# **RATING REPORT**

# Sunrays Textile Mills Limited

# **REPORT DATE:**

October 25, 2024

#### **RATING ANALYST:**

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RATING DETAILS						
	Latest Ratings		Previous Ratings			
Rating Category	Long-term	Short-term	Long-term	Short-term		
Entity	A-	A-1	A-	A-1		
Rating Date	October 25, 2024		September 28, 2023			
Rating Action	Reaffirmed		Reaffirmed			
Rating Outlook/Watch	Stable		Stable			

COMPANY INFORMATION				
Incorporated in 1987	External auditors: M/s Yousuf Adil, Chartered			
Public Limited Company	Accountants CEO: Mr. Kashif Riaz			
Key Shareholders:				
Mr. Kashif Riaz- 20.65%				
Ms. Fadia Kashif- 11.66% Mr. Shahzad Ahmad -9.40%Mr. Irfan Ahmad-				
8.51%				

# APPLICABLE METHODOLOGY(IES)

Applicable Rating Criteria: Corporates

https://docs.vis.com.pk/docs/CorporateMethodology.pdf

## APPLICABLE RATING SCALE(S)

VIS Issue/Issuer Rating Scale:

https://docs.vis.com.pk/docs/VISRatingScales.pdf

# Sunrays Textile Mills Limited

# OVERVIEW OF THE INSTITUTION

#### RATING RATIONALE

Sunrays Textile
Mills Limited was
incorporated in Pakistan
on August 27, 1987, as
a public limited
company. The principal
activity of the Company
is manufacturing and
sale of yarn. The
manufacturing facilities
of the Company are
located in Dera Ghazi
Khan, Punjab.

## Company Profile

Sunrays Textile Mills Limited (SUTM' or 'the Company') is a part of the Indus Group of Companies which is a sizeable player in the country's textile business. Within the textile sector, Indus Group has over five decades of experience and operates through five entities. The group is primarily engaged in the business of cotton ginning, yarn spinning, and home textiles (primarily towel business). Furthermore, the group also has a presence in the power sector through exposure in wind power project of 50MW by the name of Indus Wind Energy Limited.

Principal activities of SUTM include trade, manufacture and sale of yarn. The head office of the Company is located in Karachi with the manufacturing facility located at Khanpur Shumali khewat no. 359, District Muzaffargarh, Dera Ghazi Khan Division, Punjab.

#### **Operations & Capacity Utilization**

Production Capacity and Utilization	FY22A	FY23A	FY24A
Number of Spindles Installed	34,896.00	34,896.00	34,896.00
Number of Spindles Worked	34,802.00	33,882.00	34,550.00
Number of Rooters Installed	-	-	6,000
Number of Rooters Worked	-	-	5,355
Installed Capacity - yarn Mln lbs. (Avg. 20 Count)	11.92	11.92	21.08
Actual Production - yarn Mln lbs. (Avg. 20 Count)	11.43	9.98	18.41
Utilization (%)	95.92%	83.75%	87.33%

In FY24, a marginal recovery in overall capacity utilization was observed. Despite the expansion in total capacity, the company achieved a higher utilization rate compared to the previous year. Consequently, actual production also registered an increase during the period. The Company added a new plant with ten new rotor machines starting operations in August 2023, resulting in an addition of 6,000 new rooters installed out of which 5,355 were worked during the year.

#### **Kev Rating Drivers**

Business risk profile characterized by challenging local and global economic and geopolitical conditions, and intense competition on a global level as an export-oriented industry.

Assigned ratings incorporate the medium to high business risk profile of the textile sector in Pakistan, marked by high exposure to economic cyclicality and intense competition. The sector's performance is influenced by broader economic conditions, rendering it susceptible to demand fluctuations driven by economic factors. Furthermore, as a substantial contributor to total exports, the textile industry faces exposure to global economic cyclicality, geopolitical challenges, and liquidity constraints due to government delays in sales tax refunds.

Moreover, the industry is also sensitive to supply-side risks, including local cotton crop production which impacts margins, and reliance on imported raw materials, exposing the sector to significant exchange rate risk and government import restrictions.

Despite these challenges, textile companies have demonstrated resilience by maintaining operational efficiency, consistent product quality, strategic raw material procurement, and better supply chain control, achieving economies of scale and managing risks associated with the volatile business environment.

# Stable topline despite economic challenges. Margins remain strained by escalating energy costs during the period.

In FY24, the Company reported sales of PKR 20,148 million (FY23: PKR 9,654 million), reflecting an increase of 108.70% year-over-year. This growth was primarily supported by a 126% rise in exports to PKR 13,869 million (FY23: PKR 6,135 million), with indirect exports showing a significant increase of 238%, while direct exports registered a comparatively lower rise of 60%. Gross local sales also demonstrated an improvement of 80% during the same period.

Gross margins stood at 7.96% (FY23: 6.66%), reflecting limited improvement despite higher sales and increased pricing, as input costs continued to rise. The increase in input costs was attributable to inflationary pressures and higher gas and power tariffs. While some efficiencies were realized from the installation of new machinery.

#### Manageable capitalization profile

The company's capitalization profile has historically remained conservative. However, in recent years, gearing and leverage ratios have increased, primarily due to ongoing BMR initiatives, capacity expansion projects, and higher working capital requirements driven by lower funds from operations, following a decline in operational profitability. In FY24, the gearing ratio increased to 0.78x (FY23: 0.49x, FY22: 0.19x), with leverage rising to 1.08x (FY23: 0.64x, FY22: 0.30x), largely as a result of higher short-term debt utilization. Despite these increases, the company's capitalization metrics remain comparatively conservative relative to industry peers.

Constrained profitability margins together with an escalation of finance costs have squeezed the coverage profile of the Company, albeit remaining strong. Ratings are further supported by a healthy liquidity profile.

During FY24, the Company's Funds from Operations (FFO) continued to face pressure due to strained operational profitability and an increased financial burden arising from higher borrowings under a high-interest rate environment. Consequently, the debt service coverage ratio (DSCR) stood at 1.55x, lower than the historical average of 7.91x but showed an improvement compared to 1.41x in the prior year. The coverage profile remains consistent with the assigned ratings.

The current ratio of the Company decreased to 1.88x in FY24 (FY23: 3.80x). Despite the reduction, the current ratio also remains consistent with the assigned ratings.



# Sunrays Textile Mills Limited

Appendix I

Financial Summary			
Balance Sheet (PKR Millions)	FY22A	FY23A	FY24A
Property, plant and equipment	4,224.02	7,336.40	7,583.55
Long-term Investments	190.85	190.85	190.85
Stock-in-trade	2,188.60	2,251.85	2,395.39
Trade debts	765.42	1,181.30	3,068.46
Short-term Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash & Bank Balances	96.65	50.40	83.99
Other Assets	2,455.27	1,390.62	2,093.13
Total Assets	9,920.81	12,401.42	15,415.37
Creditors	175.61	150.63	492.63
Long-term Debt (incl. current portion)	1,119.39	2,918.11	2,931.65
Short-Term Borrowings	0.00	191.10	2,285.39
Total Debt	1,119.39	3,109.21	5,217.04
Other Liabilities	522.97	792.32	1,502.27
Total Liabilities	1,817.97	4,052.16	7,211.94
Paid up Capital	207.00	207.00	207.00
Revenue Reserve	5,760.42	6,155.30	6,455.84
Other Equity (excl. Revaluation Surplus)	3.60	3.60	3.60
Equity (excl. Revaluation Surplus)	5,971.02	6,365.90	6,666.44
Income Statement (PKR Millions)	FY22A	FY23A	FY24A
Net Sales	9,757.68	9,459.22	20,148.88
Gross Profit	2,600.51	629.84	1,604.62
Operating Profit	2,128.28	540.02	1,505.99
Finance Costs	65.91	124.13	1,023.05
Profit Before Tax	2,062.37	415.89	482.94
Profit After Tax	1,909.81	287.82	177.19
Ratio Analysis	FY22A	FY23A	FY24A
Gross Margin (%)	26.65%	6.66%	7.96%
Operating Margin (%)	21.81%	5.71%	7.47%
Net Margin (%)	19.57%	3.04%	0.88%
Funds from Operation (FFO) (PKR Millions)	2,128.67	307.74	794.48
FFO to Total Debt* (%)	190.16%	9.90%	15.23%
FFO to Long Term Debt* (%)	190.16%	10.55%	27.10%
Gearing (x)	0.19	0.49	0.78
Leverage (x)	0.30	0.64	1.08
Debt Servicing Coverage Ratio* (x)	10.79	1.41	1.55
Current Ratio (x)	6.41	3.80	1.88
(Stock in trade + trade debts) / STD (x)	V	18.54	2.50
Return on Average Assets* (%)	24.04%	2.58%	1.27%
Return on Average Equity* (%)	37.78%	4.67%	2.72%
Cash Conversion Cycle (days)	130.76	126.85	81.42

<sup>\*</sup>Annualized, if required

A - Actual Accounts

P - Projected Accounts

M - Management Accounts

REGULATORY 1	DISCLOSURES				Appendix II	
Name of Rated Entity	Sunrays Textile Mills Limited					
Sector	Textiles					
Type of Relationship	Solicited					
Purpose of Rating	Entity Rating					
Rating History	Rating Date Media Long		Short Term	Rating Outlook	Rating Action	
		RAT	ING TYPE: EN	<u> TITY</u>		
	Oct-25-2024 A		A-1	Stable	Reaffirmed	
	Sep-28-2023 A		A-1	Stable	Reaffirmed	
	Aug-22-2022 A		A-1	Stable	Reaffirmed	
	June-08-2021 A	-	A-1	Stable	Maintained	
	Apr-22-2020 A	-	A-1	Rating Watch- Developing	Maintained	
	Dec-30-2019 A	-	A-1	Stable	Initial	
Instrument Structure	N/A					
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Due Diligence	Name		Desi	gnation	Date	
Meetings	Mr. Sheikh Shafqat Ma	sood	Dir	ector	10 Oct 2024	
Conducted	Mr. Yasir Anwar		Group Chief F	inancial Officer		