

Barani Ferrocast Private Limited

Instrument	Amount	Rating Action
	In Rs Crore	October 2016
Long term - fund based (Cash Credit)	3.65	
Long term - Term Loans	5.72	[ICRA]B- assigned
Long term - Unallocated	4.63	

ICRA has assigned a long-term rating of [ICRA]B- (pronounced ICRA B minus) to the Rs. 3.65-crore long-term fund-based (cash credit) facilities, Rs. 5.72-crore term loans and Rs. 4.63-crore unallocated limits of Barani Ferrocast Private Limited (BFPL).

The assigned rating takes into account the company's small scale of business, due to relatively young nature of the operations, limiting its operational and financial flexibility, the fragmented nature of the industry and high competitive intensity, restricting its pricing flexibility. The rating is also constrained by the company's financial profile characterised by moderate gearing, thin margins at net level and weak coverage indicators. High customer concentration for the company accentuates the risk of order volatility while the revenues remain susceptible to the cyclicality in the downstream industries. The rating is also constrained by the exposure of the company's margins to volatility in raw material prices. However, the rating positively factors in the extensive experience of the promoters, spanning over two decades, in the metal industry, and strong revenue growth, albeit on low base, witnessed in the last two fiscals. The rating also factors in the promoters' commitment to bring in funds in the form of fresh equity/unsecured loans in line with the banker's stipulation.

Going forward, the company's ability to improve its scale of operations and margins, thereby improving its coverage metrics, will be the key rating sensitivity.

Company Profile

BFPL is involved in the business of manufacturing ferrous castings using green sand molding and no bake molding process, based on the customer requirements. The company was incorporated in FY2011 and started commercial operations from FY2014. The company is led by Mr. T K Karuppannasamy and Mr. K Devaraj whose experience in the metal industry spans over two decades. The company has a production shop floor area of 2020 sq. mt. and services floor area of 210 sq. mt. to carry out the molding process. The company focuses on manufacturing intricate engineering parts that caters to various sectors like automobiles, power, general machinery etc.

Recent Results

In FY2016, the company reported an operating income of Rs. 15.6 crore and Profit after Tax (PAT) of Rs. 0.2 crore. In FY2015, the company reported an operating income of Rs. 11.5 crore and PAT of Rs. 0.1 crore.

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