

INITIAL CREDIT RATING REPORT HOWLADER NIRMAN CONSTRUCTION

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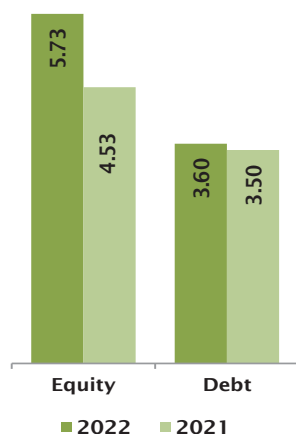
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Key Snapshot:

BDT. in million

Particulars	2022	2021
Revenue	22.00	21.80
EBIT	1.87	1.51
Net Profit	1.61	1.15
Total Assets	10.10	8.17
Total Equity	5.73	4.53
Total debt	3.60	3.50
Net Profit Margin (%)	7.3	5.3
CCC (Days)	122	112
ICR (X)	7.48	4.31

Capital Structure
(BDT. in million)



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SME Rating	Rating Notch	Outlook	Date of Declaration	Date of Expiration
	WCRSME3	Stable	31 October 2023	30 October 2024

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 and Medium Enterprise Three) rating under the SME Rating to Howlader Nirman Construction (hereinafter referred as "HNC" 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:

- Long business experiences of the proprietor in the business
- Owned business premises and storage facility
- Low levered capital structure
- Satisfactory banking relationship
- Good mortgage security coverage against loan

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

- Low disclosure in the financial statements
- Tight liquidity position considering long cash conversion cycle
- No insurance coverage for the inventory in stock
- 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 HNC 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.