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SME Rating	Rating Notch	Outlook	Date of Declaration	Date of Expiration
	WCRSME3	Stable	26 December 2023	25 December 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 **Chowdhury Enterprise** (hereinafter referred as “CE” 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
- Regular loan repayment history
- 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
- Rented business premises and storage facility
- Insufficient transparency in financial statement disclosures
- Absence of transportation facilities
- Weak internal controls and risk management practices
- Minimal technological infrastructure and digitalization efforts

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

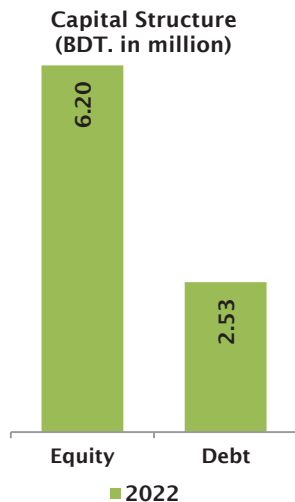
WCRCL also viewed the enterprise with “Stable” outlook and believes that CE will be able to maintain its good fundamentals in the foreseeable future.

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:

BDT. in million

Particulars	2022
Revenue	10.00
EBIT	0.93
Net Profit	0.80
Total Assets	8.73
Total Equity	6.20
Total debt	2.53
Net Profit Margin (%)	8.0%
CCC (Days)	249
ICR (X)	7.40



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