

Press Release HIREN WAHEN BUILDTECH PRIV ATE LIMITED November 10, 2023 Rating Assigned



Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Non Convertible Debentures (NCD)	60.40	Provisional ACUITEC Assigned	-
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	60.40	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuite' has assigned its long term rating of 'Provisional ACUITE C' (read as Provisional ACUITE C) on the Rs 125.00 Cr proposed Non-Convertible Debentures of Hiren Wahen Buildtech Private limited (HWBPL).

The rating on the proposed Rs.60.40 Cr Non-convertible debentures is provisional and the final rating is subject to the following documents

- 1. Receipt of the executed trust deed
- 2. Receipt of the No-objection Certificate (NOC) from the existing lender i.e. HDFC bank after satisfaction of debt.
- 3. Receipt of the final term sheet and confirmation from trustee regarding the compliance with all the terms and conditions
- 4. Legal opinion on the transaction, if applicable

Rationale for rating assigned

The rating assigned takes into account the established presence of promotor group in real estate market, promotor's extensive experience and recent favourable developments in the form of TDR clearances. These strengths are partially offset by geographical concentration in the revenue profile, past delays in completion of the project and susceptibility of cyclicality in completion of real estate projects. Further, HWB has also defaulted in its repayments of construction loan and opted for the re finance of the loan with issue of NCDs. Going forward, Acuite expects that financial risk profile and liquidity of the group improves with refinance through the issue of NCDs.

About Company

Hiren Wahen Buildtech Private Limited was incorporated in 2011 is based in Bangalore. The company is engaged in construction of residential and commercial projects. Currently the company is managed by Mr. Narendra Babu Kalahasthi, Mr. Prakash Lakshmaiah and Mrs. Soujanya Reddy.

About the Group

Hiren Wahen Buildtech – Is a partnership firm incorporated in 2019 as a Special purpose vehicle (SPV) to construct a residential tower at Panathur main road, Bangalore named as 'High cliff'. Firm is managed by partners Mr.Narendra Babu Kalahasti and Mr.L.Prakash.



Analytical Approach

Extent of Consolidation

Full Consolidation

Rationale for Consolidation or Parent / Group / Govt. Support

Team has consolidated the business and financial risk profile of Hiren Wahen Buildtech private Itd(HWBPL) and Hiren Wahen buildtech(HWB) (partnership firm) as HWBPL holds 95 percent share in HWB and common line of business of both entities. Both the entities together referred as Hiren Wahen buildtech group (HWBG).

Key Rating Drivers

Strengths

Experienced promotors and established track record of operations

Hiren wahen group was founded in 2011 by Mr.Narendra Babu Kalahasti and group has an adequate experience in construction of projects in various segments including residential layout, apartments and premium villas in Bangalore city. Hiren Wahen Buildtech private limited (HWBPL) is incorporated in the year 2011. HWBPL has incorporated Hiren Wahen buildtech (HWB) as a partnership firm in the year 2019 as a Special purpose Vehicle (SPV) in partnership with landlord Mr.L.Prakash to construct a residential towers near Outer ring road (ORR), Marathahalli, Bangalore with a total area of 2,46,000 Sq ft comprising of 196 apartments.

Weaknesses

Past Delays in the project completion

Project was launched in 2019 but construction was delayed due to TDR (Transferable development rights) loading and clearance from government agencies for registered development rights certificate documents. HWB has approached Honourable High Court of Karnataka, received the order to release TDRs within 30 days in October 2022, but the TDRs were received in August 2023 hampering the project progress and loan repayment ability.

High dependence on refinancing for sustainability of operations

HWB has faced the liquidity issues due to delay in obtaining TDR clearances and project construction which has resulted in delay in repayment of construction loan. In order to re finance its loan obligation, group is planning to issue NCDs to clear the construction loan dues and complete the project. However, successful refinance is dependent upon the compliance of various precedent conditions laid down in the term sheet. Timely refinance of the debt would be the key rating sensitivity.

Susceptible to real estate cyclicality and regulatory risks

The real estate industry in India is highly fragmented with most of the real estate developers, having a city-specific or region-specific presence. The risks associated with the real estate industry are cyclical in nature of business (drop in property prices) and interest rate risk, among others, which could affect the operations. HWG is exposed to the risk of volatile prices on account of demand-supply mismatches in the Chennai real estate industry. The company is exposed to market risks for the unsold inventory, in terms of sales velocity, pricing and timely collection. Further, the industry is exposed to regulatory risk, which is likely to impact players such as HWG, thereby impacting its operating capabilities. However, Acuité believes that from the customer demand for the project being mitigates the risks to an extent on account of improved sales velocity in current financial year.

Rating Sensitivities

• Timely refinancing by issuance of NCD

All Covenants

None

Liquidity: Stretched

The liquidity position is stretched due to low net cash accruals of the company in FY2023 and FY2022 against the repayment obligation. However, with the debt refinancing and issuance of proposed NCDs, liquidity of HWB may improve in near to medium term. HWB is mainly dependent on collection of receivables from sold units, NCD proceeds and sale proceeds from unsold units for project funding and NCDs repayment obligation. Timely collection of these receivables from old units will be key monitor able for the assessment of liquidity position of HWB.

Outlook: Not applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

None

Key Financials

Particulars	Unit	FY 23 (Actual)	FY 22 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	5.04	7.58
PAT	Rs. Cr.	0.31	0.31
PAT Margin	(%)	6.11	4.04
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	12.88	19.41
PBDIT/Interest	Times	1.12	1.09

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

Not Applicable

Any Other Information

None

Applicable Criteria

- Application Of Financial Ratios And Adjustments: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.htm
- Consolidation Of Companies: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-60.htm
- Default Recognition: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm
- Real Estate Entities: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-63.htm

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Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Complexity Level	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Proposed Non Convertible Debentures	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	49.90	Provisional ACUITE C Assigned
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Proposed Non Convertible Debentures	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	10.50	Provisional ACUITE C Assigned

^{*}Annexure 2 - List of Entities (applicable for Consolidation or Parent / Group / Govt **Support)** Hiren Wahen Builtech

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