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WheelsEMI Private Limited: Rating withdrawn for PTCs issued under a vehicle loan securitisation transaction

Summary of rating action

Trust Name	Instrument*	Initial Rated Amount (Rs. Crore)	Previous Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
Sakura 09 2024	Series A1 PTC	22.83	1.09	0.00	[ICRA]A+(SO); Withdrawn

*Instrument details are provided in Annexure II

Rationale

ICRA has withdrawn the rating for the pass-through certificates (PTCs) issued under vehicle loan receivables originated by WheelsEMI Private Limited {WheelsEMI/ Originator; rated [ICRA]BBB(Negative)}, as tabulated above. 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liquidity position and rating sensitivities have not been captured as the rating assigned to the instrument has been withdrawn. The previous detailed rating rationale of surveillance exercise is available at this [link](#).

Analytical approach

Analytical Approach	Comments
Applicable rating methodologies	ICRA's Policy on Withdrawal of Credit Rating
Parent/Group support	Not Applicable
Consolidation/Standalone	Not Applicable

About the originator

WheelsEMI is a Pune based, registered non-deposit taking NBFC which provides financing for new as well as pre-owned two-wheelers and EV 3-wheelers. The company is promoted by Mr. Srinivas Kantheti and Mr. V Karunakaran who acquired Vardnarayan Savings and Investment Co Pvt Ltd., a small finance company based in Nanded, Maharashtra with a loan book of Rs. 35 lakh (at the time of acquisition) in 2017. WheelsEMI provides financing for low-income customers. Bike Bazaar Finance is the brand name of WheelsEMI Private Limited.

The company also has a 100% subsidiary named BluBird Auto Trade Private Limited, which was incorporated in April 2019. Blubird Auto Trade started its operations with purchasing, refurbishing and selling pre-owned two wheelers. However, now its primary business is leasing/ renting of e-2-wheelers. Its customer base mainly consists of riders working for delivery apps.

Key financial indicators

WheelsEMI	FY2024	FY2025	H1FY2026*
	Audited	Audited	Provisional
Total Income	253	305	135
Profit after Tax	1	3	0.4
Total managed assets	1,636	1,834	1,633

Gross Stage 3 %/NPA**	5.4%	1.5%	2.6%
Capital-to-risk weighted asset ratio (CRAR)	37.6%	22.5%	22.9%

Source: Company, ICRA Research; * Provisional numbers; All ratios as per ICRA's calculations; Amount in Rs. Crore; **on book

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

Trust Name	Instrument	Current Rating (FY2027)		Chronology of Rating History				
		Initial Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Date & Rating in FY2027	Date & Rating in FY2026	Date & Rating in FY2025		Date & Rating in FY2024
				Apr 24, 2026	Feb 27, 2026	Feb 24, 2025	Oct 04, 2024	-
Sakura 09 2024	Series A1 PTC	22.83	0.00	[ICRA]A+(SO); withdrawn	[ICRA]A+(SO)	[ICRA]A-(SO)	Provisional [ICRA]A-(SO)	-

^Initial ratings assigned

Annexure I: Disclosure pursuant to the SEBI Circular SEBI/HO/DDHS/DDHS-PoD-2/I/4685/2026 dated February 10,202

ICRA rated Instruments fall under regulatory purview of various Financial Sector Regulators (FSR) as under:

Sr. No.	Instrument	FSR
1	Listed/Proposed to be listed Bonds/Debentures/Preference Shares (all securities)	SEBI
2	Unlisted/Proposed to be unlisted Bonds/Debentures/ Preference share (all securities)	MCA
3	Listed PTCs / Securitisation Notes (originated by entities regulated by RBI) (*)	SEBI
4	Listed PTCs / Securitisation Notes (originated by entities not regulated by RBI) (*)	SEBI
5	Unlisted PTCs / Securitisation Notes (originated by entities regulated by RBI) (*)	RBI
6	Listed Commercial Paper and NCDs with original maturity less than 1 year	RBI
7	Unlisted Commercial Paper and NCDs with original maturity less than 1 year	RBI
8	Loan Facilities (Fund/Non-Fund Based) from Bank / NBFCs/ NHB/ FIs (\$)	RBI
9	External Commercial Borrowings/Loans from overseas branches of Indian Banks/other similar borrowings	RBI
10	Certificates of Deposit	RBI
11	Fixed Deposits raised by NBFCs, Banks, HFCs, FIs	RBI
12	Fixed Deposits raised by corporates other than NBFCs, Banks, HFCs, FIs	MCA
13	Inter Corporate Deposits/Loans extended by Corporates	MCA
14	Listed Security Receipts	SEBI
15	Unlisted Security Receipts	RBI
16	Unlisted PTCs / Securitisation Notes (originated by entities not regulated by RBI) (*)	Investor-side Regulator such as IRDAI, PFRDA (%)

(*) Includes securitisation transactions involving assignee payout, acquirer's payout.

(\$) Includes bank facilities such as liquidity facility, second loss facility that are part of securitisation transactions.

(%) These ratings were assigned prior to the introduction of SEBI CRA Circular dated Feb 10, 2026 and accordingly, investor side FSRs have been mentioned.

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Sr. No.	Activity Name	FSR
1	Credit Ratings for Capital Protection Oriented Schemes (by Mutual Funds and AIFs)	SEBI
2	Credit quality ratings (CQRs) for Mutual Fund Schemes and Schemes of AIFs	SEBI
3	Independent Credit Evaluation (ICE)	RBI

4	Expected Loss Ratings (For Loan Facilities [Fund/Non-Fund based] from Banks/NBFCs/NHB/FIs)	RBI
5	Expected Loss Ratings (Listed / Proposed to be listed Bonds / Debentures / Preference Shares (all securities))	SEBI
6	Expected Loss Ratings (Unlisted / Proposed to be unlisted Bonds/ Debentures / Preference Shares (all securities))	MCA
7	Credit Rating of Borrowing programme	(@)
8	Issuer Ratings	(#)
9	Monitoring Agency	SEBI
10	Research activities, incidental to rating such as research for Economy & Industries (permitted by SEBI vide SEBI Master Circular for CRAs)	NA

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(#) Since no instrument is being rated, FSR is not applicable. The rating scale and definitions stipulated in SEBI Master Circular for CRAs are being followed.

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Complexity level of the rated instrument

Trust Name	Instrument	Complexity Indicator
Sakura 09 2024	Series A1 PTC	Highly Complex

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Annexure II: Instrument details

Trust Name	Instrument	Date of Issuance / Sanction	Coupon Rate (p.a.p.m.)	Maturity Date	Amount Rated (Rs. Crore)	Current Rating
Sakura 09 2024	Series A1 PTC	September 30, 2024	11.50%	February 12, 2028	0.00	[ICRA]A+(SO); Withdrawn

Source: Company

Annexure III: List of entities considered for consolidated analysis

Not Applicable

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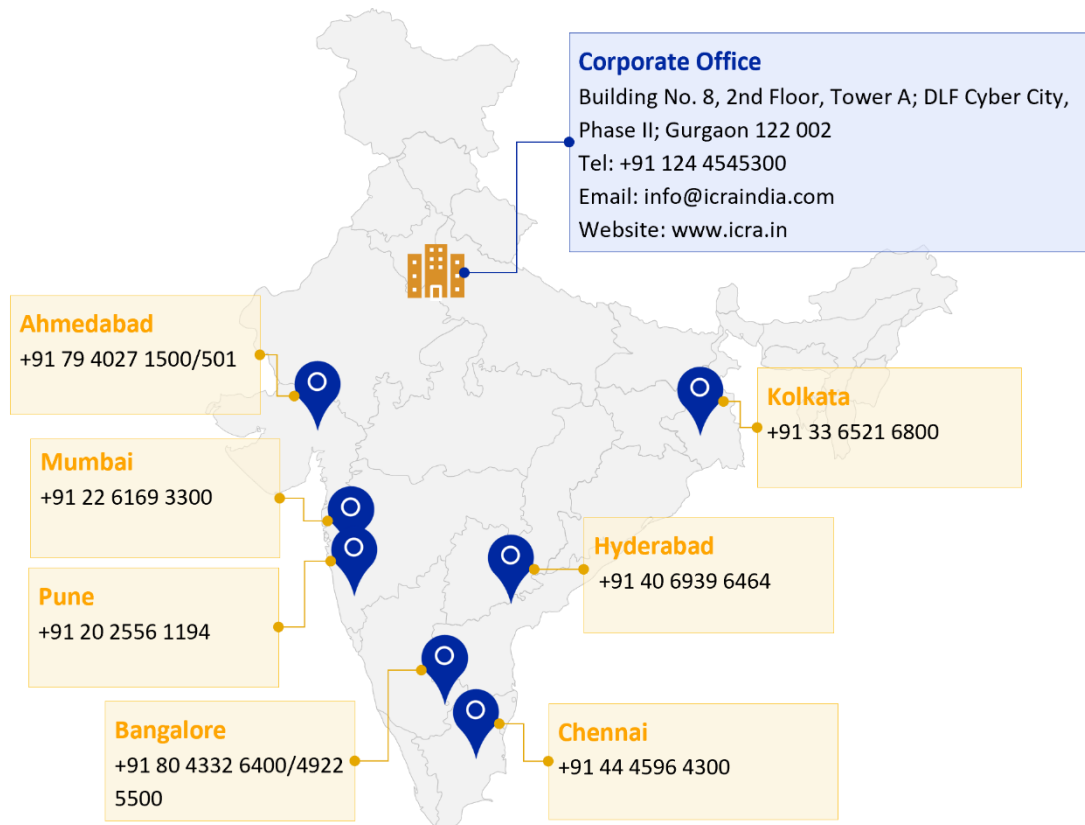
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