

Doshi Ceramic Industries

Instrument	Amount (Rs. in crore)	Rating Action
Cash Credit	0.50	Revised to [ICRA]B from [ICRA]B+
Term Loan	4.88	Revised to [ICRA]B from [ICRA]B+
Bank Guarantee	0.20	[ICRA]A4; Reaffirmed

ICRA has revised downwards the long term rating assigned to the Rs. 4.88 crore term loans and Rs. 0.50 crore fund based cash credit facilities of Doshi Ceramic Industries (DCI)[†] from [ICRA]B+ (pronounced ICRA B plus) to [ICRA]B (pronounced ICRA B). ICRA has also reaffirmed the short term rating of [ICRA]A4 to the Rs. 0.20 crore short term non fund based facilities of DCI.

The rating revision reflects the delay in ramping up of operations given the intense completion from organized and unorganized players in sanitary ware, resulting in weak financial profile as reflected in low profitability, stretched capital structure and weak debt coverage indicators. The ratings also take into account the lack of experience of promoters in the line of business and limited track record of the firm's operations. Further, the ratings are constrained by the vulnerability of firm's profitability to availability and increasing prices of gas and power as well as competitive business environment given the fragmented nature of industry with large number of sanitary ware manufacturers in the region. Further, Doshi Ceramic Industries is a partnership firm and any substantial withdrawal from capital account would impact the net worth and thereby the capital structure of the firm.

The ratings, however, favourably consider the location advantage resulting in easy access to raw material sources.

Firm Profile

Incorporated in April 2012, Doshi Ceramic Industries (DCI) is engaged in the manufacturing of sanitary ware products. The manufacturing unit of the firm is located in Thangadh (Morbi), Gujarat, having an installed capacity of 10,800 MTPA. The commercial production has commenced from January 2013. The firm is promoted and managed by Mr. Bipinchandra Doshi and Mr. Rajesh Doshi along with other family members and relatives.

Recent Results

For the year ended 31st March, 2014, the firm reported an operating income of Rs. 4.07 crore with profit before depreciation and taxes (PBDT) of Rs. 0.13 crore.

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^{* 100} lakh = 1 crore = 10 million

[†] For complete rating scale and definitions, please refer to ICRA's website <u>www.icra.in</u> or other ICRA Rating Publications.



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