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Rating Report

M.Y. Bari Mills (Pvt.) Limited

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Dissemination Date	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating	Outlook	Action	Rating Watch
04-Aug-2021	BBB	A2	Stable	Maintain	-
06-Aug-2020	BBB	A2	Stable	Maintain	-
09-Aug-2019	BBB	A2	Stable	Maintain	-
14-Feb-2019	BBB	A2	Stable	Upgrade	-
31-Dec-2018	BBB-	A3	Stable	Upgrade	-
27-Jun-2018	BB+	A3	Stable	Maintain	-
29-Dec-2017	BB+	A3	Stable	Initial	-

Rating Rationale and Key Rating Drivers

Bari Mills is a family-owned private company operated by a seasoned business family of Karachi. The Company is primarily an export oriented, towel manufacturing concern. Overall export volumes of towel industry inclined during FY21. During 1HFY21 towel exports stood at PKR~72bln (USD~446mln) as compared to PKR~59bln (USD~379mln) in 1HFY20. This exhibited a growth of ~23% in PKR terms. Meanwhile, there was ~9% growth in quantitative terms. Growth in towel export sector was witnessed as Pakistan was able to attract export orders when regional players were struggling due to the pandemic and unable to meet demand. During 1HFY21, towel sector's contribution to overall textile exports was ~6%. Meanwhile, contribution to total country exports was ~3%. Towel industry enjoys relatively better margins that are reflected in MY Bari's profitability on the back of local cotton, which is more suitable for manufacturing towels. During 9MFY21 revenue of the Company significantly improved due to high towel demand from international markets i.e. Europe & USA. The revenues are expected to follow upward trajectory. However, this could be disrupted or slowdown by fourth wave of COVID-19. On standalone basis, the Company's concentration levels – both customer and geographical – are high with majority of company revenues (~46%) emanates from a single customer. Bari Mills continues to maintain leveraged capital structure. Due to prudent working capital management, working capital cycle of the Company showed improvements. Cash flows also posted a healthy growth resulted in better coverages. Going forward, in absence of any further debt-driven expansion in the medium-term, financial profile is expected to further improve.

The ratings are dependent on maintaining optimal operations and top-line amidst expected tough situation due to emerging fourth wave of Covid-19. Sustaining margins and reducing customer concentration, while maintaining financial risk at low level is critical. Meanwhile, strengthening of governance framework for better oversight of strategic affairs is considered essential.

Disclosure		
Name of Rated Entity	M.Y. Bari Mills (Pvt.) Limited	
Type of Relationship	Solicited	
Purpose of the Rating	Entity Rating	
Applicable Criteria	Methodology Corporate Rating(Jun-21),Criteria Correlation Between Long-term & Short-term Rating Scales(Jun-21),Criteria Rating Modifiers(Jun-21)	
Related Research	Sector Study Towel(Jan-21)	
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Profile

Legal Structure M.Y. Bari Mills (Pvt.) Limited (Bari Mills or 'the Company') was incorporated in 2012 as a private limited company.

Background Bari family is in textile industry for more than 6 decades. Previously, the family was ony involved in trading of yarn. However, with passage of time the family increased its business and started production of towel.

Operations Primary business of the Company is to manufacture and export towels. It exports its products to leading retailers, hospitality and healthcare industries across the world, primarily to USA, Germany, Norway and Sweden. Bari Mills has an integrated and modern setup including, weaving, and finishing, all under one roof. The Company has safely found its niche in the textile world with the addition of extensive new machinery in its wing, including Jacquard and Airjet looms, processing range and automatic stitching. Bari Mills has a capacity of 178 looms, including high speed air-jet 60 looms, semi auto 70 looms, jacquard and dobby 48 looms.

Ownership

Ownership Structure Bari Mills is owned by Bari family. Mr. Haroon Bari owns 20% stake in the Company, while rest of the shareholding (16%) is equally split between his five sons.

Stability Although there is no formal succession plan, the ownership of shares and business roles are equally divided between all the five brothers. Formation of a group holding company or documented succession plan would do well to secure the future of the company.

Business Acumen Bari family is involved in textile business for decades. The growth of the Company over the years reflect strong business acumen of the sponsors.

Financial Strength Overall, the group has revenue of ~11bln and is categorized as one of the major towel exporters of the country. The sponsors have the financial muscle and shown willingness to support the Company, if needed.

Governance

Board Structure The board comprises six members, all represent Bari family. The board is chaired by Mr. Haroon Bari. There is room for improvement at board level, through induction of more board members, including independent directors.

Members' Profile Mr. Haroon Bari is the Chairman of the Company and brings ~46 years of experience on the board. The board takes his valuable advice in time of need. Mr. Nabeel, Mr. Osama, Mr. Mustafa and Mr. Waqas, sons of Mr. Haroon Bari, serve as directors on the board. They all have been associated with the Company for fairly long time period.

Board Effectiveness The board has formed three committees, namely i) Audit Committee (BAC), ii) Human Resources and Remuneration Committee (HR&RC), and iii) Board Management Committee (BMC). However, the effectiveness of the board is being compromised as it is dominated by the sponsoring family. Meetings are held on scheduled basis on the routine matters. Additionally meetings are convened on "as and when required basis". There is no formal policy of recording board minutes.

Financial Transparency Parker Randall-A.J.S., Chartered Accountants, are the external auditors of the Company. They expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's annual financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2020. The firm is QCR rated by ICAP and is classified in category 'B' in the panel of auditors maintained by SBP.

Management

Organizational Structure The Chairman along with his five sons are actively involved in the day to day operations. The Company's management structure is divided into functional departments with clear lines of responsibility. Management team is headed by Mr. Nabeel Haroon Bari (CEO) and all directors are directly reportable to him.

Management Team Mr. Nabeel Haroon Bari is a graduate from UK in the field of commerce and has an overall working experience of ~20 years with this Company. Mr. Osama Haroon Bari looks after the finance side of the business and holds the position of Director Finance. Mr. Mustafa Haroon Bari and Mr. Waqas Harron Bari are Marketing Directors. Whereas, Mr. Adeel Haroon Bari holds the position of Director Admin and Compliance.

Effectiveness The Company has an informal structure of management committees to coordinate the Company's activities. Meetings among management are called when deemed fit and are participated in by relevant department heads. However, the management effectiveness can be improved by formalizing the management committee.

MIS Bari Mills is currently using dotNET based ERP system and is in the process of installing a better version of dotNET based ERP – ASP. The Company's MIS can be classified into three categories on the basis of periodicity – Daily, Weekly and Monthly. Regular MIS reports are submitted to top management relating to liquidity and profitability profile of the Company.

Control Environment Bari Mills is accredited with various International certifications. The Company holds certifications for its products and facilities and is periodically audited by internationally recognized certification bodies including Oeko Tex 100 Class-I and Class-II, BSCI, C-TPAT, Sedex, GOTS, BRC.

Business Risk

Industry Dynamics During IHFY21, towel exports increased in both quantitative and values terms and stood at PKR~72bln (USD~446mln) as compared to PKR~59bln (USD~379mln) in FY19. This exhibited a growth of ~23% in PKR terms. Meanwhile, there was ~9% growth in quantitative terms. The growth reflected Pakistan's recovery from COVID-19 pandemic, as it was able to attract export orders when regional players were still struggling due to the pandemic and unable to meet demand. During FY20, the towel sector's contribution to overall textile exports was ~6%. Meanwhile, contribution to total country exports was ~3%.

Relative Position The Company has an adequate position among towel exporters as it has ~5% market share in the Pakistan's total towel exports. Feroze 1888 is considered as the market leader in the towel industry with ~27% share.

Revenues The Company derives its revenue mainly by manufacturing towels. The revenue of the Company is export oriented as major revenue comes from exports regions. USA is the main region for exports, followed by Europe. During 9MFY21, the Company's topline clocked in at ~PKR 3,884mln (FY20: ~PKR 1,727), depicting an increase of 200%.

Margins During 9MFY21, gross margin clocked at ~15.4% (FY20: ~15%). However, operating margins reached to ~ 10% (FY20: ~8%). The net profit margin stood at ~4.5% (FY20: 6%).

Sustainability After Covid-19 outbreak there was an overall industry resumption which led to increase in export orders as well. The Company being an export-oriented entity have found an increasing trend from export destinations (USA and Europe). Going forward demand and sales of the company's product is expected to grow.

Financial Risk

Working Capital During 9MFY21, gross working capital days of the Company reached to 127 days (FY20: 213 days). However, working capital days of the Company are in-line with the industry average. Moreover, the Company had a short-term trade leverage of ~28.3% (FY20: ~25%), showing ample room against working capital.

Coverages During 9MFY21, the Company's free cashflows reached to ~PKR 401mln (FY20: ~PKR 116mln), owing to increase in sales. Meanwhile, finance cost increased to ~PKR 91mln (FY20: ~PKR 61mln), as the Company has shifted all borrowings to subsidized financing from SBP. In 9MFY21, the interest coverage ratio remained strong at 5.8x (FY20: 3.8x).

Capitalization Bari Mills maintains a moderately leveraged capital structure. During 9MFY21, the leveraging stood at ~57% (FY20: ~52%). Short term borrowings made up ~47% (FY20: ~57%) of the total borrowings. 100% of Company's borrowings have been availed at the SBP's concessionary rates. Going forward, with no major expansion plans in sight, leveraging is expected to remain at the same level.



The Pakistan	Credit	Rating	Agency	Limited

M.Y. Bari Mills (Pvt) Limited	Mar-21	Jı	un-20	Jun-19
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A BALANCE SHEET	1 22	c	1.020	001
1 Non-Current Assets 2 Investments	1,326 7		1,028 69	881 70
3 Related Party Exposure	7.	1	-	80
4 Current Assets	3,245	5	1,760	1,222
a Inventories	1,046		985	555
b Trade Receivables	1,283		293	180
5 Total Assets	4,642		2,857	2,253
6 Current Liabilities	1,460)	622	383
a Trade Payables	1,264	4	524	297
7 Borrowings	1,553	3	1,097	945
8 Related Party Exposure	435	5	120	12
9 Non-Current Liabilities		5	7	5
10 Net Assets	1,188		1,011	907
11 Shareholders' Equity	1,188	8	1,011	907
B INCOME STATEMENT				
1 Sales	3,884	4	1,727	1,857
a Cost of Good Sold	(3,284		(1,471)	
2 Gross Profit	599		256	332
a Operating Expenses	(200	0)	(118)	(107)
3 Operating Profit	400	0	138	224
a Non Operating Income or (Expense)	(10.	3)	45	158
4 Profit or (Loss) before Interest and Tax	296		183	382
a Total Finance Cost	(9.		(61)	
b Taxation	(29	•	(18)	
6 Net Income Or (Loss)	176	5	104	263
C CASH FLOW STATEMENT				
a Free Cash Flows from Operations (FCFO)	40.	1	116	318
b Net Cash from Operating Activities before Working Capital Changes	310		57	228
c Changes in Working Capital	(70		(70)	
1 Net Cash provided by Operating Activities	234	*	(13)	
2 Net Cash (Used in) or Available From Investing Activities	(432	2)	(275)	
3 Net Cash (Used in) or Available From Financing Activities	450	5	152	(316)
4 Net Cash generated or (Used) during the period	258	8	(136)	188
D RATIO ANALYSIS				
1 Performance a Sales Growth (for the period)	199.9%	,	7.0%	11.2%
b Gross Profit Margin	15.4%		4.8%	17.9%
c Net Profit Margin	4.5%		5.0%	14.2%
d Cash Conversion Efficiency (FCFO adjusted for Working Capital/Sales)	8.4%		2.7%	52.4%
e Return on Equity [Net Profit Margin * Asset Turnover * (Total Assets/Shareholders' Equity)]	24.5%		1.6%	29.4%
2 Working Capital Management				
a Gross Working Capital (Average Days)	127	,	213	183
b Net Working Capital (Average Days)	64	/	126	123
c Current Ratio (Current Assets / Current Liabilities)	2.2	1	2.8	3.2
3 Coverages				
a EBITDA / Finance Cost	6.2	1	9.7	5.3
b FCFO/Finance Cost+CMLTB+Excess STB	1.9	1	3.8	1.9
c Debt Payback (Total Borrowings+Excess STB) / (FCFO-Finance Cost)	1.9	1	5.6	1.8
4 Capital Structure				
a Total Borrowings / (Total Borrowings+Shareholders' Equity)	56.7%		2.2%	51.3%
b Interest or Markup Payable (Days)	52.4		21.4	52.6
c Entity Average Borrowing Rate	7.5%	2	2.9%	5.9%



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.

	Innancial obligations. The primary factor being captured on the rating sca
Scale	Long-term Rating 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 +	
A	High credit quality. Low expectation of credit risk. The capacity for timely payment of financial commitments is considered strong. This capacity may, nevertheless, be vulnerable to changes in circumstances or in economic conditions.
A-	
BBB+	
ввв	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
BB-	commitments to be met.
B+	
В	High credit risk. A limited margin of safety remains against credit risk. Financial commitments are currently being met; however, capacity for continued payment is contingent upon a sustained, favorable business and economic environment.
В-	
CCC	View historial and the Colombia and the CCCO'' Defects in the CCCO''
CC	Very high credit risk. Substantial credit risk "CCC" Default is a real possibility. Capacity for meeting financial commitments is solely reliant upon sustained, favorable business or economic developments. "CC" Rating indicates that default of some kind
\mathbf{C}	appears probable. "C" Ratings signal imminent default.
D	Obligations are currently in default.

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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

Instruments

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- b) Debt Instrument Rating
- c) Sukuk Rating

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