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Poonawalla Fincorp Limited: Rating withdrawn

Summary of rating action

Instrument*	Previous Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
Long-term Fund-based – Term Loan	1,711.05	1,711.05	[ICRA]AA- &; withdrawn
Total	1,711.05	1,711.05	

& - On watch with developing implications; *Instrument details are provided in Annexure-1

Rationale

ICRA has withdrawn the [ICRA]AA- (rating watch with developing implications) rating outstanding on the long-term fund-based term loans of Poonawalla Fincorp Limited (PFL) at the request of the company and based on the No Objection Certificate received from its bankers. This is in accordance with ICRA's policy on the withdrawal of credit ratings.

ICRA, however, does not have adequate information about business strategy and future plans of PFL to suggest that the credit risk has changed since the time the rating was last reviewed. The key rating drivers, liquidity position, and rating sensitivities have not been captured as the related instrument is being withdrawn. The last detailed rating rationale can be found [here](#).

Analytical approach

Analytical Approach	Comments
Applicable Rating Methodologies	ICRA's Credit Rating Methodology for Non-Banking Finance Companies Consolidation Policy on withdrawal of credit ratings
Parent/Group Support	Not Applicable
Consolidation/Standalone	Consolidation; for arriving at the rating, ICRA has considered the consolidated view of the credit profiles of PFL and Poonawalla Housing Finance Limited (PHFL) owing to their common management and shared infrastructure

About the company

Poonawalla Fincorp Limited (PFL, erstwhile Magma Fincorp Limited) was incorporated in 1988 and is registered with the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) as an asset-financing non-banking financial company (NBFC). Following the acquisition of controlling stake by Adar Poonawalla-led Rising Sun Holdings Private Limited in May 2021, the Company was renamed to Poonawalla Fincorp Limited in July 2021. As on June 30, 2021, Rising Sun Holdings Private Limited held 59.9% stake in PFL. Post the transaction, there has been a change in the management with Mr. Adar Poonawalla appointed as the Chairman along with a revamped senior management team.

PFL, on a consolidated basis had Assets under Management (AUM) of Rs 14,424 crore as on June 30, 2021 which can be broadly divided into mortgage (32%), used cars (15%) and SME (10%) with remaining 44% of the portfolio being in the form of discontinued products (new car, CV, CE, used CV/CE, tractor).

In FY2021, PFL on a consolidated basis, recorded a loss of Rs. 559 crore on asset base of Rs. 13,212 crore compared with a consolidated profit after tax of Rs. Rs. 27 crore on a total consolidated asset base of Rs. 15,240 crore in FY2020. The loss was

primarily on account of management overlay provisions created in light of Covid wave 2 and adoption of a conservative write-off policy resulting in elevated credit cost for Q4FY2021. Post equity infusion of Rs 3,456 crore, net worth of the Company stood at Rs 5,722 crore, as on June 30, 2021.

In Q1FY2022, PFL on consolidated basis reported net profit of Rs. 65 crore. The gross and net stage 3 asset ratio stood at 5.4% and 2.7% respectively as on June 30, 2021, along with a healthy stage 3 provision cover of 51%.

Key financial indicators (audited; consolidated)

PFL	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021
Total income	2,495	2558	2,352
Profit after tax	304	27	-559
Net worth	2,744	2,748	2,194
Total assets under management	17,028	16,134	14,225
Total assets	16,789	15,240	13,212
Return on average assets	1.8%	0.2%	-3.9%
Return on average equity	12.9%	1.0%	-22.6%
% CRAR (standalone)	24.9%	25.9%	20.3%
% Gross stage 3 assets (on-book)	4.8%	6.4%	3.7%
% Net stage 3 assets (on-book)	3.1%	4.2%	1.2%
% Net stage 3 assets/ Net worth	17.2%	21.1%	15.5%

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

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

	Instrument	Current Rating (FY2022)				Chronology of Rating History for the Past 3 Years						
		Type	Amount Rated	Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore)	Date & Rating in FY2022	Date & Rating in FY2021				Date & Rating in FY2020		Date & Rating in FY2019
			(Rs. crore)		Oct 6, 2021	Feb 17, 2021	Dec 8, 2020	Apr 13, 2020	Dec 16, 2019	Jul 22, 2019, Aug 6, 2019, Oct 24, 2019	Apr 20, 2018, Jul 25, 2018	
1	Term Loans (banks)	Long Term	1,711.05	-	[ICRA]AA- &; Rating Withdrawn	[ICRA]AA- &	[ICRA]AA- (Negative)	[ICRA]AA- (Negative)	[ICRA]AA- (Negative)	[ICRA]AA- (Stable)	[ICRA]AA- (Stable)	
2	NCD	Long Term	-	-				Rating Withdrawn	[ICRA]AA- (Negative)	[ICRA]AA- (Stable)	[ICRA]AA- (Stable)	

Source: ICRA Research

Complexity level of the rated instruments

Instrument	Complexity Indicator
Long-term Fund Based – Term Loan	Simple

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Annexure-1: Instrument details

ISIN	Instrument Name	Date of Issuance / Sanction	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Current Rating and Outlook
NA	Term Loan	NA	NA	NA	1,711.05	[ICRA]AA- &; Withdrawn

Source: Company; & - On watch with developing implications NA: Not available

Annexure-2: List of entities considered for consolidated analysis

Company Name	Ownership	Consolidation Approach
Poonawalla Fincorp Limited	100.00%	Full Consolidation
Poonawalla Housing Finance Limited	100.00%	Full Consolidation

Note: ICRA has taken a consolidated view of the parent (PFL) and its subsidiaries and associates while assigning the rating

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