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5	Rating Notch	Outlook	Date of Declaration	Date of Expiration
SME Rating	WCRSME3	Stable	19 September 2023	18 September 2024

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Bank Name	Mode of Investment	Sanctioned Amount	Outstanding Amount	Date of Outstanding
Premier Bank Limited	OD(WO)	10.40	-	18.09.2023

Financial Based on-Management prepared financial statements up to 30th June 2022.

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

Key Snapshot:

BDT. in million

Particulars	FY22	FY21		
Revenue	463.14	402.73		
EBIT	60.52	49.30		
Net Profit	44.95	35.14		
Total Assets	314.30	299.39		
Total Equity	192.82	185.04		
Debt	121.48	114.35		
Net Profit Margin (%)	9.7	8.7		
CCC (Days)	198	217		
ICR (X)	3.89	3.48		

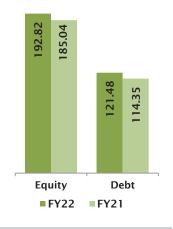
RATING RATIONALE

WCRCL has reaffirmed 'WCRSME3' (pronounced as WASO Credit Rating Small and Medium Enterprise Three) rating under the SME Rating to Kachua Press & Publication (hereinafter referred as "KPP" 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
- Good business network
- Good interest coverage position
- Low levered capital structure

Capital Structure (BDT. in million)



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

- Tight liquidity position
- Low disclosure of financial statements
- 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 KPP 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.

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