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## Spandana Sphoorty Financial Limited: Rating withdrawn for PTCs issued under a microfinance loan securitisation transaction

### Summary of rating action

Trust Name	Instrument*	Initial Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Amount O/s after Last Surveillance (Rs. crore)	Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
Nimbus 2023 MFI Cosmos	PTC Series A1	41.01	12.60	0.00	[ICRA]AA+(SO); Withdrawn

\*Instrument details are provided in Annexure I

### Rationale

ICRA has withdrawn the rating for pass through certificates (PTCs) issued under securitisation transaction backed by microfinance loans receivables originated by Spandana Sphoorty Financial Limited (SSFL) (SSFL/Originator; rated [ICRA]A+(Stable)) as tabulated above. All the payouts to the investors in the above-mentioned instrument have been made and no further payments are due to the investor(s).

The key rating drivers, liquidity position, rating sensitivities have not been captured as the rating assigned to the instrument has been withdrawn. The previous detailed rating rationales of previous rating exercise can be accessed [here](#).

### Analytical approach

Analytical Approach	Comments
Applicable rating methodologies	<a href="#">ICRA's Policy on Withdrawal of Credit Rating</a>
Parent/Group support	Not Applicable
Consolidation/standalone	Not Applicable

### About the Originator

Spandana Sphoorty Financial Limited (SSFL) was incorporated in 2003 as a non-banking financial company (NBFC). However, it took over the microfinance operations of Spandana, a non-governmental organisation in 1998. The company was classified as an NBFC-microfinance institution (NBFC-MFI) in 2015. Following the microfinance crisis in Andhra Pradesh (AP), the company entered into a master restructuring agreement (MRA) as a part of the corporate debt restructuring (CDR) with its lenders in September 2011. It exited the CDR in April 2017 after equity investment led by Kedaara Capital Investment Managers Limited (Kedaara Capital) and fresh funding from three banks. SSFL completed its initial public offering (IPO) in August 2019. The current leadership team is led by Mr. Shalabh Saxena (Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer) and Mr. Ashish Damani (President & Chief Financial Officer). The company has a 10-member board of directors, including 5 independent directors.

### Key financial indicators (standalone)

	FY2022	FY2023	Q1 FY2025
Total income	1,355.8	2,386.7	686.9
Profit after tax	12.3	467.9	51.3
Total managed assets	9,933.3	13,852.3	13,250.5
Gross stage 3 (on b/s)	1.9%	1.6%	2.9%
CRAR	36.9%	32.0%	32.7%

Source: Company, ICRA Research; All ratios as per ICRA's calculations; Amount in Rs. crore

### Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

Any other information: None

### Rating history for past three years

Trust Name	Current Rating (FY2025)				Chronology of Rating History for the past 3 years			
	Instrument	Initial Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Current Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Date & Rating in FY2025		Date & Rating in FY2024	Date & Rating in FY2023	Date & Rating in FY2022
				November 14, 2024	April 30, 2024	April 25, 2023	March 09, 2023	-
Nimbus 2023 MFI Cosmos	PTC Series A1	41.01	0.00	[ICRA]AA+ (SO); Withdrawn	[ICRA]AA+ (SO)	[ICRA]AA-(SO)	Provisional [ICRA]AA-(SO)	-

### Complexity level of the rated instrument

Trust Name	Instrument	Complexity Indicator
Nimbus 2023 MFI Cosmos	PTC Series A1	Moderately Complex

The Complexity Indicator refers to the ease with which the returns associated with the rated instrument could be estimated. It does not indicate the risk related to the timely payments on the instrument, which is rather indicated by the instrument's credit rating. It also does not indicate the complexity associated with analysing an entity's financial, business, industry risks or complexity related to the structural, transactional, or legal aspects. Details on the complexity levels of the instruments are available on ICRA's website: [Click Here](#)

**Annexure I: Instrument details**

Trust Name	Instrument	Date of Issuance / Sanction	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Rating
<b>Nimbus 2023 MFI Cosmos</b>	PTC Series A1	March 08, 2023	10.00%	November 15, 2024	0.00	[ICRA]AA+(SO); Withdrawn

Source: Company

**Annexure II: List of entities considered for consolidated analysis**

Not Applicable

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