

## **Hero Corporate Service Private Limited**

	Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
		March 2015
Long Term Fund Based Limits	4.0 (PY: Rs 5.0 crore)	[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 (PY: 35.0)	[ICRA] A1+ reaffirmed
Total	55.0	

Source: ICRA

The long-term rating assigned to the Rs 4.0 crore (PY: Rs 5.0 crore) long-term fund based limits and Rs 1.00 crore long-term non fund based limits (sublimit of fund based limits) of Hero Corporate Service Private Limited ('HCSL' or 'the company') has been reaffirmed at [ICRA]A+ (Pronounced ICRA A plus)<sup>†</sup>. 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 (PY: Rs 35.00 crore) unallocated limits of the company has also been reaffirmed at [ICRA]A1+ (Pronounced ICRA A one plus).

The rating reaffirmation continues to take into consideration the strong parentage of the company, being a part of the Hero Group (the principal shareholder- Bahadur Chand Investments Private Limited rated [ICRA]AA(Stable) and the flagship Company of the group Hero MotoCorp Limited (HMCL), rated at [ICRA]AAA(Stable)/IrAAA/[ICRA]A1+) and HCSL's status as an intermediate holding company as it has extended financial and non-fund based support to operating subsidiary companies. This coupled with operational linkages with HMCL being an insurance intermediary providing vehicle insurance to HMCL's vehicles resulting in high penetration levels in new HMCL's 2W insurance policies support the ratings further.

The ratings, however, continue to be constrained on account of weak operating performance of HCSL (standalone) over the last two years marked by muted revenues and weak accruals and high revenue concentration risks with insurance distribution accounting for more than 90% of revenues and vulnerability of the same to slowdown in the domestic 2W segment albeit the same is partially mitigated through adequate growth opportunities in the policy renewal space. ICRA's ratings factor in the adequate financial flexibility enjoyed by HCSL (Standalone) reflected in a conservative gearing supported by low debt levels and consistent equity infusion by promoter companies, nonetheless, high debt levels in subsidiary, Hero Realty Limited (being guaranteed by HCSL) continue to weigh on the consolidated financial profile of the company. Going forward, ICRA expects Hero Group investment entities to continue extending need based financial support to HCSL, 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 Services Private Limited (HCSL) has been promoted by the Dr. BML Munjal led Hero Group to provide various services to the group companies and its ancillaries. Mr. Sunil Kant Munjal (Joint Managing Director, Hero MotoCorp Limited) is the Chairman of HCSL, while the company headed by Shefali Munjal (daughter of Sunil Kant Munjal). The company was changed to a Private Limited company in March 2015.

<sup>\* 100</sup> lakh = 1 crore = 10 million

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> For complete rating scale and definitions, please refer to ICRA's Website www.icra.in or other ICRA Rating Publications



On a standalone basis, HCSL is engaged in providing strategic advisory services (SAS) to various group entities and has a small windmill power generation unit. Also the company is involved in the insurance intermediary business (NSure) via tie-ups. Further, HCSL has three active investee companies namely Hero Realty Limited (HRL), Hero Management Service Limited (HMSL) and Hero Mindmine Institute Limited (HMIL). By virtue of key investments in these entities, HCSL is also involved in real estate development (HRL), call centre/BPO services (HMSL) and training services (HMIL).

## **Recent Results**

As per audited results for 2013-14, HCSL reported a Profit after Tax (PAT) of Rs 8.7 crore on an Operating Income (OI) of Rs 40.0 crore. Also, as per provisional financials for 9M, 2014-15, the company reported a PAT of Rs 7.8 crore on an OI of Rs 24.9 crore.

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