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Real Granito Pvt. Ltd.: Ratings reaffirmed

Summary of rating action

Instrument*	Previous Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
Fund Based - Term Loan	3.85	3.85	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) reaffirmed
Fund Based - Cash Credit	12.00	12.00	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) reaffirmed
Non-fund Based - Letter of Credit/Bank Guarantee	2.00	2.00	[ICRA]A4 reaffirmed
Total	17.85	17.85	

*Instrument details are provided in Annexure-1

Rationale

The ratings remain constrained by Real Granito Pvt. Ltd.'s (RGPL) moderate financial risk profile, characterised by its modest scale operations, a moderate capital structure and coverage indicators, along with a high working capital intensity. The ratings factor in the intense competition in the ceramic industry and the exposure of the company's profitability to the volatility in raw material and fuel prices. The ratings further note that RGPL's operations and cash flows are exposed to the cyclical nature in the real estate industry, which is the main end-user sector.

The ratings, however, favourably factor in the extensive experience of the promoters in the ceramic industry and the proximity to raw material sources, by virtue of its presence in Morbi (Gujarat).

The Stable outlook on the [ICRA]B+ rating reflects ICRA's opinion that RGPL is expected to maintain its business position.

Key rating drivers and their description

Credit strengths

Extensive experience of promoters - The company is managed by directors who have an extensive experience in the ceramic industry through their association with other entities involved in the ceramic business.

Location-specific advantage - The company benefits from low transportation costs and easy access to quality raw materials, and power and fuel sources, owing to the plant's strategic location in the Morbi region of Gujarat, which is considered to be the ceramic hub of India.

Credit challenges

Moderate financial risk profile - RGPL's scale of operations remains moderate with an operating income of Rs. 47.5 crore in FY2021. In 11M FY2022, the company has achieved revenues of Rs. 55.8 crore (on a provisional basis). Further, its operating and net profitability was moderate at 12.8% and 3.4%, respectively, in FY2021. RGPL's net worth was eroded due to net losses in FY2018 and FY2019, which coupled with high debt levels, has led to an adverse capital structure. The coverage indicators also remained moderate with total debt/OPBDITA at 4.2 times and NCA/TD at 15% in FY2021. Further, the working capital intensity remained high with NWC/OI at 31% in FY2021, because of elongated receivables and high inventory holding. Consequently, the creditors also remained stretched to support the liquidity.

Vulnerability of profitability to adverse fluctuations in raw material and fuel prices - Raw material (body clay, feldspar and glazed frit) and fuel (PNG) are the two major cost components for the company and thus, its profitability remains susceptible to the fluctuations in raw material and fuel prices, given its limited ability to pass on the rise to customers amid the intense

industry competition. Further, ICRA notes that the gas prices have witnessed significant upsurge in the recent past. Despite the periodic price revisions undertaken by the company, its ability to continue to pass on the same in a timely manner remains to be seen and could exert pressure on its margins in FY2022.

Intense competition and cyclical in real estate industry - The ceramic tile industry is characterised by stiff competition because of low entry barriers. The presence of both organised and numerous unorganised players in the industry limits RGPL's pricing flexibility and the bargaining power with customers, thereby putting pressure on its revenues and margins. Further, the real estate industry is the major end-user of ceramic tiles, and hence the company's profitability and cash flows are highly vulnerable to the cyclical in the real estate industry.

Liquidity position: Stretched

RGPL's liquidity is stretched because of high working capital requirements, which has resulted in full utilisation of its working capital limits. In FY2022, the liquidity was supported by an emergency credit line of ~Rs. 1.5 crore. Going forward, timely support from promoters through equity infusion/unsecured loans will remain critical in case of any cash flow mismatches.

Rating sensitivities

Positive factors - ICRA could upgrade RGPL's ratings if sustained increase in revenues and profitability leads to higher-than-expected cash accruals. This, along with better working capital management and significant improvement in net worth, leading to an improvement in the overall financial risk profile, may also result in a rating upgrade.

Negative factors - Pressure on RGPL's ratings could arise if a decline in revenues and profitability leads to lower-than-expected cash accruals, or if any major debt-funded capital expenditure, or stretch in the working capital cycle, further weakens the company's capital structure and liquidity profile.

Analytical approach

Analytical Approach	Comments
Applicable Rating Methodologies	Corporate Credit Rating Methodology
Parent/Group Support	Not applicable
Consolidation/Standalone	The ratings are based on the standalone financial statements of the rated entity.

About the company

Real Granito Pvt. Ltd., incorporated in 2010, was involved in the manufacture of single-charge vitrified tiles before it started manufacturing glaze vitrified tiles in FY2019. Its manufacturing facility is at Morbi, Rajkot (Gujarat), with an installed capacity of ~75,000 MTPA (~21 lakh boxes per annum). The company is managed by Directors who have an extensive experience in the ceramic industry through their association with other entities involved in the ceramic business.

Key financial indicators (audited)

Standalone	FY2020	FY2021
Operating Income (Rs. crore)	51.5	47.5
PAT (Rs. crore)	0.1	1.6
OPBDIT/OI (%)	59.8%	51.6%
PAT/OI (%)	6.7%	-8.1%
Total Outside Liabilities/Tangible Net Worth (times)	2.2	2.0
Total Debt/OPBDIT (times)	3.3	4.9
Interest Coverage (times)	2.6	1.7

PAT: Profit after Tax; OPBDIT: Operating Profit before Depreciation, Interest, Taxes and Amortisation

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

Instrument	Current Rating (FY2023)				Chronology of Rating History for the past 3 years		
	Type	Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Amount Outstanding as on Dec-21 (Rs. crore)	Date & Rating on	Date & Rating in FY2022	Date & Rating in FY2021	Date & Rating in FY2020
				Apr 7, 2022	Apr 7, 2021	Apr 8, 2020	-
1 Term Loan	Long-term	3.85	5.08	[ICRA]B+ (Stable)	[ICRA]B+ (Stable)	[ICRA]B (Stable)	-
2 Cash Credit	Long-term	12.00	NA	[ICRA]B+ (Stable)	[ICRA]B+ (Stable)	[ICRA]B (Stable)	-
3 Bank Guarantee	Short-term	1.50	NA	[ICRA]A4	[ICRA]A4	[ICRA]A4	-
4 Letter of Credit	Short-term	0.50	NA	[ICRA]A4	[ICRA]A4	[ICRA]A4	-

Amount in Rs. crore

Complexity level of the rated instruments

Instrument	Complexity Indicator
Long-term Fund based Term Loan	Simple
Long-term Fund based Cash Credit	Simple
Short-term Non-fund based Bank Guarantee	Very Simple
Short-term Non-fund based Letter of Credit	Very Simple

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Annexure-1: Instrument details

ISIN No	Instrument Name	Date of Issuance / Sanction	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Current Rating and Outlook
NA	Term Loan	FY2018	9.8%	FY2025	3.85	[ICRA]B+ (Stable)
NA	Cash Credit	NA	NA	NA	12.00	[ICRA]B+ (Stable)
NA	Bank Guarantee	NA	NA	NA	1.50	[ICRA]A4
NA	Letter of Credit	NA	NA	NA	0.50	[ICRA]A4

Source: Real Granito Pvt. Ltd.

Annexure-2: List of entities considered for consolidated analysis: Not applicable

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