

Sri Raja Vinayagar Mills

October 20, 2020

Rating

| Facilities / Instruments | Amount (Rs. crore) | Rating ¹ | Rating Action |
|----------------------------|--|--|---|
| Long Term Bank Facilities | 24.07 | CARE B-; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Single B Minus ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*) | Issuer not cooperating; Revised from CARE B; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Single B ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*) on the basis of best available information |
| Short Term Bank Facilities | 3.00 | CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (A Four ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*) | Issuer not cooperating; Based on best available information |
| Total Facilities | 27.07 (Rs. Twenty-Seven Crore and Seven Lakhs Only) | | |

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

CARE had, vide its press release dated August 13, 2019, placed the rating(s) of Sri Raja Vinayagar Mills (SRVM) under the 'Issuer non-cooperating' category as SRVM had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating. SRVM continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and email dated October 12, 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.

The rating has been revised by taking into account of non-availability of requisite information due to non-cooperation by SRVM 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.

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

At the time of last rating on August 13, 2019 the following were the rating strengths and weaknesses

Key Rating Weakness

Relatively small albeit growing scale of operations and capital withdrawal risk associated with partnership nature of the firm

The scale of operations of SRVM is relatively small with a total income of Rs.74 crore during FY15. However, the total revenue of the firm has increased over the years. With gradual addition of capacity and improvement in utilization levels, the firm's total income increased from Rs.52.1 crore in FY12 to Rs.74.3 crore in FY15 registering a CAGR of 12.56%. The present manufacturing unit was set up as a green-field unit in 2003. The firm being a partnership concern is exposed to inherent risk of capital withdrawal by the partners, due to its business constitution. However, the partners have not withdrawn capital in the three years ended March 2014. Going forward, ability of the firm to support its scale of operations without hampering its leverage position will be critical to the financial prospects of the firm. Any substantial withdrawal of partners' capital account could impact the net worth and thereby alter the financial profile of the firm.

Volatile raw material prices impacting profit margin

The prices of cotton and cotton yarn are governed by various factors such as area under cultivation, monsoon, export quota fixed by the government, international demand-supply situation, etc. The firm procures cotton mostly on cash basis from Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Karnataka etc. It also procures around 10% of its raw material requirement through Letter of Credit (LC). Domestic prices for various varieties of raw cotton have followed a declining trend in the past mainly on account of decline in exports due to falling demand from China. Cotton being the major raw material of spinning mills like SRVM, movement in cotton prices without parallel movement in yarn prices impact their profitability. The cotton textile industry is inherently prone to the volatility in cotton and yarn prices.

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

*Issuer did not cooperate; Based on best available information

Competitive nature of the industry

SRVM operates in the textile industry, with large number of organized and unorganized players. This competitive nature of the industry segment restricts pricing flexibility, entailing thin operating margins for the companies present within this segment. Moreover, due to high degree of fragmentation, small players hold very low bargaining power against both its customers as well as its suppliers resulting in such companies operating at very thin profit margins. Going forward, ability of SRVM to manufacture value added fabrics and integrate its production activity will have a positive impact on its margins.

Key rating strengths

Experience of the partners in the textile business

The partners of SRVM have around two decades of experience in the cotton textile industry. Before starting SRVM, Mr Saminathan was engaged in merchant export of textile garments. The partners established SRVM with an installed capacity of 6,000 spindles in November, 2003. The firm expanded its operations in three phases over the years and the last expansion was completed in September 2011, with an addition of 6,000 spindles. The day-to-day operations of the firm are managed by Mr Saminathan, who also oversees the export sales. Mr Palanisamy manages the domestic sales and Mr. Thilak (son of Mr Saminathan and partner in SRVM) takes care of finance activities.

Established relationship with reputed clients

The firm has been in this business for over a decade and over the period of time has established good relationship with various reputed companies. Furthermore, as a value addition process, the firm started manufacturing of grey cotton fabric from the year 2009. Since then, the firm has established good relationships with various reputed garment companies based out of Tirupur and Kolkata. During FY14 (refers to the period April 1 to March 31), the sale of grey fabric contributed 49% to the total income of SRVM and its share increased to 80% in FY15. The top 3 clients of the firm generated around 50% of the total income during FY15. Added to this, though export revenue contributes 16% of the total revenues, the firm has strengthened its customer base over the years in the export market as well.

Analytical Approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

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About the Firm

Sri Raja Vinayagar Mills (SRVM) is a Coimbatore-based partnership firm engaged in manufacturing and sale of cotton yarn and grey cotton fabric. The firm was promoted in 2003 by Mr. R Saminathan and his brother-in-law, Mr. C. Palanisamy, each with over 20 years of experience in cotton textile industry. SRVM started its operations with an installed capacity of 6,000 spindles and undertook expansion in a phased manner. The firm has an installed capacity of 25,500 spindles as on March 31, 2015. SRVM manufactures cotton yarn in the 40's count. The firm outsources grey cotton fabric manufacturing to local job work companies and supplies the final fabric to various knitting units in Tirupur and Kolkata.

| Brief Financials (Rs. crore) | FY14 (A) | FY15 (P) |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Total operating income | 71.20 | 74.30 |
| PBILDT | 9.00 | 8.70 |
| PAT | 2.30 | 2.50 |
| Overall gearing (times) | 1.26 | 1.19 |
| Interest coverage (times) | 1.83 | 1.96 |

A-Audited: P-Provisional

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: NA

Any other information: Not Applicable

Rating History (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-Cash Credit | - | - | - | 15.00 | CARE B-; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* |
| Fund-based - LT-Term Loan | - | - | -** | 9.07 | CARE B-; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* |
| Non-fund-based - ST-ILC/FLC | - | - | - | 3.00 | CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* |

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** updated loan closure date not available

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-Cash Credit | LT | 15.00 | CARE B-; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* | - | 1)CARE B; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (13-Aug-19) | 1)CARE B+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (06-Jun-18) | - |
| 2. | Fund-based - LT-Term Loan | LT | 9.07 | CARE B-; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* | - | 1)CARE B; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (13-Aug-19) | 1)CARE B+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (06-Jun-18) | - |
| 3. | Non-fund-based - ST-ILC/FLC | ST | 3.00 | CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* | - | 1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (13-Aug-19) | 1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (06-Jun-18) | - |

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Annexure-3: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instrument / facilities- Information not available**Annexure 4: Complexity level of various instruments rated for this Firm**

| Sr. No. | Name of the Instrument | Complexity Level |
|---------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 1. | Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit | Simple |
| 2. | Fund-based - LT-Term Loan | Simple |
| 3. | Non-fund-based - ST-ILC/FLC | Simple |

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