

The Pakistan Credit Rating Agency Limited

Rating Report

Madiha International (Pvt.) Limited

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Dissemination Date	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating	Outlook	Action	Rating Watch
14-Sep-2022	BB	A3	Stable	Initial	-

Rating Rationale and Key Rating Drivers

Madiha International (Pvt) Limited ("MIPL" or "the Company") is primarily engaged in the import of printer papers; sizing, cutting, and trading. MIPL is a family-owned business. The other family business of the Company are Bikiya Industries and IBM Pakistan. The sponsors have vast experience in the trading business of paper and manufacturing tissue papers, since 1993. As per management representation, out of the total paper market of Pakistan, ~ PKR 37% is met through import. During FY22. The group's average market share in total imports of paper and paper products is ~40% while MIPL's average market share is ~12%. The Company mainly covers the Southern region of Pakistan, particularly Karachi. Due to the small business size, the sponsors are looking after the management and governance side of the Company themselves. The external auditor is not QCR-rated. The Company's MIS is considered adequate.

The financial risk profile of the Company is considered good. The Company is managing working capital in a mix through i) Running finances and ii) Own sources. Hence, the leveraging of the Company remained on the lower side providing a cushion to the assigned rating. While in near future the Company doesn't intend to have any CAPEX requirements. The Company's revenue during 9MFY22 stood at PKR 376mln and grew by ~10% since Jun'21. While the net profitability of the Company increased on account of a better profit margin. The equity came under pressure during FY20 due to import restrictions, however, it is gradually getting stable on the back of improving profitability. Currently, the Company's equity stood at PKR 36mln at the end of Mar'22.

The Rating is dependent on sustaining its market share and prudent management of the working capital. While maintaining sufficient cash flows and coverages are essential for the ratings. Any significant change in margins and coverages will impact the ratings.

Disclosure			
Name of Rated Entity	Madiha International (Pvt.) Limited		
Type of Relationship	Solicited		
Purpose of the Rating	Entity Rating		
Applicable Criteria	Methodology Corporate Rating(Jun-22),Methodology Correlation Between Long-term & Short-term Rating Scales(Jun-22),Methodology Rating Modifiers(Jun-22)		
Related Research	Sector Study Paper and Packaging(Nov-21)		
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Paper and Packaging

Profile

Legal Structure Madiha International (Pvt) Limited ("MIPL" or "the Company") was established in 2016 as a private limited Company registered with SECP under Companies Act, 2017.

Background The Company is primarily engaged in the import of paper; sizing, cutting and trading of printer paper in the local market. The Company has its head office situated in Karachi.

Operations The Company operates under three directors who are also the owners of the Company. Since its inception the Company is engaged in the trading of printer papers and providing to the local industry in Pakistan. The Company is enjoying good market reputation, situated in Sindh, Pakistan mainly in Karachi. The Company does not have any non-current assets and does not intend to have any CAPEX in near future. All sales of the Company are direct sales and no dealers are involved in the chain. The Company's revenue is in constant growth since FY19, except for FY20 where MIPL was in losses due to COVID-19.

Ownership

Ownership Structure The Company is owned by four shareholders having 25% stake each: i) Mr. Usman Saleem Bikiya. ii) Mr. Muhammad Bilal and remaining 50% with other family members.

Stability Being part of a group wherein tacit intergroup cooperation exists, bodes well for the rating.

Business Acumen The owners and directors of the Company have extensive relevant experience and insights concerning the packaging industry owing to their family background. Mr. Muhammad Bilal and Mr. Usman Saleem Bikiya are leading in dynamic ways based on business experience.

Financial Strength The light asset and high turnover base model of business have provided strength to the Company to establish its brand name amongst the leading importers of paper and related products in the south market.

Governance

Board Structure The BoD of the Company comprises three members who are also owners of the Company.

Members' Profile Mr. Usman Saleem Bikiya is experienced personnel in the field of business, he is working with the Company since its inception and has made the Company a huge success. Mr. Muhammad Bilal graduated from the USA and has got vast experience in the field of business.

Board Effectiveness During 9MFY22, four official board meetings took place and all three directors attended the meetings where the agendas were discussed along with future meeting agendas laid down as well. The latest meeting was held on 15-Mar-22.

Financial Transparency The absence of an internal audit function further creates room for improvement in the corporate governance framework. Sajid & Co. Chartered Accountants is the external auditor of the Company. The auditor does not fall under the QCR rating list issued by ICAP. Room for improvement exists for financial transparency.

Management

Organizational Structure The Company has a lean organizational structure divided into three functional departments. Currently, the organizational structure is divided into three main functions namely; 1) Sales & Marketing 2) Human Resource 3) Accounts & Finance.

Management Team Mr. Muhammad Bilal is the CEO provides external assistance to the Company over financial matters. Mr. Usman Bikiya is one of the directors of the Company. There are 4-5 levels of hierarchy within each department which shows an adequate governance structure.

Effectiveness The Company structure is not complex making management of operations an easy and timely task. The BoD/Senior management holds major control of operations.

MIS The Company's MIS generates Balance Sheets, Profit and Loss, and Cash flow statements on a monthly basis for the Board.

Control Environment The Company has not appointed any in-house audit team.

Business Risk

Industry Dynamics Pakistan's packaging industry consists of four major segments, paper, plastic, tinplate and glass. Paper and plastic segments occupy the major share of the total market, while other materials such as tinplate and glass have relatively smaller sizes. Despite, the economic slowdown caused by the global pandemic of COVID-19, demand for the segment remained almost consistent as it falls in the supply chain of various essential products and industries. The segment's direct costs consist largely of imported materials (~100%). Therefore, volatility in exchange rates and international price trends has an impact on costs.

Relative Position The average market share (in terms of printing paper imports) of the Company remained at ~12% during FY22.

Revenues The Company has generated a topline of PKR 376mln in 9MFY22 (FY21: PKR 342mln). Further, the Company showed staggering performance in 9MFY22. Net profit of the Company in 9MFY22 was 18mln while in FY21 it was PKR 15mln.

Margins The gross profits and net profit margin were reported at 33% and 24% respectively in 9MFY22 (FY21: 13% and 5% respectively).

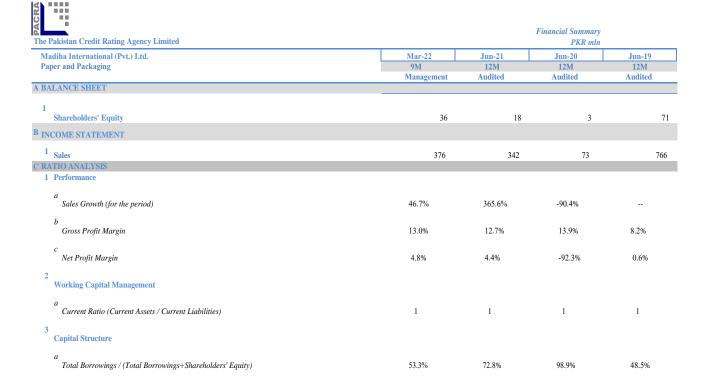
Sustainability The demand for printer paper in Banks and other organizations will remain on an increasing trend. Going forward, MIL will generate a healthy net income.

Financial Risk

Working Capital MIPL working capital management is supported through short-term running finance facilities obtained from different banks. The Net working capital days of the Company witnessed a significant decrease from 161 days in FY21 to 51 days in 9MFY22. The Company's inventory days stood at 2 days in 9MFY22 (FY21: 3 days). The trade payables and trade payables days of the Company in 9MFY22 are 1 day and 50 days respectively. (FY21: 2 days, 159 days)

Coverages The Company's interest coverage ratio showed a slight change from (9MFY22: 8x) to (FY21: 6x) on the back of a decrease in short-term borrowings.

Capitalization The capital structure of the Company remained sustained during 9MFY22. The gearing ratio stood at 53% during 9MFY22 vs 73% during FY21 on the back of a decrease in short-term borrowings.



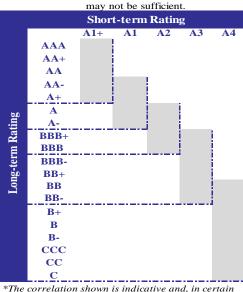


Credit Rating

Credit rating reflects forward-looking opinion on credit worthiness of underlying entity or instrument; more specifically it covers relative ability to honor financial obligations. The primary factor being captured on the rating scale is relative likelihood of default.

	Innancial obligations. The primary factor being captured on the rating sca	
Scale	Long-term Rating Definition	
AAA	Highest credit quality. Lowest expectation of credit risk. Indicate exceptionally strong capacity for timely payment of financial commitments	
AA+		
AA	Very high credit quality. Very low expectation of credit risk. Indicate very strong capacity for timely payment of financial commitments. This capacity is not significantly vulnerable to foreseeable events.	
AA-		
A +		
A	High credit quality. Low expectation of credit risk. The capacity for timely payment of financial commitments is considered strong. This capacity may, nevertheless, be vulnerable to changes in circumstances or in economic conditions.	
A-		
BBB+		
ввв	Good credit quality. Currently a low expectation of credit risk. The capacity for ti payment of financial commitments is considered adequate, but adverse changes circumstances and in economic conditions are more likely to impair this capacity	
BBB-		
BB+	Moderate risk. Possibility of credit risk developing. There is a possibility of credit risk	
BB	developing, particularly as a result of adverse economic or business changes over time; however, business or financial alternatives may be available to allow financial	
BB-	commitments to be met.	
B+		
В	High credit risk. A limited margin of safety remains against credit risk. Financial commitments are currently being met; however, capacity for continued payment is contingent upon a sustained, favorable business and economic environment.	
В-		
CCC	View historial and the Colombia and the	
CC	Very high credit risk. Substantial credit risk "CCC" Default is a real possibility. Capacity for meeting financial commitments is solely reliant upon sustained, favorable business or economic developments. "CC" Rating indicates that default of some kind	
\mathbf{C}	appears probable. "C" Ratings signal imminent default.	
D	Obligations are currently in default.	

Short-term Rating Definition Scale The highest capacity for timely repayment. **A1**+ A strong capacity for timely $\mathbf{A1}$ repayment. A satisfactory capacity for timely repayment. This may be susceptible to **A2** adverse changes in business, economic, or financial conditions An adequate capacity for timely repayment. **A3** Such capacity is susceptible to adverse changes in business, economic, or financial The capacity for timely repayment is more susceptible to adverse changes in business, economic, or financial conditions. Liquidity



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- b) Corporate Rating
- c) Financial Institution Rating
- d) Holding Company Rating
- e) Independent Power Producer Rating
- Microfinance Institution Rating
- g) Non-Banking Finance Companies

(NBFCs) Rating

Instruments

- a) Basel III Compliant Debt Instrument Rating
- b) Debt Instrument Rating
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