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Kaabil Finance Private Limited: Rating confirmed as final for PTCs backed by secured business loan receivables issued by Indigo 042

Summary of rating action

Trust name	Instrument*	Rated amount (Rs. crore)	Rating action	
Indigo 042	Series A PTCs	6.22	[ICRA]A(SO); provisional rating confirmed as final	

*Instrument details are provided in Annexure I

Rationale

In July 2025, ICRA had assigned a Provisional [ICRA]A(SO) rating to the pass-through certificates issued by Indigo 042. The Series A PTCs are backed by a pool of secured business loan receivables originated by Kaabil Finance Private Limited (KFPL/Originator) with an aggregate principal outstanding of Rs. 7.23 crore (pool receivables of Rs. 12.78 crore). KFPL is also the Servicer for the rated transaction.

Since the executed transaction documents are in line with the rating conditions and the legal opinion for the transaction has been provided to ICRA, the said rating has now been confirmed as final.

Transaction structure

As per the transaction structure, the monthly cash flow schedule comprises the promised interest payout. The principal is expected to be paid on a monthly basis (100% of the pool principal billed) but is promised on the final maturity date. After meeting the promised and expected payouts, 50% of any surplus excess interest spread (EIS) will be used for accelerating the principal redemption of Series A PTC and 50% will be used by the trustee for each payout. In case of an EIS trigger event, the entire EIS available in the structure will be used for the accelerated redemption of PTC Series A. Any prepayment in the pool would be used for the prepayment of Series A PTC principal.

The credit enhancement available in the structure is in the form of (i) a cash collateral (CC) of 7.00% of the initial pool principal, amounting to Rs. 0.51 crore, provided by the Originator, (ii) principal subordination in the form of an equity tranche of 14.00% of the initial pool principal for Series A PTCs, and (iii) the EIS of 56.62% of the initial pool principal for Series A PTCs.

Key rating drivers and their description

Credit strengths

Granular pool supported by availability of credit enhancement – The pool is granular, consisting of 218 obligors, with the top 10 obligors accounting for ~12% of the pool principal as on the cut-off date, thereby reducing the exposure to any single borrower.

No overdue contracts in the pool – The pool has been filtered in such a manner that there were no overdue contracts as on the cut-off date.

Contracts backed by self-occupied residential properties – The entire pool is backed by self-occupied residential properties. This is expected to support the quality of the pool as it has been observed that borrowers tend to prioritise repayments towards such loans even during financial stress.



Credit challenges

Limited track record of servicing ability – Although KFPL started its operations in FY2018, its disbursements picked up from FY2023. Hence, the company is in a nascent stage of operations and is yet to establish a long vintage of servicing loans.

High geographical concentration – As on March 31, 2025, KFPL was operating only in Rajasthan. Hence, the entire pool is geographically concentrated with a single state, viz. Rajasthan, accounting for the total principal amount. The pool's performance would thus be exposed to any state-wide disruption that may occur due to natural calamities, political events, etc.

Risks associated with lending business – The pool's performance would remain exposed to macro-economic shocks, business disruptions and natural calamities that may impact the income-generating capability of the borrowers and their ability to make timely repayments of their loans.

Key rating assumptions

ICRA's cash flow modelling for the rating of securitisation transactions involves the simulation of potential losses, delinquencies and prepayment in the pool. The losses and prepayments are assumed to follow a log-normal distribution. The assumptions for the losses and the coefficient of variation are considered on the basis of the values observed from the analysis of the past performance of the Originator's loan portfolio as well as the characteristics of the specific pool being evaluated. The resulting collections from the pool, after incorporating the impact of the losses and prepayments, are accounted for in ICRA's cash flow model, in accordance with the cash flow waterfall of the transaction.

For the current pool, ICRA has estimated the shortfall in the pool principal collection during its tenure at 6.25% with certain variability around it. The average prepayment rate for the underlying pool is modelled in the range of 7.2% to 27.0% per annum. Various possible scenarios have been simulated at stressed loss levels and prepayment rates and the incidences of default to the investor as well as the extent of losses are measured after factoring in the credit enhancement to arrive at the final rating for the instrument.

Details of key counterparties

The key counterparties in the rated transaction are as follows:

Transaction name	Indigo 042		
Originator	Kaabil Finance Private Limited		
Servicer	Kaabil Finance Private Limited		
Trustee	Catalyst Trusteeship Limited		
CC holding bank	IDFC First Bank		
Collection and payout account bank	ICICI Bank Limited		

Liquidity position: Superior

The liquidity for Series A PTCs is superior after factoring in the credit enhancement available to meet the promised payout to the investor. The total credit enhancement would be more than 9 times the estimated loss in the pool.

Rating sensitivities

Positive factors – The sustained strong collection performance of the underlying pool of contracts (monthly collection efficiency >95%), leading to lower-than-expected delinquency levels, and an increase in the cover available for future investor payouts from the credit enhancement would result in a rating upgrade.



Negative factors – The sustained weak collection performance of the underlying pool of contracts (monthly collection efficiency <90%), leading to higher-than-expected delinquency levels and higher credit enhancement utilisation levels, would result in a rating downgrade. Weakening in the credit profile of the servicer could also exert pressure on the rating.

Analytical approach

The rating action is based on the trustee confirming compliance with the terms of the transaction and the executed transaction documents being in line with the terms initially shared with ICRA.

Analytical approach	Comments	
Applicable rating methodologies	Rating Methodology for Securitisation Transactions	
Parent/Group support	Not applicable	
Consolidation/Standalone	Not applicable	

About the originator

Kaabil Finance Private Limited (KFPL) operates in the secured micro, small and medium enterprise (MSME) segment across India's tier 3/4/5+ towns, mainly focusing on the gram panchayat, tehsil or up-tehsil level. As a dedicated non-deposit taking non-banking financial company (NBFC), it specialises in providing secured business loans, particularly loan against property (LAP), tailored to meet the needs of small shopkeepers, vendors, and nano-entrepreneurs in rural India. The company commenced operations in 2017, offering secured business loans with a typical loan ticket size of Rs. 2-15 lakh and an average ticket size of Rs. 3-3.5 lakh. Its loans are predominantly backed by self-occupied residential properties. As on March 31, 2025, KFPL had more than 72 branches across 29 districts in Rajasthan.

Key financial indicators (standalone)

Kaabil Finance Private Limited	FY2023 (audited)	FY2024 (audited)	FY2025 (provisional)	
Total income	15.73	30.49	59.0	
Profit after tax	2.08	2.29	2.70	
Total managed assets	38.40	58.20	265.00	
Gross NPA	1.11	5.29	8.95	
CRAR	50.47	31.01	45.00	

Source: ICRA Research; Amount in Rs. crore

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

		Current rating (FY2026)			Chronology of rating history for the past 3 years		
Trust name	Instrument	Amount rated (Rs. crore)	Date & rating in FY2026		Date & rating in FY2025	Date & rating in FY2024	Date & rating in FY2023
			July 07, 2025	July 02, 2025	-	-	-
Indigo 042	Series A PTCs	6.22	[ICRA]A(SO)	Provisional [ICRA]A(SO)	-	-	-



Complexity level of the rated instrument

Instrument	Complexity indicator		
Series A PTCs	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 are available on ICRA's website: <u>Click here</u>



Annexure I: Instrument details

Trust name	Instrument	Date of issuance/ Sanction	Coupon rate (p.a.p.m.)	Maturity date	Amount rated (Rs. crore)	Current rating
Indigo 042	Series A PTCs	June 30, 2025	13.00%	October 20, 2031	6.22	[ICRA]A(SO)

Source: Company

Annexure II: List of entities considered for consolidated analysis

Not applicable



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