

Hero Corporate Service Private Limited

	Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
		April 2016
Long Term Fund Based Limits	4.0	[ICRA]A+ (Stable) reaffirmed
Long Term Non Fund Based Limits (Sub-Limit of Fund Based Limits)	(1.0)	[ICRA]A+ (Stable) reaffirmed
Short Term Loans	15.0	[ICRA] A1+ reaffirmed
Short Term Unallocated Limits	36.0	[ICRA] A1+ reaffirmed
Total	55.0	

Source: ICRA

The long-term rating assigned to the Rs 4.0 crore¹ long-term fund based limits and Rs 1.0 crore long-term non fund based limits (sublimit of fund based limits) of Hero Corporate Service Private Limited ('HCSPL' or 'the company') has been reaffirmed at [ICRA]A+ (Pronounced ICRA A plus)². The outlook on the long-term rating is 'Stable'.

The short-term rating assigned to the Rs 15.0 crore short-term loans and Rs 36.0 crore unallocated limits of the company has also been reaffirmed at [ICRA]A1+ (Pronounced ICRA A one plus).

The ratings reaffirmation continues to take into consideration HCSPL's strong parentage being a part of the Hero Group and being an intermediate holding company for various ventures of Hero Group. ICRA notes that the company also enjoys operational linkages with flagship company Hero MotoCorp Limited (HMCL, rated [ICRA]AAA(Stable)/IrAAA(Stable)/[ICRA]A1+) being an insurance intermediary providing motor insurance for HMCL vehicles and the healthy penetration levels achieved for offering insurance on new bike sales. However, with nearly 86% revenues from insurance broking, HCSPL's revenue growth remains vulnerable to slowdown in two wheeler segment mirroring the performance of HMCL. Nonetheless, significant opportunity available in the policy renewal segment and the company's recent diversification into four wheeler motor insurance and non-motor insurance segments provides comfort.

The ratings continue to factor in HCSPL's status as an intermediate holding company for the Hero Group with Bahadur Chand Investments Private Limited (BCIPL, rated [ICRA]AA (Stable)) as its principal shareholder and financial and non-fund based support extended to key investee companies in the real estate, BPO services and training services space. ICRA's ratings factor in the adequate financial flexibility enjoyed by HCSPL reflected in a conservative gearing supported by low debt levels and consistent equity infusion by promoter companies, nonetheless, high debt levels in Hero Realty Private Limited (being guaranteed by HCSPL) continues to weigh on the financial profile of the company. Going forward, ICRA expects Hero Group investment entities to continue extending need based financial support to HCSPL, as witnessed in the past, as the standalone operating performance of the company is expected to remain constrained in the near term.

Company Profile

Incorporated in 1995, Hero Corporate Service Private Limited (HCSPL, earlier known as Hero Corporate Service Limited) has been promoted by the Hero Group to provide various services to the group companies and its ancillaries. Sunil Kant Munjal (Joint Managing Director, Hero MotoCorp Limited) is the Chairman of HCSPL, while the company is headed by Shefali Munjal (Daughter of Sunil Kant Munjal).

On a standalone basis, HCSPL is engaged in providing strategic advisory services (SAS) to various group entities and general insurance broking business (NSure) via tie-ups with general insurance companies. The key investments³ of HCSPL comprise Hero Realty Private Limited (HRPL, rated [ICRA]A+(SO)) into real estate, Hero Management Service Private Limited (HMSPL, rated [ICRA]BBB+ (Stable)/[ICRA]A2+) into BPO services

¹ 100 lakh = 1 crore = 10 million

² For complete rating scale and definitions, please refer to ICRA's Website www.icra.in or other ICRA Rating Publications

³ Companies not immediate subsidiaries by virtue of investments from other Hold Co's as preference capital



and Hero Mindmine Institute Private Limited (HMIPL, rated [ICRA]BBB (Stable)/[ICRA]A3+) into training services.

Recent Results

As per audited results for FY2014-15, HCSPL reported a Profit after Tax (PAT) of Rs 14.7 crore on an Operating Income (OI) of Rs 33.4 crore. Also, as per provisional financials for 9M FY2015-16, the company reported a PAT of Rs 3.3 crore on an OI of Rs 30.6 crore.

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