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RATING REPORT

Cyan Limited

REPORT DATE:

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RATING DETAILS					
	Latest	Latest Rating		Previous Rating	
	Long-	Short-	Long-	Short-	
Rating Category	term	term	term	term	
Entity	А	A-1	A+	A-1	
Rating Outlook	Sta	Stable		Stable	
Rating Date	Oct (Oct 6, '15		May 16, '14	

COMPANY INFORMATION	
Incorporated in 1960	External auditors: M/s A.F. Ferguson & Co., Chartered Accountants
Public Listed Company	Chairperson of the Board: Mrs. Kulsum Dawood
Key Shareholders (with stake 5% or more):	Chief Executive Officer: Mr. Sulaiman S. Mehdi
Dawood Corporation (Pvt.) Limited – 62.0%	
General Public – 31.6%	

APPLICABLE METHODOLOGY(IES)

Non-Bank Financial Companies (March 2005): <u>http://www.jcrvis.com.pk/Images/NBFC.pdf</u>

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OVERVIEW OF THE INSTITUTION

RATING RATIONALE

CL is public listed company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1913 (now Companies Ordinance, 1984) in 1960. Prior to being restructured as an investment company in 2011, CL operated as an insurance company by the name of Central Insurance Company Limited (CICL). Dawood Corporation (Pvt.) Limited is the majority shareholder with a stake of 62%. With a dividend payout of Rs. 3.9b for FY14, significantly higher than the profit of Rs. 898.8m for the year, the equity base of Cyan Limited (CL) has reduced to Rs. 2.1b by end-1QFY15 (FY14: Rs. 4.6b, FY13: Rs. 5.3b). Earnings level is also expected to decline, going forward, on account of a reduced resource base, even if the stock market remains buoyant and the company is able to maintain its performance track record.

CL features strong ownership profile, with shareholding vested with Dawood Hercules Group, a prominent industrial conglomerate having presence across diversified sectors. On a standalone basis, ratings draw comfort from sound liquidity profile of the institution. Given higher focus on capital market operations, with the maximum limit for equities revised upwards to 100%, ability to assume market risk has increased over time.

In addition to managing an investment portfolio of marketable securities, the company's business plan also envisages investments in private equity deals. Investment horizon for these long-term private equity deals will vary between 3 to 5 years from now onwards. The company also envisages participation in book building/IPO of companies.

For investment purposes, a structured investment process exist with stocks selected on the basis of input from research department except those acquired for short term trading. To strengthen the research function, Mr. Shahab Farooq was inducted as Head of Research. Mr. Shahab carries extensive experience of the capital markets and has worked at prominent investment houses of the country. The company may also consider developing an independent risk management function to strengthen the control infrastructure.

Investment portfolio mix has featured variation over time, with significant exposure in equities at end FY14, a sizeable portion of which was off-loaded during 1QFY15 as a result of final dividend payout for FY14. The equities portfolio carried at end 1QFY15 primarily comprises related party holdings and features significant concentration with as much as 41% deployed in single scrip. Since re-structuring, the company has generated healthy return on its investments.

With the completion of term of the existing Board, a new Board was elected during FY14. Moreover, there was a change at the helm of the institution. Mr. Sulaiman S. Mehdi was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer of CL; prior to this, Mr. Mehdi was serving as Chief Operating Officer (COO) at the company. He possesses more than 15 years of experience at various financial institutions. The company benefits from the presence of seasoned professionals on its Board carrying diversified business acumen. Moreover, senior management comprises resources with extensive capital market experience.

An integrated ERP system is implemented at CL to support the investment process with a well defined disaster recovery and business continuity plan. CL has outsourced its Internal Audit (IA) function to M/s Anjum Asim Shahid Rahman, Chartered Accountants.

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Cyan Limited			Appendix I	
FINANCIAL SUMMARY		(amounts in PKR millions)		
BALANCE SHEET	DEC 31, 2014	DEC 31, 2013	DEC 31, 2012	
Cash and Bank Balances	21.8	17.8	13.5	
Total Investments	4,780.4	5,383.3	4,533.9	
Total Assets	4,886.5	5,507.5	4,638.8	
Tier-1 Equity	4,251.1	5,113.1	4,407.2	
Net Worth	4,590.5	5,311.3	4,463.8	
INCOME STATEMENT	DEC 31, 2014	DEC 31, 2013	DEC 31, 2012	
Revenue from Operations	1,227.5	1,457.1	1,735.6	
Operating Expenses	200.2	244.1	231.5	
Profit Before Tax	1,027.3	1,213.0	1,504.1	
Profit After Tax	898.8	1,176.0	1,428.2	
RATIO ANALYSIS	DEC 31, 2014	DEC 31, 2013	DEC 31, 2012	
Average Return on Equity Portfolio (%)	30.1	46.2	53.9	
Dividend Yield (%)	5.4	6.4	9.9	
Capital Gains Yield (%)	24.7	39.8	44.0	
Return on Mutual Funds Portfolio (%)	8.2	8.7	11.7	
Efficiency (%)	22.9	35.2	14.9	
ROAA (%)	17.3	23.2	36.4	
ROAE (%)	18.2	24.1	37.5	
Liquid Assets to Total Liabilities (%)	11.9	22.6	22.2	

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ISSUE/ISSUER RATING SCALE & DEFINITIONS

Appendix II

Medium to Long-Term

AAA

Highest credit quality; the risk factors are negligible, being only slightly more than for risk-free Government of Pakistan's debt.

AA+, AA, AA-

High credit quality; Protection factors are strong. Risk is modest but may vary slightly from time to time because of economic conditions.

A+, A, A-

Good credit quality; Protection factors are adequate. Risk factors may vary with possible changes in the economy.

BBB+, **BBB**, **BBB-**

Adequate credit quality; Protection factors are reasonable and sufficient. Risk factors are considered variable if changes occur in the economy.

88+, BB, BB-

Obligations deemed likely to be met. Protection factors are capable of weakening if changes occur in the economy. Overall quality may move up or down frequently within this category.

B+, B, B-

Obligations deemed less likely to be met. Protection factors are capable of fluctuating widely if changes occur in the economy. Overall quality may move up or down frequently within this category or into higher or lower rating grade.

CCC

Considerable uncertainty exists towards meeting the obligations. Protection factors are scarce and risk may be substantial.

CC A high default risk C A very high default risk

D Defaulted obligations

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(SO) Rating: A suffix (SO) is added to the ratings of 'structured' securities where the servicing of debt and related obligations is backed by some sort of financial assets and/or credit support from a third party to the transaction. The suffix (SO), abbreviated for 'structured obligation', denotes that the rating has been achieved on grounds of the structure backing the transaction that enhanced the credit quality of the securities

Short-Term

A-1+

Highest certainty of timely payment; Short-term liquidity, including internal operating factors and /or access to alternative sources of funds, is outstanding and safety is just below risk free Government of Pakistan's short-term obligations.

A-1

High certainty of timely payment; Liquidity factors are excellent and supported by good fundamental protection factors. Risk factors are minor.

A-2

Good certainty of timely payment. Liquidity factors and company fundamentals are sound. Access to capital markets is good. Risk factors are small.

A-3

Satisfactory liquidity and other protection factors qualify entities / issues as to investment grade. Risk factors are larger and subject to more variation. Nevertheless, timely payment is expected.

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Speculative investment characteristics; Liquidity may not be sufficient to ensure timely payment of obligations.

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Capacity for timely payment of obligations is doubtful.

and not on the basis of the credit quality of the issuing entity alone.

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Name of Rated Entity	Cyan Limited				
Sector	Non-Bank Fina	ncial Companies			
Type of Relationship	Solicited	· · · ·			
Purpose of Rating	Entity Rating				
Rating History	Rating Date	Medium to Long Term	Short Term	Rating Outlook	Rating Action
	RATING TYPE: ENTITY				
	10/6/2015	А	Stable	A-1	Downgrade
	5/16/2014	A+	Stable	A-1	Initial
Instrument Structure	N/A				
Statement by the Rating Team	JCR-VIS, the analysts involved in the rating process and members of its rating committee do not have any conflict of interest relating to the credit rating(s) mentioned herein. This rating is an opinion on credit quality only and is not a recommendation to buy or sell any securities.				
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