

Raja Motors Bathinda

June 29, 2020

Rating

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (Rs. crore)	Ratings ¹	Ratings Action
Long-term Bank Facilities	8.63	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Single B Minus; Outlook: Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)	Issuer not cooperating; Revised from CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING (Single B; Outlook: Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING) on the basis of best available information
Total	8.63 (Rupees Eight crore and Sixty Three lakh only)		

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

CARE had, vide its press release dated March 29, 2019, placed the rating of Raja Motors Bathinda (RMB) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as RMB had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating. RMB continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter dated June 15, 2020. In line with the extant SEBI guidelines, CARE has reviewed the rating on the basis of the best available information which however, in CARE's opinion is not sufficient to arrive at a fair rating.

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

The rating has been revised by taking into account of non-availability of requisite information due to non-cooperation by Raja Motors Bathinda with CARE's efforts to undertake a review of the outstanding rating as CARE views information availability risk as a key factor in its assessment of credit risk. The ratings continue to remain constrained by RMB's limited bargaining power with the principal manufacturer, presence in a highly competitive automobile dealership industry and fortune of the firm linked with growth of principal automobile manufacturers. The ratings, however, derive strength from experienced promoters along with established track record of operations in the dealership industry and association with an established player- Hyundai Motor India Limited (HMIL).

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

Key Rating Weaknesses

Limited bargaining power with principal manufacturer with fortune linked to the growth of principal automobile manufacturers: RMB is an authorized dealer of Hyundai Motor India Limited (HMIL). The margin on products is pre-decided at a particular level by the principal manufacturer viz. HMIL, thereby restricting the firm's ability to earn incremental income. Though the firm is an authorized dealer of HMIL, any unfavorable event affecting the growth plans of the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) themselves will have a significant impact on the performance of RMB.

Presence in a highly competitive automobile dealership industry: Indian auto dealership business is highly fragmented and competitive with presence of large number of auto dealers catering to different brands. Entry of global players in the Indian market has further intensified competition.

Key Rating Strengths

Experienced promoters in dealership industry along with established track record of operations and association with established player-HMIL: RMB is an authorized dealer of HMIL since 2008, thus having a long track record of a decade. Mr. Om Parkash Makkar, Mr. Rajesh Makkar and Ms. Rupesha Rani are the key promoters of the RMB, who look after overall operation of the firm and hold experience of more than a decade each in the automobile dealership business. Apart from RMB, Mr. Om Parkash Makkar, Mr. Rajesh Makkar and Ms. Rupesha Rani are promoters of other entities named AVC Motors, AVC Motors- Muktsar, Raja Motors Sirsa (RMS; CARE B-; Stable/CARE A4; Issuer Not Cooperating) and Raja Motors (Fatehabad).

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

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Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

[Policy in respect of Non-cooperation by issuer](#)

[Criteria on assigning 'outlook' and 'credit watch' to Credit Ratings](#)

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About the Firm

Punjab-based RMB was established in 2008 by Mr. Om Parkash Makkar, Mr. Rajesh Makkar and Ms. Rupesha Rani as a partnership firm. RMB works as an authorized dealer of personal vehicles for Hyundai Motor India Limited (HMIL) from its own showroom and sells spare parts as well, in Bathinda itself. The associate concerns of RMB include AVC Motors- which operates a dealership of Mahindra & Mahindra for the passenger vehicle and commercial vehicle segments in Bathinda; AVC Motors- Muktsar, which operates a dealership of Mahindra & Mahindra for the passenger vehicle and utility vehicle segments in Muktsar; Raja Motors Sirsa (RMS; CARE B-; Stable/CARE A4; Issuer Not Cooperating) which is an authorised dealer of personal vehicles for HMIL in Sirsa, and Raja Motors (Fatehabad) which is an authorised dealer of personal vehicles for HMIL in Fatehabad.

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	FY16 (A)	FY17 (A)
Total operating income	62.04	58.00
PBILDT	2.03	2.07
PAT	0.05	0.07
Overall gearing (times)	1.41	1.47
Interest coverage (times)	1.34	1.37

A: Audited

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

Any other information: Not applicable

Rating History for last three years: Please refer Annexure-2

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-Term Loan	-	-	March-2023	0.13	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* Issuer not cooperating; Revised from CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* on the basis of best available information
Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	-	-	-	6.50	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* Issuer not cooperating; Revised from CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* on the basis of best available information
Fund-based - LT-Bank Overdraft	-	-	-	2.00	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* Issuer not cooperating; Revised from CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* on the basis of 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 2020-2021	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2019-2020	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2018-2019	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2017-2018
1.	Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	LT	0.13	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* Issuer not cooperating; Revised from CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* on the basis of best available information	-	-	1)CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (29-Mar-19) 2)CARE B+; Stable (15-May-18)	-
2.	Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	LT	6.50	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* Issuer not cooperating; Revised from CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* on the basis of best available information	-	-	1)CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (29-Mar-19) 2)CARE B+; Stable (15-May-18)	-
3.	Fund-based - LT-Bank Overdraft	LT	2.00	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* Issuer not cooperating; Revised from CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* on the basis of best available information	-	-	1)CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (29-Mar-19) 2)CARE B+; Stable (15-May-18)	-

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