

# **Rating Update**

November 29, 2021 | Mumbai

# Cosco India Limited

#### Update as on November 29, 2021

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

The key rating sensitivity factors for the rating include:

#### **Upward scenario**

- Revenue growth of 20% and improvement in operating margin, leading to higher-than-expected cash accrual
- Significant improvement in the working capital cycle

#### **Downward scenario**

- Steep decline in profitability
- Further sizeable stretch in the working capital cycle

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# **Rating Rationale**

September 30, 2020 | Mumbai

# Cosco India Limited

Rating Reaffirmed

# **Rating Action**

Total Bank Loan Facilities Rated	Rs.34 Crore	
Long Term Rating	CRISIL BBB/Stable (Reaffirmed)	

<sup>1</sup> crore = 10 million

Refer to annexure for Details of Instruments & Bank Facilities

## **Detailed Rationale**

CRISIL has reaffirmed its 'CRISIL BBB/Stable' rating on the long-term bank facilities of Cosco India Ltd (Cosco).

The rating continues to reflect Cosco's brand name and strong market position, comfortable financial risk profile, and diversified product range. These strengths are partially offset by the exposure to intense competition and large working capital requirement.

#### **Analytical Approach**

Of the total unsecured loans (Rs 27.79 crore as on March 31, 2020) extended by the promoter, Rs 14 crore has been treated as neither debt nor equity as these funds are expected to remain in the business.

## **Key Rating Drivers & Detailed Description**

#### Strengths:

#### \* Established brand name and strong market position

Longstanding presence in the industry has helped Cosco establish its brand name, and build a pan-India presence in the sports goods and fitness equipment business.

## \* Comfortable financial risk profile

Financial risk profile is likely to remain moderate. Networth was Rs 39.14 crore as on March 31, 2020, with gearing low at 0.7 time. Debt protection metrics were average, with interest coverage and net cash accrual to total debt ratios of 1.84 times and 0.12 time, respectively in fiscal 2020.

#### \* Diversified product profile

Cosco manufactures sports goods such as football, tennis ball, basketball, and volleyball, and trades in treadmills, shoes, and equipment related to cricket and fitness. Having a diverse range of products lowers the dependence on a single segment for revenue and profit generation.

#### Weaknesses:

#### \* Exposure to intense competition

Although revenue was moderate at Rs 133.8 crore in fiscal 2020, intense competition from large regional players and Chinese products may continue to constrain scalability, pricing power and profitability.

## \* Large working capital requirement

The working capital cycle may remain stretched over the medium term and hence will be closely monitored. Gross current assets were sizeable at 243 days as on March 31, 2020, driven by large inventory of 153 days, given the diverse range of products.



#### **Liquidity Adequate**

Liquidity should continue to be adequate. In the absence of any yearly debt obligation, the entire cash accrual 'projected at Rs 2.8 crore and Rs 4.3 crore in fiscals 2021 and 2022, respectively 'can aid financial flexibility. Bank limit utilisation was moderately low and averaged 42% during the 12 months through April 2020. Current ratio was robust at 2.91 times as on March 31, 2020.

#### **Outlook: Stable**

Cosco should continue to benefit from its established brand name and the extensive experience of the promoter.

## **Rating Sensitivity factors**

## **Upward Factors**

- \* Revenue growth of 20% and improvement in operating margin, leading to higher-than-expected cash accrual
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#### **Key Financial Indicators**

Particulars	Unit	Fiscal 2020	Fiscal 2019
Revenue	Rs crore	134.36	132.74
Profit after tax (PAT)	Rs crore	1.81	3.02
PAT margin	%	1.3	2.3
Adjusted debt/adjusted networth	Times	0.7	0.8
Interest coverage	Times	1.8	2.1

Any other information: Not applicable

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# Annexure - Details of Instrument(s)

ISIN	Name of instrument	Date of allotment	Coupon rate (%)	Maturity date	Issue size (Rs Cr)	Complexity level	Rating assigned with outlook
NA	Cash Credit	NA	NA	NA	29.75	NA	CRISIL BBB/Stable
NA	Proposed Fund Based Bank Limits	NA	NA	NA	4.25	NA	CRISIL BBB/Stable

**Annexure - Rating History for last 3 Years** 

		Current		2020 (	History)	20	19	20	18	20	)17	Start of 2017
Instrument	Туре	Outstanding Amount	Rating	Date	Rating	Date	Rating	Date	Rating	Date	Rating	Rating
Fund-based Bank Facilities	LT/S T	34.00	CRISIL BBB/Stab le			26-07-19	CRISIL BBB/Stab le	03-07-18	CRISIL BBB/Stab le			CRISIL BBB/Stab le
								29-01-18	CRISIL BBB/Stab le			

All amounts are in Rs.Cr.

### Annexure - Details of various bank facilities

Current facilities			Previous facilities		
Facility	Amount (Rs.Crore)	Rating	Facility	Amount (Rs.Crore)	Rating
Cash Credit	29.75	CRISIL BBB/Stable	Cash Credit	29.75	CRISIL BBB/Stable
Proposed Fund-Based Bank Limits	4.25	CRISIL BBB/Stable	Proposed Fund-Based Bank Limits	4.25	CRISIL BBB/Stable
Total	34		Total	34	

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