INITIAL CREDIT RATING REPORT ALMAJ VARIETIES STORE

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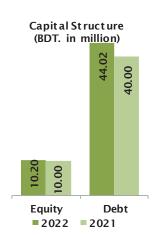
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Key Snapshot:

BDT. in million

22	
2022	2021
60.47	52.58
3.69	2.90
2.94	2.19
54.22	50.00
10.20	10.00
44.02	40.00
4.9%	4.2%
38.00	41.00
8.44	7.31
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SME Rating	Rating Notch	Outlook	Date of Declaration	Date of Expiration
	WCRSME3	Stable	26 September 2023	25 September 2024

Financial Based on-Unaudited financial statements up to 31 December 2022.

Methodology: SME rating methodology published on the WCRCL website at www.wasocreditrating.com

RATING RATIONALE

WCRCL has assigned 'WCRSME3' (pronounced as WASO Credit Rating Small & Medium Enterprise Three) rating under the SME Rating to **Almaj Varieties Store** (hereinafter referred as "AVS" or "**The Enterprise**") based on its financial and other relevant qualitative and quantitative information up-to the date of the rating issuance.

The above rating has been assigned based on the fundamentals of the enterprise which includes:

- Experienced and skilled management
- Satisfactory banking relationship
- Good mortgage security coverage against loan
- Good business network
- Good interest coverage position
- Low levered capital structure

However, the above rating has been moderated to some extent due to some factors like:

- Tight liquidity position with long cash conversion cycle
- No insurance coverage
- Low disclosure of financial statements
- Low management information system (MIS) and Manual accounting system

The SME rating implies that the enterprise is adjudged to **Above average** credit quality.

WCRCL also viewed the enterprise with "**Stable**" outlook and believes that AVS will be able to maintain its good fundamentals in the foreseeable future.

This rating may be revised in case of any extraordinary changes in line with the sponsor's equity investment, debt obligations, management, business operations and/or changes in any macro and micro factors in the economy.