### **RATING REPORT**

# Nadeem Textile Mills Limited

#### **REPORT DATE:**

January 30, 2024

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KATING DETAILS							
Rating Category	Latest	Rating	Previous Rating				
	Long-term	Short-term	Long-term	Short-term			
Entity	A-	A-2	А-	A-2			
Rating Outlook	Stal	ble	Stable				
Rating Action	Reaffirmed		Reaffirmed				
Rating Date	January 30, 2024		December 21, 2022				

DATING DETAILS

COMPANY INFORMATION	
Incorporated on July 15, 1984	External auditors: M/s. Rahman Safaraz Rahim
	Iqbal Rafiq Chartered Accountants
Public Limited Company	Chairperson: Mrs. Naila Zahid
Key Shareholders (with stake 5% or more):	Chief Executive Officer: Mr. Zahid Mazhar
Mr. Hasan Bin Zahid (21.95%)	
Mr. Omer Bin Zahid (21.94%)	
Mr. Zahid Mazhar (19.49%)	
Mrs. Naila Zahid (11.84%)	
Mr. Sara Zahid (10.84%)	

### 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

#### Nadeem Textile Mills Limited

OVERVIEW OF THE INSTITUTION

### **RATING RATIONALE**

#### Nadeem Textile Mills Limited was

incorporated in Pakistan on July 15, 1984, as a public limited company and its shares are listed on Pakistan Stock Exchange (PSX). Principal activity of the Company is manufacture and sale of yarn.

#### Mrs. Naila Zahid has

been associated with the group since 1993. She is responsible for strategic planning and managing business activities of the company.

Mr. Zahid Mazhar has been associated with textile business

and the group since 1979. He holds bachelor's degree in commerce. He also serves as a Senior Vice Chairman of All Pakistan Textile Mills Association (APTMA) and the Director of Karachi Cotton Association (KCA).

#### Company Profile

Nadeem Textile Mills Limited ('NATM' or 'the Company') was incorporated in Pakistan on July 15, 1984, as a public limited company and its shares are listed on Pakistan Stock Exchange (PSX). Principal activity of the Company is manufacture and sale of yarn. NATM has a registered office in the Lakson Square Building No.3 on Sarward Shaheed Road, Karachi. It has two units of manufacturing facilities, one in S.I.T.E, Nooriabad, Karachi and the other in S.I.T.E, Kotri, district Jamshoro.

#### Nadeem Power Generation (Private) Limited Merger

With effect from July 01, 2022, Nadeem Power Generation (Private) Limited ('NPGL'), a related party, has been merged into the Company (including all its assets, liabilities and other rights and obligations which are now vested into the Company). The merged entity continues to be controlled by the same parties as those ultimately controlling NGPL and NATM before the merger, the amalgamation has been identified as a 'Common Control Transaction' in light of the guidance provided in the financial reporting standard 'Accounting for Common Control Transactions' as developed by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan and notified by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan (SECP) vide its S.R.O. 53(I)/2022 dated January 12, 2022. In accordance with the said standard, the Company has applied the 'Predecessor Method' of accounting and measured all the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed at their carrying amounts as reflected in the statement of financial position of NPGL as of June 30, 2022 (as included in its audited financial statements for the year then ended).

#### **Key Rating Drivers**

# Business risk profile constrained by cyclicality, and high competition in the sector.

The business risk profile of the spinning sector in Pakistan is characterized by high level of exposure to economic cyclicality and intense competition. This sector's performance is significantly influenced by the broader economic conditions in the country, making it inherently vulnerable to fluctuations in demand driven by economic factors.

In FY23, the spinning sector faced challenges due to various economic and environmental circumstances. These included damage to the cotton crop resulting from flooding in 1HFY23, escalating inflation, and diminishing foreign exchange reserves.

The spinning sector in Pakistan comprises  $\sim 407$  spinning mills, which include both composite units and spinning units. This industry exhibits a competitive market structure with a large number of players producing a relatively homogenous product.

During FY23, Pakistan's yarn production registered a substantial decline, primarily due to reduced availability of cotton, as a result of crop damage and import restrictions. The sector's profitability was constrained by factors such as higher production costs, increased raw material costs, and rising energy expenses, all of which constrained the sector's profit margin. The industry's performance is closely intertwined with the outlook of the cotton and textile industries, both of which were affected in FY23. Global economic slowdown and contractionary economic policies led to a decrease in demand for textile products and, consequently, cotton yarn.

While the global outlook for cotton production is expected to rebound, local challenges persist. These challenges include high interest rates, increasing energy costs, and increased inflationary pressures. These factors are likely to result in continued sluggish performance for the spinning sector in FY24.

## Topline and margin compression on account of volatility in economic environment.

In FY23, topline of the Company came under pressure, demonstrating a decline of  $\sim$ 23% to PKR 10.7 bln (FY22: PKR 13.8 bln). This decline is primarily attributed to the recessionary trend observed in the export and local markets which resulted in dampened volumetric performance of the entire textile sector. The decline in sales volumes along with increased raw material costs and high inflationary pressure resulted in a reduction in gross and operating margins in FY23. Moreover, the Company's merger with NPGL also contributed to the contraction in its margins. Gross and operating margins were reported at 4.8% (FY22: 16.8%) and 1.4% (FY22: 14.1%), respectively. However, the Company managed to recover its margins in 1QFY24 with reported gross and operating margins of 9.1% and 6.2%.

# Capitalization profile reported deterioration on account of equity erosion with higher short-term debt utilization and financing for BMR and other CAPEX.

In FY23, the net loss led to equity erosion, reducing it to PKR 2.6 bln (FY22: PKR 2.8 bln). The net loss impact of PKR 589 mln on equity was mitigated by converting a loan from the associated company (Nadeem International (Pvt) Limited) into a "Capital Contribution" in equity, totaling PKR 340 mln, effective December 2022. NATM and Nadeem International (Pvt) Limited mutually agreed that the interest-free loan could be repaid at the Company's discretion. At the same time the Company experienced a marginal uptick in the utilization of short-term and long-term facilities due to heightened working capital needs and funding requirements for ongoing BMR and other projects. Consequently, the gearing deteriorated to 1.2x (FY22: 0.8x), however, the leverage ratio remained mostly unchanged at 1.7x (FY22: 1.6x) on account of overall current liabilities remaining stable at PKR 3.7 bln (FY22: PKR 3.6 bln).

# Liquidity profile remains adequate. The Debt Service Coverage profile saw significant stress in FY23, however, managed to recover in 1QFY24.

The Company has continued to maintain an adequate liquidity profile throughout the years. The current ratio saw slight deterioration in FY23 to 1.2x (FY22: 1.4x) but remained stable in 1QFY24. The debt service coverage (DSCR) reported severe stress, dropping to 0.7x (FY22: 3.2x) in FY23 as funds from operations came under pressure from lower quantum of operating profits amid higher finance costs. However, the Company managed to recover its DSCR in 1QFY24 to 1.4x on account of improvement in quarterly operational performance.

#### Key Considerations for Future Ratings

Going forward, ratings will remain sensitive to the improvement in the profitability profile as well as maintenance of the capitalization, liquidity and coverage metrics commensurate with assigned ratings.

Appendix I

### Nadeem Textile Mills Limited

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY			(1	PKR Millions)
Balance Sheet	FY21	FY22	FY23	3MFY24
Property, plant and equipment	2,942.1	3,437.6	3,646.5	3,590.5
Stock in trade	1,041.1	1,875.0	2,131.1	1,393.1
Trade debts	1,678.8	2,641.9	1,661.9	2,557.2
Cash and bank balances	141.9	174.0	150.1	45.3
Total Assets	6,182.2	8,611.3	8,278.1	8,427.6
Trade and Other Payables	817.0	1,443.4	1,261.5	1,285.1
Long-term Debt (incl. current portion and lease liability)	474.3	544.1	1,060.0	1,031.7
Short-Term Borrowings	1,284.0	1,866.4	2,085.6	2,258.2
Total Debt	1,758.3	2,410.5	3,145.5	3,289.9
Total Liabilities	3,202.5	4,483.9	4,410.0	4,554.2
Paid-up Capital	215.1	215.1	212.7	212.7
Equity (incl. Revaluation Surplus)	2,979.7	4,127.4	3,868.1	3,873.5
Equity (excl. Revaluation Surplus)	1,674.1	2,849.1	2,608.0	2,617.3
Income Statement	FY21	FY22	FY23	3MFY24
Net Sales	9,420.6	13,775.9	10,666.7	3,485.7
Gross Profit	1,253.7	2,318.6	510.0	317.7
Operating Profit	1,060.1	1,946.9	153.5	216.4
Finance Costs	261.3	446.2	663.5	177.0
Profit Before Tax	758.2	1,384.9	-584.1	47.1
Profit After Tax	638.9	1,214.0	-589.0	5.3
Ratio Analysis	FY21	FY22	FY23	3MFY24
Gross Margin (%)	13.3%	16.8%	4.8%	9.1%
Net Margin (%)	6.8%	8.8%	-5.5%	0.2%
Funds from Operation (FFO)	823.2	1,517.8	-153.2	119.2
FFO to Total Debt* (%)	46.8%	63.0%	-4.9%	14.5%
FFO to Long Term Debt* (%)	173.6%	279.0%	-14.5%	46.2%
Gearing (x)	1.1	0.8	1.2	1.3
Leverage (x)	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.7
Debt Servicing Coverage Ratio* (x)	2.3	3.2	0.7	1.4
Current Ratio	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.2
(Stock in trade + trade debts) / STD (x)	2.1	2.4	1.8	1.7
Return on Average Assets* (%)	11.0%	16.4%	-7.0%	0.3%
Return on Average Equity* (%)	47.4%	53.7%	-21.6%	0.8%

\*Annualized, if required

### VIS Credit Rating Company Limited

REGULATORY DISCLOSU	URES				Appendix II	
Name of Rated Entity	Nadeem Textil	le Mills Limited				
Sector	Textiles					
Type of Relationship	Solicited					
Purpose of Rating	Entity Rating					
Rating History	Rating Date	Medium to Long Term	Short Term	Rating Outlool		
	RATING TYPE: ENTITY					
	30/01/24	A-	A-2	Stable	Reaffirmed	
	21/12/22	A-	A-2	Stable	Reaffirmed	
	18/11/21	A-	A-2	Stable	Upgrade	
	13/11/20	BBB+	A-2	Stable	Maintained	
	24/04/20	BBB+	A-2	Rating Watch Negativ	- Maintained	
	09/03/20	BBB+	A-2	Stable	Upgrade	
	18/12/18	BBB	A-2	Stable	Upgrade	
	12/03/18	BBB-	A-3	Stable	Initial	
Instrument Structure	N/A					
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Due Diligence Meetings	Name	D	Designation		Date	
	Mr. Omer bi Mr. Abdul Ar	n Zahid	Director Company Secr	etary	January 22, 2024	