

Rating Update

April 22, 2025 | Mumbai

Mos Utility Limited

Update as on April 22, 2025

This update is provided in continuation of the rating rational below.

The key rating sensitivity factors for the rating include:

Upward Factors:

- Steady increase in revenue and stable operating margin above 3% resulting in higher cash accrual.
- Sustenance of financial risk profile and efficient working capital management

Downward Factors:

- Decline in revenue or operating margin resulting in net cash accrual below Rs 6 crore
- Stretched working capital cycle weakening the financial risk profile and liquidity

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Crisil Ratings also identifies information availability risk as a key credit factor in the rating assessment as outlined in its criteria 'Information Availability Risk in Credit Ratings'.

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Rating Rationale

May 24, 2024 | Mumbai

Mos Utility Limited

'CRISIL BB+/Stable' assigned to Corporate Credit Rating

Rating Action

Corporate Credit Rating

CRISIL BB+/Stable (Assigned)

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1 crore = 10 million

Refer to Annexure for Details of Instruments & Bank Facilities

Detailed Rationale

CRISIL Ratings has assigned its 'CRISIL BB+/Stable' corporate credit rating to Mos Utility Limited (MOS).

The rating reflects the extensive experience of the promoters in the diversified support services business, the varied service offerings of the company and its comfortable financial risk profile. These strengths are partially offset by modest scale of operations and volatility in operating margin.

Analytical Approach

CRISIL Ratings has combined the business and financial risk profiles of MOS and its subsidiaries, MOS Logconnect Pvt Ltd, JC Ventures Pvt Ltd and Indicore Infocomm Pvt Ltd. The subsidiaries are strategically important to MOS because of strong operational linkages.

Please refer Annexure - List of Entities Consolidated, which captures the list of entities considered and their analytical treatment of consolidation..

Key Rating Drivers & Detailed Description

Strengths:

Extensive experience of the promoters and diversified service offerings

The promoters have experience of 14 years in the diversified support services business, which has enabled an understanding of market dynamics and diversification of operations. The company has established presence in the domestic market supported by ability to provide over 24 digital services through franchises and agents all across India. It benefits from tie-ups with banks and a wide network of agents. Multiple product offerings have enabled the company to cater to larger clients and expand its scale of operations. On a consolidated basis, revenue should increase above Rs 500 crore in fiscal 2025 from Rs 173 crore (estimated) in fiscal 2024 driven by incremental revenue from recent acquisitions.

Comfortable financial risk profile

The financial risk profile is supported by an estimated networth of Rs 35 crore as on March 31, 2024 (Rs 21 crore a year earlier). Capital structure was comfortable, as reflected in estimated gearing and total outside liabilities to adjusted networth ratio of 0.09 time and 0.58 time, respectively, as on March 31, 2024 (0.36 time and 1.21 times, respectively, a year earlier). Debt protection metrics were adequate, as indicated by interest coverage and net cash accrual to repayment obligation ratios of 19.34 times and 1.86 times, respectively, in fiscal 2024 (5.16 times and 9.40 times, respectively, in fiscal 2023). In the absence of large, debt-funded capital expenditure, the financial risk profile will remain healthy over the medium term.

Weaknesses:

Volatility in operating margin

The operating margin was range-bound at 2-7% over the three fiscal periods through 2024 owing to diversified business segments. While the operating margin improved in fiscals 2022 and 2023 owing to the high-margin entertainment segment, recent acquisition of low-margin mobile utility business is expected to moderate the operating margin to 3% over the medium term. Sustenance of operating margin with steady absorption of fixed costs amid increasing revenue remains a key monitorable.

Exposure to intense competition

The banking and mobile utility segment, which contributes to the majority of sales, is intensely competitive, limiting the pricing flexibility and scalability of MOS.

Liquidity: Stretched

Cash accrual expected at Rs 9-14 crore each year over the medium term will comfortably cover negligible debt obligation of Rs 7-70 lakh each year. The company does not have any fund-based working capital limit and meets its working capital requirement through internal cash accrual. Cash and equivalent and current ratio stood at Rs 2.5 crore and 1.11 times, respectively, as on March 31, 2023.

Outlook: Stable

MOS will continue to benefit from the extensive experience of its promoters and its healthy financial risk profile.

Rating Sensitivity Factors

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Key Financial Indicators

As on/for the period ended March 31	Unit	2023	2022
Operating income	Rs.Crore	106.14	77.34
Reported profit after tax (PAT)	Rs.Crore	5.68	2.57
PAT margin	%	5.35	3.33
Adjusted debt/adjusted networth	Times	0.36	3.48
Interest coverage	Times	5.16	1.66

Any other information: Not Applicable

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Annexure - Details of Instruments

ISIN	Name of instrument	Date of allotment	Coupon rate	Maturity date	Issue size (Rs.Crore)	Complexity levels	Rating assigned with outlook
NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Annexure - List of Entities Consolidated

Names of entities consolidated	Extent of consolidation	Rationale for consolidation			
MOS Utility Ltd	Full				
MOS Logconnect Pvt Ltd	Full	Business and financial linkages			
JC Ventures Pvt Ltd	Full	business and ilitaticial lilikages			
Indicore Infocomm Pvt Ltd	Full				

Annexure - Rating History for last 3 Years

		Curren	t	2024	(History)	2	023	2	022	2	021	Start of 2021
Instrument	Туре	Outstanding Amount	Rating	Date	Rating	Date	Rating	Date	Rating	Date	Rating	Rating
Corporate Credit Rating	LT	0.0	CRISIL BB+/Stable									

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