

The Pakistan Credit Rating Agency Limited

Rating Report

TPL Properties Limited | PPTFC | PKR 1.575bln | Dec 23

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Rating History								
Dissemination Date	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating	Outlook	Action	Rating Watch			
19-Feb-2024	A+	A1	Stable	Initial	-			
23-Oct-2023	A+	A1	Stable	Preliminary	-			

Rating Rationale and Key Rating Drivers

TPL Properties Ltd (TPL Properties or the Company) has significant presence in Real estate sector for more than a decade. TPL Properties after the sale of its first and flagship project "Centrepoint" is re – strategizing its business model from single revenue stream of rental income. Following the materialization of their plan, TPL Properties is now effectively a holding company, having subsidiaries namely REIT Management Company, TPL Developments (Pvt.) Limited, TPL Property Management and substantial investment in TPL REIT Fund I. The Company has successfully transferred its projects namely "One Hoshang", "Technology Park" and "Mangrove" to the TPL REIT Fund I where the company has also realized substantial capital gains. The foundation work on "One Hoshang" project including piling and shoring has been completed and the structure work has been commenced which is expected to be completed by 2026. Master plan for the "Mangrove" project has been approved with the formal launch and construction expected to commence during second half of FY24. While considering the macro-economic factors and lack of investors' interest, the management is considering to shelve the third project "Technology Park" and is aiming to earn the capital gain from the sale of land. Topline of the Company in FY23, leveraging of the company stood at 18%, as company has obtained short term borrowings to meet the working capital requirements and for the equity injection in TPL Investment Management Limited based in Abu Dhabi. The equity base of the Company improved to PKR 13.7bln, (FY22: PKR 10.5bln).

The ratings are dependent on management's ability to ensure adequacy of cashflows through the timely execution of the construction plans of the said projects. Any material deviation in strategy impacting risk profile of the company can have detrimental effect on Ratings.

Disclosure				
Name of Rated Entity	TPL Properties Limited PPTFC PKR 1.575bln Dec 23			
Type of Relationship Solicited				
Purpose of the Rating Debt Instrument Rating				
Applicable Criteria	Methodology Correlation Between Long-term & Short-term Rating Scales(Jul-23),Methodology Rating Modifiers(Apr-23),Methodology Debt Instrument Rating(Dec-23)			
Related Research	Sector Study Real Estate(May-23)			
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Issuer Profile

Profile TPL Properties (TPLP) is the real-estate and fund management arm of 'TPL Corp'. TPL Properties Limited got listed on Pakistan Stock Exchange (PSX) in Jul-16. The Company is based in Karachi, Pakistan. The principal activity of the company is to invest, purchase, develop and build real estate and to sell, rent out or otherwise dispose of in any manner the real estate including commercial and residential buildings, houses, shops, plots or other premises. Furthermore, company has expanded its operations in Development Advisory Business as well as in REIT and Fund Management. 'Centrepoint' is the first project of TPL Properties. Centre point project was initiated in Oct-07 and was eventually completed in May-13. The Company sold the project to Bank Al Habib amounting to PKR 7.75bln.

Ownership Presently, TPL Properties is owned by TPL Group (51.4%) through companies and individuals, followed by Alpha Beta Group (8.82%) and remaining is on free float.

Governance The overall control of the company vests in seven-member board of directors (BoD) including the CEO. Two members, including one executive and one nonexecutive members, represent TPL Group. Both Chairman and CEO represent sponsoring family. The board members have diversified experience with necessary technical skills owing to long association with the company. The board members meet at regular intervals. M/s. BDO Ebrahim & Co, Chartered Accountants, are the external auditor of the company. The auditors have expressed unqualified opinion on TPL Properties financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Management TPL Properties has a streamlined organizational structure. Each function is headed by an experienced resource. Mr. Ali Jameel spearheads the management operations. He is a fellow member of Institute of Chartered Accountant from England & Wales (ICAEW), has been the key individual in conception and development of group companies. The management team comprises professionally qualified members having requisite experience. TPL Properties is working with seven key functions namely (i) Information Technology, (ii) Finance, (iii) External Relations & CSR, (iv) Marketing and Communication, (v) Human Resource, (vi) Operations and (vii) Project Management reporting to Chief Executive Officer.

Business Risk The uncertainty in the local real estate sector continued into 1HFY24 impacting the demand dynamics. Peaking interest rates along with inflation contributed towards rise in construction costs leading to slowdown in the pace of construction projects. However, the REIT Management sector represents a growing market in Pakistan. TPL Properties is a renowned name in the Real Estate sector. With the launch of TPL REIT Fund I company has evidently made a significant presence in the market. Currently, TPL Properties is effectively a Holding Company. Thus, revenues will be generated by Management & Performance fee combined with dividends from TPL REIT Fund I and TPL Development (Pvt.) Ltd. Revenue stream majorly would be dependent on the timely completion of current and future development projects of its subsidiaries. During FY23, the company generated revenues of PKR 5,286mln from unrealized gain on investment in REIT Fund I. Going forward, the REIT has three projects in hand 1) One Hoshang - residential apartments, 2) Mangrove, 3). Technology Park. One Hoshang is at more advanced stage. Construction on the said project has started and the management is confident to complete the project in 2.5 years. Master plan for the Mangrove Project has been approved and the initial launch and construction is expected during second half of FY24.

Financial Risk TPL Properties' working capital requirement is mainly the function of payables, for which the company relies on internal cashflows. The Company's STB stood at PKR 1,939mln as on Sep 2023, to fund equity injection in TPL Investment Management Limited and acquisition of property. During FY23, TPLP interest coverage was reported at -5.0x. As the company is still in developing stage therefore, coverages are also under stress. However, some of the related projects (REIT & Development Projects) are also on the cards which will alleviate concerns pertaining to cash flows. Leveraging (debt to debt plus equity) stands at 15.9% at end Sep-23. Timely realization of cash flows from developer margin, dividend from REIT Fund and management and performance fee earned by TPL RMC remains vital for the company's operation.

Instrument Rating Considerations

About The Instrument TPLP has issued a rated, secured, privately placed, Medium Term, Term Finance Certificate, amounting PKR 1.575bln to finance the Company's working capital requirements and settlement of short term borrowing of the Company. The tenor is 12 months and carrying a profit rate of 3MK+200bps. Profit will be paid on quarterly basis and TFC will be redeemed in bullet at the expiry of Tenor.

Relative Seniority/Subordination Of Instrument The claim of the certificate holders will rank superior to the claim of ordinary shareholders.

Credit Enhancement The security structure is strengthened by i) Pledge of units of TPL REIT Fund I (unlisted) held by the Company with 30% margin; ii) Assignment of all Dividends from TPL RMC and TPL REIT Fund I; iii) Pari passu hypothecation charge over current assets of TPL Properties Limited and TPL RMC Limited covering the issue amount. Initially ranking charge will be created which will be upgraded to pari passu charge within 30 days from the date of the disbursement.

	Financial Summary				
Pakistan Credit Rating Agency Limited		PKR mln			
PL Properties Ltd	Jun-23	Jun-22 12M	Jun-21 12M	Jun-20 12M	
eal Estate	12M	12M	12M	12M	
ALANCE SHEET Non-Current Assets	306	280	216	7.	
2 Investments	-	- 280	- 210	1.	
Related Party Exposure	16,196	9,429	4,619	1	
Current Assets	1,622	2,809	2,666		
a Inventories	-	-	-		
b Trade Receivables	-	-	108	10	
Current Liabilities	18,125 1,455	12,518 1,064	7,501 245	10	
a Trade Payables	1,435	70	245		
Borrowings	2,143	939	1,608	3	
Related Party Exposure	800	-	2		
Non-Current Liabilities	-	-	20		
0 Net Assets	13,727	10,515	5,627	6	
1 Shareholders' Equity	13,727	10,515	5,627	6	
NCOME STATEMENT	6.006		201		
Sales a Cost of Good Sold	5,286 (43)	5,919	284 (9)		
2 Gross Profit	5,244	(7) 5,912	275		
a Operating Expenses	(978)	(950)	(564)		
Operating Profit	4,265	4,962	(289)		
a Non Operating Income or (Expense)	186	249	133		
Profit or (Loss) before Interest and Tax	4,452	5,210	(156)		
a Total Finance Cost	(161)	(333)	(425)		
b Taxation 5 Net Income Or (Loss)	(20)	(1) 4,877	(564)		
ASH FLOW STATEMENT a Free Cash Flows from Operations (FCFO)	(798)	2,662	(171)		
b Net Cash from Operating Activities before Working Capital Changes	(888)	2,002	(657)		
c Changes in Working Capital	452	2,037	(222)		
Net Cash provided by Operating Activities	(436)	4,762	(879)		
2 Net Cash (Used in) or Available From Investing Activities	(26)	(4,410)	4,645		
3 Net Cash (Used in) or Available From Financing Activities	163	(676)	(1,905)		
1 Net Cash generated or (Used) during the period	(298)	(324)	1,861		
ATIO ANALYSIS Performance					
a Sales Growth (for the period)	-10.7%	1985.0%	-58.1%	0.0%	
b Gross Profit Margin	99.2%	99.9%	96.7%	68.0%	
c Net Profit Margin	80.8%	82.4%	-198.8%	40.8%	
d Cash Conversion Efficiency (FCFO adjusted for Working Capital/Sales)	-6.5%	79.4%	-138.4%	99.9%	
e Return on Equity [Net Profit Margin * Asset Turnover * (Total Assets/Shareholders' Equity)] Working Capital Management	35.2%	60.4%	-9.4%	4.3%	
a Gross Working Capital (Average Days)	N/A	7	147	65	
b Net Working Capital (Average Days)	-7	4	94	21	
c Current Ratio (Current Assets / Current Liabilities)	1.1	2.6	10.9	1.4	
Coverages					
a EBITDA / Finance Cost	-5.3	8.4	-0.5	0.8	
b FCFO / Finance Cost+CMLTB+Excess STB	-0.4	4.5	-0.2	0.4 -49.9	
c Debt Payback (Total Borrowings+Excess STB) / (FCFO-Finance Cost) Capital Structure	-3.0	0.4	-2.7	-49.9	
a Total Borrowings / (Total Borrowings+Shareholders' Equity)	17.7%	8.2%	22.2%	33.2%	
b Interest or Markup Payable (Days)	231.4	48.1	37.0	91.1	
c Entity Average Borrowing Rate	12.1%	13.2%	14.2%	15.4%	

A-3 Related Party Exposure: Represents investment in subsidiaries and associated undertakings of PKR: 14,661 mln (FY 22: PKR: 8,749mln)

Corporate Rating Criteria

Scale

Short-term Rating

Definition The highest capacity for timely repayment.

A strong capacity for timely

repayment. A satisfactory capacity for timely repayment. This may be susceptible to

adverse changes in business. economic, or financial conditions An adequate capacity for timely repayment.

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 may not be sufficient. Short-term Rating **A1**

A1+

AAA AA+AA AA- \mathbf{A} + A

A-BBB-BBB BBB-BB+ BB BB \mathbf{R} + В B-CCC CC С

A2

A3

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.

	Long-term Rating
Scale	Definition
AAA	Highest credit quality. Lowest expectation of credit risk. Indicate exceptionally strong capacity for timely payment of financial commitments
A+	
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-	
BB+	
BBB	Good credit quality. Currently a low expectation of credit risk. The capacity for timely payment of financial commitments is considered adequate, but adverse changes in circumstances and in economic conditions are more likely to impair this capacity.
BBB-	
BB+	Madanata dala Davahilitara Canadia dala davahasina Titana ina masihilitara Canadia dala
BB	Moderate risk. Possibility of credit risk developing. There is a possibility of credit risk developing, particularly as a result of adverse economic or business changes over time; however, business or financial alternatives may be available to allow financial commitments to be met.
BB-	
B+	
B	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.
B-	
CC	Very high credit risk. Substantial credit risk "CCC" Default is a real possibility.
CC	Capacity for meeting financial commitments is solely reliant upon sustained, favorable business or economic developments. "CC" Rating indicates that default of some kind appears probable. "C" Ratings signal imminent default.
С	appears probable. C Ratings signal miniment default.
D	Obligations are currently in default.

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 - c) Debt Instrument Rating d) Financial Institution Rating
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- f) Independent Power Producer Rating
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Nature of Instrument	Size of Issue (PKR)	Tenor	Security	Quantum of Security	Trustee	Book Value of Total Assets (PKR)	
Term Finance Certificate (TFC)	1,575mln	12 months	Secured	*Pledge of units of TPL REIT Fund I (unlisted) held by the Company with 30% margin; *Assignment of all Dividends from TPL RMC and TPL REIT Fund I; *Pari passu hypothecation charge over current assets of TPL Properties Limited and TPL RMC Limited covering the issue amount.	Pak Oman Investment Company Limited	17,268 mln	

Name of Issuer	PL Properties Limited				
Issue Date	29 Dec 2023				
Maturity	28 Dec 2024				
Option	-				

Due Date Principal*	Opening Principal	Principal Repayment*	Due Date Markup/ Profit*	Markup/Profit rate	3M Kibor Plus 200bps	Markup/Profit Payment	Installment Payable	Principal Outstanding
	PKR in mln		rrollt*			PKR in mln		
29-Dec-2023 (Issuance)	1,575	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,575
	1,575	-	28-Mar-24	3M KIBOR + 200bps	23.45%	92.33	92.33	1,575
	1,575	-	28-Jun-24	3M KIBOR + 200bps	23.45%	92.33	92.33	1,575
	1,575	-	28-Sep-24	3M KIBOR + 200bps	23.45%	92.33	92.33	1,575
28-Dec-24	1,575	1,575	28-Dec-24	3M KIBOR + 200bps	23.45%	92.33	1,667.33	-
		1,575				369.32	1,944.32	

Note: The Markup rate will be calculated using the base rate (3M KIBOR) which will be set for the first time on the disbursment date using the Base Rate of one business day prior to the drawdown and subsequently every three months thereafter utilizing the Base Rate prevalant one business day prior to the start of upcomming markup period. The above calculations of markup are tentative and are done using Base Rate on 28th Dec 2023.