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SME Rating	Rating Notch	Outlook	Date of Declaration	Date of Expiration
	WCRSME3	Stable	22 August 2023	21 August 2024

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

RATING RATIONALE

WCRCL has reaffirmed 'WCRSME3' (pronounced as WASO Credit Rating Small and Medium Enterprise Three) rating under the SME Rating to **Fakir & Sons** (hereinafter referred as "F&S" 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 reaffirmed based on the fundamentals of the enterprise which includes:

- Experienced and skilled management
- Owned business premises
- Satisfactory banking relationship
- 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
- Low disclosure of financial statements
- Low management information system (MIS) and Manual accounting system

The SME rating implies that the enterprise has above average credit quality.

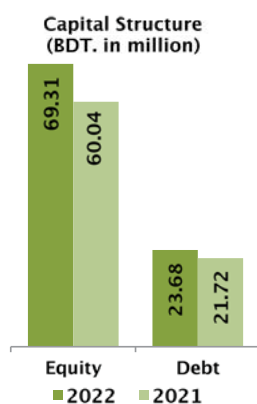
WCRCL also viewed the enterprise with "Stable" outlook and believes that F&S will be able to maintain its good fundamentals in the foreseeable future.

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.

Key Snapshot:

Tk. in million

Particulars	2022	2021
Sales	134.84	117.25
EBIT	18.25	15.56
Net Profit	16.92	14.34
Total Assets	92.98	81.76
Total Equity	69.31	60.04
Total debt	23.68	21.72
Net Profit Margin (%)	12.5	12.2
CCC	273	294
ICR	14.19	13.30



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