Mr Dhaval Prajapati and Mr Atul Prajapati who manage the day-to-day operations. As on March 31, 2016, it had a total installed capacity of 69,120 Metric Tonnes per annum and operates through its sole manufacturing unit at Kheda.

During FY16, KPI reported a total operating income (TOI) of Rs.52.01 crore with a PAT of Rs.0.19 crore as against TOI of Rs.51.04 crore with a PAT of Rs.0.18 crore in FY15. During 9MFY17 (Provisional), KPI reported a TOI of Rs.32.36 crore.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: Not Applicable

Rating History (Last three years): Please refer Annexure - II

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Annexure I

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-Term Loan	-	-	July, 2018	0.19	CARE B; Stable
Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	-	-	-	9.50	CARE B; Stable

Annexure II

Rating History for last three years :-

Sr.	Name of the	Current Ratings			Rating history			
No.	Instrument/Bank Facilities	Type	Amount Outstanding	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s)	Date(s) & Rating(s)	Date(s) & Rating(s)	Date(s) & Rating(s)
			(Rs. crore)		assigned in 2016-	assigned in	assigned in	assigned in
					2017	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014
1.	Fund-based - LT-Term	LT	0.19	CARE B;	1)Suspended	1)CARE B	-	-
	Loan			Stable	(30-Dec-16)	(18-Aug-15)		
2.	Fund-based - LT-Cash	LT	9.50	CARE B;	1)Suspended	1)CARE B	-	-
	Credit			Stable	(30-Dec-16)	(18-Aug-15)		



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