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Rating Report

Allawasaya Spinning Mills (Pvt) Limited

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		Rating History			
Dissemination Date	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating	Outlook	Action	Rating Watch
03-Mar-2022	BBB-	A3	Stable	Upgrade	-
26-Apr-2021	BB+	A3	Stable	Maintain	Yes
30-Apr-2020	BB+	A3	Stable	Maintain	Yes
30-Oct-2019	BB+	A3	Stable	Maintain	-
30-Apr-2019	BB+	A3	Stable	Maintain	-
28-Dec-2018	BB+	A3	Stable	Initial	-

Rating Rationale and Key Rating Drivers

Pakistan is the fourth-largest producer of cotton in the world. Punjab is of special importance in this regard as about 80% of the total production is produced in Punjab. This year, the cotton crop is being cultivated on about 4 million acres, which is expected to yield an average of more than 17 million per acre. The Punjab government is providing Rs. 1,000 per bag of approved varieties of seeds and whitefly protection to cotton growers for an area of more than 200,000 acres at a subsidy of Rs. 4.4 billion. The approved BT varieties of cotton are IUB 13, MNH 886, BS 15, Niab 878, and FH 142 while other approved varieties for specific districts should be selected in consultation with local agronomists.

Allawasaya Spinning Mills (Pvt.) Limited is a spinning mill manufacturing and sale of yarn. The Company manufactures various types of cotton rings and open-end yarn. The company generates almost 100% sales through local customers (70% are from Karachi and 30% are from Faisalabad). The upgrade in ratings reflects the improved business performance of the Company. Assigned ratings take into account the growth in revenues and higher margins. The profitability of the Company has grown over the years supported by strong margins led by operating efficiencies. The company's financial risk profile displays the improvement in cash flows, interest, and debt coverages along with a consistent low leveraged capital structure. Going forward, the planned CAPEX is expected to bring in efficiency gains and improve margins. The Company's association with an established business family in the spinning sector of the textile industry provides comfort to the ratings.

The ratings are dependent upon the management's ability to improve margins, profitability and financial profile of the Company. This includes keeping the debt levels manageable and improving the Company's competitive position in the industry. The sponsor's support and business acumen remain important for the ratings.

Disclosure			
Name of Rated Entity	Allawasaya Spinning 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 Spinning(Sep-21)		
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Spinning

Profile

Legal Structure Allawasaya Spinning Mills (Pvt) Limited ('Allawasaya Spinning' or 'The Company') was established in 2004. The Company's production facility is located in Multan.

Background The Company is a venture of "Jamil Family", a well-respected family of industrialists in Multan. The Company is engaged in the production of cotton yarn and man-made fibres.

Operations The Company operates a single spinning unit with 17,500 spindles. The Company's head office and production facility are located in Multan, on a 38 acres facility that the Company shares with Allawasaya Textile and Finishing Limited.

Ownership

Ownership Structure Mian Muhammad Jamil owns the company (7%) directly and (36%) indirectly through his daughters. Mian Alamgir Jamil, son of Mian Jamil owns (43%) directly and (14%) indirectly through his wife.

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 Jamil family. The Company encompasses the advice and expertise of first-generation and leadership of the new generation. Although, no official succession plan has been announced till date.

Business Acumen Besides Allawasaya Spinning, the family has a 34% stake in Allawasaya Textile & Finishing Mills Limited, which is engaged in the production of yarn as well. The sponsors have vast experience and knowledge of various aspects of textile value-chain.

Financial Strength Jamil family has a major stake in Allawasaya Textile & Finishing Mills Limited. Both Allawasaya's collectively own 38 acres land as their premises, most of which is not being utilized. The Company's management aims to capitalize on this asset by starting a real estate development project in the future.

Governance

Board Structure The board comprises of two people i.e. Mian Muhammad Jamil in the capacity of Chairman and Mian Alamgir Jamil as an executive director.

Members' Profile All the board members are highly qualified in different disciplines and carry ample experience in textile as well as other industries. Mian Muhammad Jamil is a textile engineer and carries 45 years of industry experience. Mian Alamgir has been associated with the textile business since 2002 and holds a BBA. Both board members are also on the board of directors of Allawasaya Textile and Finishing Mills Limited.

Board Effectiveness Being a private Company, Allawasaya Spinning does not comply with code of corporate governance and there is no independent director on the board. There is no system to record the board minutes and the overall governance structure needs improvement.

Financial Transparency External auditors of the company "PKF F.R.A.N.T.S & Co" are listed under category "B" by SBP. The auditors issued an unqualified opinion on the Company's financial statements for FY21.

Management

Organizational Structure The organizational structure of the Company is divided into three main departments namely, i) Finance, Admin & Marketing, ii) Purchase, and iii) Production. The finance, admin and marketing department reports directly to the CEO while other departments report to the Chairman.

Management Team Mian Alamgir, CEO of the Company has completed his BBA (Hons) and has been associated with the textile business since 2002, earning him excessive experience to run to handle the affairs of the Company. Other members of the management are also experienced and equipped with the knowledge of the Company and industry at large.

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 certification.

Business Risk

Industry Dynamics During the period July-December FY21-22, textile exports surged 26 percent YoY, fielding \$9.39 billion in total export remittances, as compared to \$7.44 billion in the same period last year. This is attributable to increase in demand for textile products internationally and channeling of export orders towards Pakistani market. On a YoY basis, the exports of value-added textile items increased in both quantity and value in December 2021. Going forward, the textile sector's outlook is expected to stay positive in the medium term where the demand for textile products is expected to sustain. In the local market, the textile sector has recorded strong performance. The relief measures introduced by the State Bank of Pakistan such as deferment of loan payments for one year, low-interest rates, and salary refinance scheme also provided comfort to the sector. Many players have also availed the TERF scheme announced by the Central Bank. This will lead to overall leverage of the sector to increase; however, on relaxed financing rates. The sustainability of demand pattern for the current higher orders from Europe and USA remains essential for the feasible utilization of added capacity by textile players.

Relative Position With 17,604 operational Spindles, Allawasaya Spinning Mills position in Pakistan's Spindle capacity is considered small. The Company plans to carry out a BMR to add 8,000 more Spindles to its existing capacity. However, even after the proposed expansion, the Company's share in local spinning industry will remain minimal

Revenues The Company does not have brand-based clientele and sells all of its output locally in Faisalabad through sales brokers. During FY21, the Company's revenue incline by 19% to PKR 1,376mln (FY20: PKR 1,160mln) due to better yarn prices in the local market. In 1HFY22, the revenue of the Company showed witnessed improvement and stood at PKR 1,445mln (1HFY21: PKR 698mln).

Margins During FY21, the Company's cost of goods sold decreased by 26% to PKR 1,382mln (FY20: PKR 1,098mln), mainly driven by hike in raw material and energy cost, which increased by 11% and 18% respectively YoY, while the Company's operating expenses increased by 33% YoY to PKR 16mln (FY20: PKR 12mln). The impact of increase in cost of goods sold and operating expenses was overshadowed by 39% increase in revenue and consequently, gross profit margin improved to 7.5% (FY20: 5.3%) and operating profit margin to 6.4% (FY20: 4.3%). In 1HFY22, the margins of the Company improved; gross margin 10.0% and operating margin 8.8%. Net profit of the Company also improved during 1HFY22 to PKR 78mln (1HFY21: PKR 26mln).

Sustainability In line with improving business environment, the Company is planning to start a BMR, which will add 8,000 Spindles to existing capacity. The total cost of CAPEX is estimated to be PKR 225mln, which will entirely be funded from equity. BMR is expected to bring in efficiency gains, lowering cost per spindle and will consequently improve margins.

Financial Risk

Working Capital During FY21, the Company's working capital requirement has deteriorated which is evident from a decrease in net working capital days to 20days (FY20: 23days) because of inventory days (FY21: 26days, FY20: 35days). On the other hand, the Company's room to borrow displayed improvement and stood at 37% (FY20: 12%) as its trade assets stood at PKR 214mln and short-term borrowings at PKR 30mln. While the short-term trade leverage witnessed improved and stood at 36.5% (FY20: 12.1%).

Coverages The Company's cash flows from operations – a factor of its increase in profitability – witnessed an increase and clocked in at PKR 87mln (FY20: PKR 31mln), consequently, interest coverage ratio, increased to 7.3x (FY20: 2.4x), and debt coverage ratio that also decreased to 1.5x (FY20: 1.2x).

Capitalization During FY21, the Company's leverage showed a slight increase to 23.3% (FY19: 22.0%) due to the increase in long-term debt, which came up to PKR 94mln (FY19: 58mln). Short-term borrowings make up 18% of the total borrowings, decreased to PKR 30mln (FY20: 55mln) but overall borrowings of the Company experienced an upward trend and closed at PKR 170mln at the end of FY21 (FY20: 170mln). In 1HFY22, Company's leveraging slightly increased and clocked at 36% due to the increase in borrowing and were recorded at PKR 365mln.

PKR mln



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Allawasaya Spinning Mills (Pvt.) Limited Jun-21 Jun-20 Jun-19 12M 12M 12M Spinning A BALANCE SHEET 1 Non-Current Assets 667 667 553 570 2 Investments 48 24 32 18 3 Related Party Exposure 4 Current Assets 699 300 276 220 a Inventories 249 103 106 115 b Trade Receivables 213 72 86 61 991 5 Total Assets 1,414 861 808 6 Current Liabilities 328 191 207 186 a Trade Payables 146 82 123 100 7 Borrowings 365 170 127 122 8 Related Party Exposure 101 70 70 78 9 Non-Current Liabilities 76 10 Net Assets 449 323 651 560 11 Shareholders' Equity 560 449 323 651 B INCOME STATEMENT 1 Sales 1,455 1,493 1,160 1,376 a Cost of Good Sold (1,310)(1,382)(1,098)(1,311) 2 Gross Profit 146 111 62 64 a Operating Expenses (17) (16)(12) (11) 3 Operating Profit 129 96 49 53 a Non Operating Income or (Expense) 11 0 (8) (1) 4 Profit or (Loss) before Interest and Tax 50 120 107 51 a Total Finance Cost (10)(10)(14)(13)(32)b Taxation (15)(19)(19)6 Net Income Or (Loss) 78 82 17 19 C CASH FLOW STATEMENT 49 a Free Cash Flows from Operations (FCFO) 100 87 31 b Net Cash from Operating Activities before Working Capital Changes 97 81 11 41 17 c Changes in Working Capital (8) (16)(12)1 Net Cash provided by Operating Activities 27 89 65 28 Net Cash (Used in) or Available From Investing Activities (133)(8) (67)(16)Net Cash (Used in) or Available From Financing Activities 36 71 13 (25)4 Net Cash generated or (Used) during the period (5) D RATIO ANALYSIS 1 Performance a Sales Growth (for the period) 38.7% 95.0% 28.7% -15.7% b Gross Profit Margin 10.0% 7.5% 5.3% 4.7% c Net Profit Margin 5.4% 5.5% 1.5% 1.4% d Cash Conversion Efficiency (FCFO adjusted for Working Capital/Sales) 6.3% 4.7% 2.7% 4.1% e Return on Equity [Net Profit Margin * Asset Turnover * (Total Assets/Shareholders' Equity)] 16.3% 25.9% 4.5% 8.8% 2 Working Capital Management a Gross Working Capital (Average Days) 40 45 58 42 b Net Working Capital (Average Days) 26 20 23 18 c Current Ratio (Current Assets / Current Liabilities) 2.1 1.3 1.2 1.6 3 Coverages a EBITDA / Finance Cost 10.0 9.5 5.5 5.1 b FCFO/Finance Cost+CMLTB+Excess STB 1.5 1.2 1.5 3.3 $c\ \ Debt\ Payback\ (Total\ Borrowings + Excess\ STB) / (FCFO\text{-}Finance\ Cost)$ 1.9 2.4 0.6 4.0 4 Capital Structure a Total Borrowings / (Total Borrowings+Shareholders' Equity) 35.9% 23.3% 22.0% 27.4% 122.4 267.6 b Interest or Markup Payable (Days) 56.9 40.1 10.7% 8.1% 9.9% c Entity Average Borrowing Rate 8.4%



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 pay financial commitments is considered strong. This capacity may, nevertheless, 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 contingent upon a sustained, favorable business and economic environment.		
В-			
CCC	View historial and the Colombia and the		
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

- a) Basel III Compliant Debt Instrument Rating
- b) Debt Instrument Rating
- c) Sukuk Rating

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