

The Pakistan Credit Rating Agency Limited

Rating Report

Be Be Jan Pakistan Limited

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		Rating History			
Dissemination Date	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating	Outlook	Action	Rating Watch
09-Dec-2022	BBB	A2	Stable	Initial	-

Rating Rationale and Key Rating Drivers

Be Be Jan Pakistan Limited is enjoying the position as one of Pakistan's icons of the textile industry with huge capacity in vertically integrated manufacturing facilities. The Company is covering all textile operations necessary to produce high-quality hospitality, healthcare, and home textile products. The Company is also a manufacturer and exporter of high-quality workwear for companies, organizations, and institutions, with a diverse product line. The Company has sound internal control and IT framework; Room for improvement exists in the governance structure given the absence of independent oversight on the board. The family management control good. The ratings incorporate the progressive growth of the Company over the years. While crossing the PKR 6bln of topline in FY22 (FY21: PKR 4.1bln). The increase in topline is primarily driven by an increase in fabric prices, while volumetric growth remained nominal. Expansion in volumetric growth is essential. Sales mix represents a major contribution from the export market (FY22: 80% of total revenue (FY21: 77%). Overall concentration risk remains elevated. Profitability margins (on both gross and net basis), following a decline in FY22, fell further in the ongoing year due to of an increasing trend in yarn prices and a significant uptick in power & energy cost. The liquidity profile is underpinned by adequate cash flow coverages in relation to outstanding obligations. The Company continues to maintain a moderately leveraged capital structure.

During FY22, Pakistan's textile exports surged to \$19.3bln (recording a growth of 26%). Exports grew owing to increased volumetric growth of (16% YoY) in the value-added segment, a steep rise in global demand, and record-high cotton prices. In July to August 2022, the cumulative exports of knitwear increased by 15.4% to \$1.32 billion; cotton cloth by 4.2% to \$580.5 million, and readymade garments by 5.9% to \$911.5 million over their exports in the same period of last year. However, bed wear exports were down 2.9% to \$780 million, towels 1.7% to \$237.3 million, and cotton yarn sales declined by 18%. However, a slowdown is expected in textile demand amid burgeoning inflationary pressures in the exporting destinations, especially in the US and European countries.

The ratings are dependent on the management's ability to uphold the entity's growing performance trend. Meanwhile, maintaining strong margins and coverages to fulfill financial obligations will remain critical.

Disclosure			
Name of Rated Entity	Be Be Jan Pakistan Limited		
Type of Relationship	Solicited		
Purpose of the Rating	Entity Rating		
Applicable Criteria	Methodology Corporate Rating(Jun-22),Methodology Correlation Between Long-term & Short-term Rating Scales(Jun-22),Methodology Rating Modifiers(Jun-22)		
Related Research	Sector Study Composite and Garments(Dec-21)		
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Composite and Garments

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Profile

Legal Structure Be Be Jan Pakistan Limited ('Be Be Jan' or 'The Company') is a Public (unlisted) Limited Company. It was incorporated in Punjab, Pakistan on November 19, 1978. The Company has two production facilities is located in Faisalabad.

Background Be Be Jan Pakistan Limited ('Be Be Jan' or 'The Company') was incorporated in Punjab, Pakistan as a Private Limited Company on November 19, 1978 under the Companies Ordinance, 1984 (Now the Companies Act, 2017) and was converted into a Public (unlisted) Limited Company with effect from November 08, 2001

Operations The principal business of the Company is the manufacturing and export of fabric and made-ups. The Company has two units. One unit is for Fabric; weaving unit with 140 looms. The Company has also two wrapping machines and one sizing machine. While the other unit is for home textile and apparel division with 405 stiching machines.

Ownership

Ownership Structure The ownership of the Company rests with the family of Mr. Usman including his mother, brother, and sisters. The major shareholding of the Company is owned by Mr. Usman Ehani (58%), Mrs. Aisha Saqib (23%), Mr. Faisal Ehani (09%), Ms. Marriam Saqib (2%), Mrs. Sonia Umer (2%) & Mrs. Fareeha Faisal (2%). While the rest is with Be Be Jan Protein Farms (Pvt.) Ltd.

Stability The Company was set up to engage and transfer over the technical and business skills of the first generation to the second generation of the Elahi family. The Company encompasses the advice and expertise of first-generation the and leadership of the new generation. Although, no official succession plan has been announced to date

Business Acumen The sponsors have vast experience and knowledge of various aspects of textile value-chain.

Financial Strength The sponsoring family has been involved in multiple businesses for more than 20 years. The sponsoring family has another textile company; Be Be Jan Textile Mills Limited. The sponsoring family has also two farming companies. This indicates sponsors' ability to provide support if the need arises.

Governance

Board Structure The Company has three-member board with the presence of sponsors and their families. The position of CEO is vested with Mrs. Aisha Saqib.

Members' Profile The members of the Board have relevant stature and extensive experience of around two decades of the textile industry. Currently, there are no independent directors on the board.

Board Effectiveness BoD meetings are held regularly in which discussion on various aspect are recorded in minutes and decision or action is referred to the CEO, Mrs. Aisha Saqib.

Financial Transparency M/s. Yousaf Adil, Chartered Accountants, is the external auditor of the Company. The auditor has expressed an unqualified opinion on the financial reports for the year ending 30th June 2022. The auditors fall under category' A' of SBP's panel of auditors.

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Organizational Structure The organizational structure of the Company is divided into three main departments namely, i) Procurement, ii) Administration and IT, iii) Marketing and iv) Technical. All department reports to the executive director.

Management Team Mrs. Aisha Saqib- CEO- holds a bachelor's degree and is in the Textile business for the last four decades. She is the Director of the Company since its incorporation in 1978. She actively takes part in and supervises all affairs of the Company.

Effectiveness The Company has no management committees. Sponsor's close involvement in day to day affairs of the business bodes well with the effectiveness of the Company.

MIS The Company has built an in-house ERP to cater to its business needs. The senior management monitors the business performance through certain Key MIS reports. Control Environment Production is completely order driven, there is a rigorous quality check done on the end product by the QC department. The Company has obtained ISO 9001, ISO 14001, SAI, GOTS, GRS, Sedex, OEKO-TEX, BCI, IRQAO & Higg Index certification.

Business Risk

Industry Dynamics During FY22, Pakistan's textile exports surged to \$19.3bln (recording a growth of 26%). Exports grew owing to increased volumetric growth of (16% YoY) in the value-added segment, a steep rise in global demand, and record-high cotton prices. Under the value-added category, the knitwear segment remained the top performer by posting 34% YoY growth in exports to \$5.1 billion in FY22 due to a sharp rise in global demand, especially in the US and European countries. Other valueadded segments such as ready-made garments, bed wear, and towel posted YoY growth of 29%, 19%, and 19% to \$3.9 billion, \$3.3 billion, and \$1.1 billion respectively. In July to August 2022, the cumulative exports of knitwear increased by 15.4% to \$1.32 billion; cotton cloth by 4.2% to \$580.5 million, and readymade garments by 5.9% to \$911.5 million over their exports in the same period of last year. However, bed wear exports were down 2.9% to \$780 million, towels 1.7% to \$237.3 million, and cotton yarn sales declined by 18%. However, a slowdown is expected in textile demand amid burgeoning inflationary pressures in the exporting destinations, especially in the US and European countries.

Relative Position With 140 operational looms, Be Be Jan Pakistan Limited's standalone position in Pakistan's looms capacity is considered small.

Revenues During FY22, the Company's revenue grew by 51% to stand at PKR 6,053mln; (FY21: PKR 4,073mln) primarily driven by an increase in fabric prices. The cost of sales of the company is inclined due to the increase in the prices of fuel and energy. Same with the case for the Company's operating expenses, as they also inclined by 48% and stood at PKR 377mln (FY21: PKR 255mln). This scenario ultimately translated into an operating profit of PKR 413mln (FY21: PKR 286mln). Finance costs also increased driven by the increase in the key policy rate. After the incorporation of finance costs, the net profit for FY22 stood at PKR 211mln (FY21: 181mln).

Margins During FY22, the Company's cost of goods sold increased by 49% to PKR 5,263mln (FY21: PKR 3,531mln). Consequently, the gross profit margin showed a slightly decline to 13.1% (FY21: 13.3%) and the operating profit margin to 6.8% (FY21: 7%).

Sustainability In line with improving business environment, the Company is planning to start a BMR, which will add 35 looms to existing capacity. The total cost of CAPEX is estimated to be PKR 376mln. BMR is expected to bring in efficiency gains, lowering cost per loom and will consequently improve margins.

Financial Risk

Working Capital During FY22, the Company's net working capital days slightly decreased to 77 days (FY21: 87 days) due to decrease in inventory (FY22: PKR 63mln, FY21: PKR 81mln). On the other hand, the Company's short term trade leverage increased and stood at 28.7% in FY22 (FY21: 27.6%). In FY22, current ratio of the Company is 4.7x (FY21: 5.1x).

Coverages FCFO of the Company during FY22 increased to PKR 386mln (FY21: PKR 314mln) due to an increase in EBITDA. Higher finance costs weakened the interest coverage ratio to 4.3x in FY22 (FY21: 6.7x).

Capitalization During FY22, the Company's leveraging deteriorates to 36.5% (FY21: 30.7%). Short-term borrowings makeup up 73% of the total borrowings, increased to PKR 1,333mln in FY22 (FY21: 1,127mln) and the overall borrowings of the Company also showed an upward trend and closed at PKR 1,821mln at the end of FY22 (FY21: 1,321mln).

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Be Be Jan Pakistan Limited Jun-22 Jun-21 Jun-20 Composite & Garments 12M 12M 12M A BALANCE SHEET 1 Non-Current Assets 2,890 2,561 2,320 2 Investments 3 Related Party Exposure 5 5 5 4 Current Assets 2,695 2,203 1,856 1,121 975 838 a Inventories b Trade Receivables 692 361 210 5 Total Assets 5,591 4,769 4,180 6 Current Liabilities 579 433 302 a Trade Payables 323 267 183 7 Borrowings 1,821 1,321 1,025 8 Related Party Exposure 37 45 9 Non-Current Liabilities 23 10 Net Assets 3.168 2.979 2.809 11 Shareholders' Equity 3,168 2,979 2,809 B INCOME STATEMENT 1 Sales 6,053 4,073 3,482 a Cost of Good Sold (3,033)(5,263)(3,531)2 Gross Profit 790 541 449 a Operating Expenses (377)(255)(265)413 286 3 Operating Profit 183 a Non Operating Income or (Expense) (28)(2) 60 4 Profit or (Loss) before Interest and Tax 385 284 243 a Total Finance Cost (111)(59)(80)b Taxation (63)(44)(36) 6 Net Income Or (Loss) 211 181 127 C CASH FLOW STATEMENT a Free Cash Flows from Operations (FCFO) 386 314 226 b Net Cash from Operating Activities before Working Capital Changes 275 258 142 c Changes in Working Capital (318)(264)132 1 Net Cash provided by Operating Activities (43) (5) 274 2 Net Cash (Used in) or Available From Investing Activities (409)(314)(45) (199) Net Cash (Used in) or Available From Financing Activities 473 279 4 Net Cash generated or (Used) during the period 21 (41) 31 D RATIO ANALYSIS 1 Performance a Sales Growth (for the period) 48.6% 17.0% 12.9% b Gross Profit Margin 13.1% 13 3% c Net Profit Margin 3.5% 4.5% 3.7% d Cash Conversion Efficiency (FCFO adjusted for Working Capital/Sales) 1.1% 1.2% 10.3% e Return on Equity [Net Profit Margin * Asset Turnover * (Total Assets/Shareholders' Equity)] 6.9% 6.3% 4.5% 2 Working Capital Management a Gross Working Capital (Average Days) 95 107 110 b Net Working Capital (Average Days) 77 87 91 c Current Ratio (Current Assets / Current Liabilities) 47 5.1 6.2 a EBITDA / Finance Cost 5.3 7.9 4.2 b FCFO/Finance Cost+CMLTB+Excess STB 2.8 3.8 3.1 c Debt Payback (Total Borrowings+Excess STB) / (FCFO-Finance Cost) 1.6 0.7 0.2 4 Capital Structure a Total Borrowings / (Total Borrowings+Shareholders' Equity) 36.5% 30.7% 26.7% b Interest or Markup Payable (Days) 28.3 56.2 26.0 5.7% 4.0% 6.2% c Entity Average Borrowing Rate



Credit Rating

Credit rating reflects forward-looking opinion on credit worthiness of underlying entity or instrument; more specifically it covers relative ability to honor financial obligations. The primary factor being captured on the rating scale is relative likelihood of default.

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C1-	Long-term Rating Definition		
Scale	Definition		
AAA	Highest credit quality. Lowest expectation of credit risk. Indicate exceptionally strong capacity for timely payment of financial commitments		
AA+			
AA	Very high credit quality. Very low expectation of credit risk. Indicate very strong capacity for timely payment of financial commitments. This capacity is not significantly vulnerable to foreseeable events.		
AA-			
A +			
	High credit quality. Low expectation of credit risk. The capacity for timely paymer financial commitments is considered strong. This capacity may, nevertheless, be vulnerable to changes in circumstances or in economic conditions.		
A-			
BBB+			
BBB	Good credit quality. Currently a low expectation of credit risk. The capacity for timely payment of financial commitments is considered adequate, but adverse changes in circumstances and in economic conditions are more likely to impair this capacity.		
BBB-			
BB+	Moderate risk. Possibility of credit risk developing. There is a possibility of credit risk		
BB	developing, particularly as a result of adverse economic or business changes over time; however, business or financial alternatives may be available to allow financial commitments to be met.		
BB-	communents to be met.		
B+			
В	High credit risk. A limited margin of safety remains against credit risk. Financia commitments are currently being met; however, capacity for continued payment contingent upon a sustained, favorable business and economic environment.		
B-			
CCC	Very high credit risk. Substantial credit risk "CCC" Default is a real possibility.		
CC	Capacity for meeting financial commitments is solely reliant upon sustained, favorable business or economic developments. "CC" Rating indicates that default of some kind		
C	appears probable. "C" Ratings signal imminent default.		
\mathbf{D}	Obligations are currently in default.		

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may not be sufficient. **Short-term Rating A1 A2** AAA AA+ $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}$ AA-Long-term Rating A BBB+ **BBB** BBB-BB+ $\mathbf{R}\mathbf{R}$ BB- \mathbf{R}_{\pm} В B-CCC CC

*The correlation shown is indicative and, in certain cases, may not hold.

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- b) Corporate Rating
- c) Financial Institution Rating
- d) Holding Company Rating
- e) Independent Power Producer Rating
- Microfinance Institution Rating
- g) Non-Banking Finance Companies
- (NBFCs) Rating

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- b) Debt Instrument Rating
- c) Sukuk Rating

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(Credit Rating Companies Regulations, 2016)

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