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## Lendingkart Finance Limited: Rating withdrawn for instrument backed by unsecured small business loan receivables securitisation transaction

### Summary of rating action

Trust Name	Instrument*	Initial Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Amount O/s after Last Surveillance (Rs. crore)	Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
Aspire MSME Trust January 2022	PTC Series A	114.92	29.95	0.00	[ICRA]BBB+(SO); Withdrawn

\*Instrument details are provided in Annexure I

### Rationale

ICRA has withdrawn the ratings for pass through certificates (PTCs) issued under unsecured small business loan receivables securitisation transactions originated by Lendingkart Finance Limited (Lendingkart/Originator; rated [ICRA]BBB+(Positive)). All the payouts to the investors in the above-mentioned instruments have been made and no further payments are due to the investors.

The key rating drivers, liquidity position, rating sensitivities have not been captured as the rating assigned to the instruments have been withdrawn. The previous detailed rating rationales of previous rating exercise is available at the following link: [Click here](#)

### Analytical approach

Analytical Approach	Comments
Applicable Rating Methodologies	<a href="#">ICRA's Policy on Withdrawal of Credit Rating</a>
Parent/Group Support	Not Applicable
Consolidation/Standalone	Not Applicable

### About the originator

Lendingkart Finance Limited (formerly Aadri Infin Limited) is a Lendingkart Group company, which is registered as an NBFC and provides unsecured SME loans. Lendingkart Technologies Private Limited (LTPL) is the technology arm of the Ahmedabad-based Lendingkart Group and holds 100% stake in LFL. The Group was started in 2014 by co-founders, Mr. Harshvardhan Lunia and Mr. Mukul Sachan, and raised funds from Fullerton Financial Holdings (FFH), Saama Capital, Mayfield India, India Quotient, Bertelsmann India Investments, Sistema Asia Fund and Darren Capital Management. The Lendingkart Group is a part of the evolving fintech industry and it leverages technology to underwrite credit to the SME segment, which is difficult for traditional banks and NBFCs to access. Loans are given to microenterprises for meeting their working capital needs. The underwriting is based on the scoring by a proprietary algorithm. As on March 31, 2023, the company has been able to add considerable number of new clients by increasing its reach and product offerings.

### Key financial indicators (standalone)

	FY2022	FY2023	Q1FY2024
	Audited	Audited	unaudited
Total income	639	824	242
Profit after tax	(141)	116	26
Total Managed assets	3,908	6,007	6,670
Gross stage 3	3.9%	2.6%	2.7%
CRAR	25.9%	36.0%	35.0%

Source: Lendingkart, ICRA Research; All ratios as per ICRA's calculations; Amount in Rs. crore

### Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

### Any other information: None

### Rating history for past three years

Sr. No.	Trust Name	Instrument	Initial Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore)	Current Rating (FY2024)		Chronology of Rating History for the Past 3 Years			
					Date & Rating in FY2024		Date & Rating in FY2023	Date & Rating in FY2022	Date & Rating in FY2021	
					Mar 20, 2024	May 15, 2023				
1	Aspire MSME Trust January 2022	PTC Series A	114.92	0.00	[ICRA]BBB+(SO); Withdrawn	[ICRA]BBB+(SO)	[ICRA]BBB+(SO)	Provisional [ICRA]BBB+(SO)	-	-

### Complexity level of the rated instrument

Trust Name	Instrument	Complexity Indicator
Aspire MSME Trust January 2022	PTC Series A	Moderately Complex

The Complexity Indicator refers to the ease with which the returns associated with the rated instrument could be estimated. It does not indicate the risk related to the timely payments on the instrument, which is rather indicated by the instrument's credit rating. It also does not indicate the complexity associated with analysing an entity's financial, business, industry risks or complexity related to the structural, transactional, or legal aspects. Details on the complexity levels of the instruments, is available on ICRA's website [Click here](#)

#### Annexure I: Instrument details

Sr. No.	Trust Name	Instrument Name	Date of Issuance / Sanction	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Amount Rated (Rs. Crore)	Current Rating
1	Aspire MSME Trust January 2022	PTC Series A	January 2022	13.00%	July 2024	0.00	[ICRA]BBB+(SO); Withdrawn

Source: Company

#### Annexure II: List of entities considered for consolidated analysis

Not Applicable

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