

**Rating Rationale** 

#### **IFCI Factors Limited**

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# Brickwork Ratings revises ratings for the Non-Convertible Debentures/Bonds Issue of ₹. 158.10 Crores of IFCI Factors Limited

#### **Particulars**

Facility	Previous Amount (Rs. Crs)	Current Amount (Rs. Crs)	Tenor	Rating History (Aug 2018)	Current Rating (Aug 2019)	
Unsecured NCD	100	100	Long	BWR BBB (Pronounced as BWR	BWR BB+ (Pronounced as BWR	
Secured NCD*	58.10	58.10	Term	Triple B) (Outlook: Stable)	Double B Plus) (Outlook: Stable) (downgrade)	

<sup>\*</sup>Please refer to BWR website <a href="https://www.brickworkratings.com/">www.brickworkratings.com/</a> for definition of the ratings

## **Rating Downgraded**

## Rationale/Description of Key Rating Drivers/Rating sensitivities:

BWR has essentially relied upon the audited financial results up to FY19, publicly available information and information and clarifications provided by the Company.

The rating downgrade takes into account the weak financial performance during FY19, weak asset quality, additional slippages during last quarter and weakening in parent's financial profile.

The rating is further constrained by risky nature of business owing to factoring business majority of which is unsecured, moderate profile of the borrowers currently in standard category, decline in loan book and moderate capitalization. These factors are partially offset by comfortable liquidity position and robust provisioning of more than 90% for the stressed assets.

Going forward, the Company's ability to recover from the stressed assets, grow its asset book and bringing back profitability to the business shall remain the key rating sensitivities.



## **Description of Key Rating Drivers**

#### **Credit Weakness**

- Weak financial performance during FY19: Overall AUM of the company went down from Rs. 705.41 Crs at the end of FY18 to Rs. 632.95 Crs at the end of FY19. Interest income of the company also reported decline from Rs. 21.56 Crs in FY18 to Rs. 12.85 Crs during FY19. Further, the company reported a loss of Rs. 20.07 Crs against the projected profit after tax of Rs. 5.52 Crs for FY19.
- Weak asset profile and additional slippages during June Quarter of FY20: The company has more than half of the portfolio under stressed asset category. Gross NPA for the company stood at 52.95%. Though the company did not report any fresh slippages during 5 quarters ending March 2019, new delinquencies took place in the quarter ending June 2019. More than 80% of the portfolio is into factoring and around 79% of the portfolio is unsecured with majority of it being in the factoring business. The company also reported fresh delinquencies worth Rs. 12.68 Crs, which may further require additional provisioning. Though management is confident of recovering a large portion of the exposure, in the short run it can put downward pressure on the profitability margins.
- **Moderate capital adequacy:** Capital adequacy ratio for the company increased marginally from 15.95% as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 to 17.32% as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019. Improvement in capital adequacy indicators was on account of conversion of Rs. 20 Crs of debt into equity. With CRAR marginally above the minimum requirement of 15%, there is a limited room available for any more losses unless fresh equity is infused. Any further losses can push the CRAR below the minimum requirement of 15%, which will also be a key monitorable going ahead.

### **Credit Strengths:**

- Comfortable liquidity position: The company has comfortable liquidity position as indicated by positive cumulative mismatch across all the time buckets. The company as at June end had Rs. 80 Crs of un-utilized lines from banks. In additional to that the company also had around Rs. 19.26 Crs of cash balance as on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 against which the company had a fixed payment of Rs. 6.99 Crs of outstanding term loan and remaining facilities are working capital in nature which get rollover every year. The company also expects to recover around Rs. 40 Crs from stressed asset during the current fiscal.
- **Robust provisioning levels:** The company has further increased the provisioning from 80.72% as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 to 90.67% as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 bringing down the Net NPA from 18.54% to 9.50% during the same period. Any recovery from stressed assets is expected to help company improve its bottom line.



## **Analytical Approach**

For arriving at its ratings, BWR has applied its rating methodology as detailed in the Rating Criteria detailed below (hyperlinks provided at the end of this rationale).

## **Rating Outlook:** *Stable*

BWR believes the **IFCI Factors Limited** business risk profile will be maintained over the medium term. The 'Stable' outlook indicates a low likelihood of rating change over the medium term. The rating outlook may be revised to 'Positive' in case the company reports growth in the AUM with positive bottom line. The rating outlook may be revised to 'Negative' if the company continues to report losses with declining asset base.

## **About the Company**

IFCI Factors Ltd (IFL) is a subsidiary of IFCI Ltd. IFCI Ltd holds 99.89% shares in the Company as on March 31, 2019. IFL is primarily in the business of factoring bills (recourse factoring), which are generally up to 120 days usance. IFLs advances are of short-term nature supported by credit facilities with fixed rate of interest for that tenor. IFL only factors 80%-90% of the invoice value to protect itself from any short payment by the debtor.

During FY18, Mr. E Sankara Rao (MD of IFCI Ltd) joined the Company's Board as its Chairman and Mr. Bikash Kanti Roy is the Managing Director.

#### **Company Financial Performance**

The company reported an interest income of Rs. 12.85 Crs with a net loss of Rs. 20.07 Crs during FY19 as against an interest income of Rs. 21.56 Crs with a net loss of 35.93 Crs during FY18

**Key Financial Indicators** 



Key Financial Figures					
Particulars	Unit	FY18(Audited)	FY19(Audited)		
Gross AUM	Rs. Crores	705.41	632.95		
Gross NPA	%	54.14%	52.95%		
Net NPA	%	18.54%	9.50%		
Net Interest Income Rs. Crores		-21.05	-21.06		
PAT	Rs. Crores	-35.93	-20.07		
Equity & Reserves Rs. Crores		127.28	127.18		
CRAR %		15.95%	17.32%		

## **Rating History for the last three years**

Sl. No.	Instrument	Current Rating (Aug 2019)		Rating History			
	Bonds	Туре	Amoun t (Rs Crs)	Rating	2018	2017	2016
1.	Secured NCD		58.10	BWR BB+ (Pronounced as	BWR BBB	BWR BBB+ (Pronounced as	BWR A-
2.	Unsecured NCD	Long Term	100	BWR Double B Plus) Outlook: Stable [Downgrade]	(Pronounced as BWR Triple B) Outlook: Stable	BWR Triple B Plus) Outlook: Negative	(Pronounced as BWR Single A Minus) Outlook: Stable
Total			158.10	INR One Hundred Fifty-Eight Crores and Ten Lakhs Only			

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA (if applicable)-NA

Hyperlink/Reference to applicable Criteria



- General Criteria
- Approach to Financial Ratios

#### For any other criteria obtain hyperlinks from website

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