BROKER MANAGEMENT RATING REPORT

Standard Capital Securities (Private) Limited

REPORT DATE:

12 May, 2023

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<u>APPLICABLE</u> <u>METHDOLOGY:</u>

Broker Management Ratings 2020: https://docs.vis.com.pk/docs/BMR2020 07.pdf

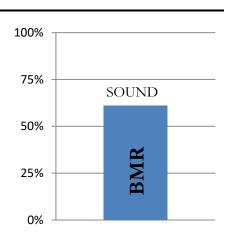
Rating Category	Latest Kating			
Broker Management Rating	BMR2			
Rating Rationale	The rating signifies strong client relationship whereas external control is sound. Compliance and risk management, financial management, HR and infrastructure, internal controls and regulatory requirements are considered adequate.			
Rating Date	12 May, 2023			

COMPANY INFORMATION					
Incorporated in 1998	External auditors: Kreston Hyder Bhimji & Co.				
Theorporated in 1998	Chartered Accountants				
Private Limited Company	CEO/Board Chairman: Mr. Naushad Chamdia				
Key Shareholders (with stake 5% or more):					
Mr. Naushad Chamdia ~69%					
Ms. Feroza Haroon ~8%					
Ms. Shazia Chamdia ~7%					
Mr. Navid Chamdia ~7%					
Mr. Haroon Chamdia ~7%					

Corporate Profile

Standard Capital Securities (Private) Limited was incorporated in 1998, providing full scale equity brokerage services to institutional as well as individual clients. Shareholding of the company is vested with members of the Chamdia family including the Chief Executive Mr. Naushad Chamdia. The company has three offices in Karachi and one in Sialkot. SCS provides both online and assisted trading services to its clients.

SCSPL is a private limited company holding Trading Rights Entitlement Certificate (TREC) granted by Pakistan Stock Exchange Limited (PSX), and is registered with SECP to provide Trading & Self-Clearing Services. External auditors of the company are Kreston Hyder Bhimji & Co Chartered Accountants. External auditors belong to category 'A' on the approved list of auditors published by the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP).

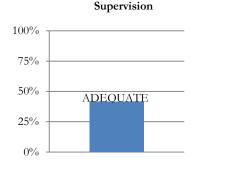


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Rating Factors Scores

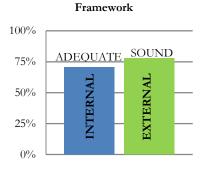
Internal & External Control

Regulatory Requirements &

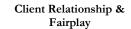


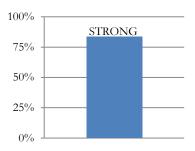
- At present, the Company's board comprising of two members only. Increasing board size through inclusion of certified and independent directors would improve overall governance framework. Additionally, it would facilitate in the formation of independently represented board committees.
- Acquisition of additional licenses would support in larger trading activity.

HR & Infrastructure

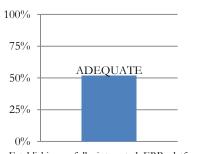


- Internal control framework is adequate. Further room for improvement exists in order to strengthen internal controls through enhancing the scope of all internal policies.
- Increasing frequency of reviewing and documenting internal control system and level of compliance by internal audit may be considered.
- External control framework is sound. However, to enhance it further, improving disclosure levels by adding the director's report and CEO's statement to the financial statements may be considered.





- Client relationship and fair-play continues to remain strong, customer service and facilitation tools are well-established and effectively assist customers through availability of ample research resources on market reviews, sector updates, and individual companies.
- Investor grievances may be further strengthened through greater visibility of the process on the website.



- Establishing a fully integrated ERP platform may improve overall infrastructure of the Company.
- Developing a separate, well-defined IT policy may be considered.
- Contingency measures are in place. However, those may be strengthened by having offsite data backups at a third party warehouse.
- Increasing disaster recovery exercises to more than once a year may further strengthen the business continuity framework.



- Having independent reporting of internal audit to the Board may be considered for enhancing transparency and overall risk management framework.
- Streamlining of credit limits may be considered.
- Developing a mechanism for reviewing and monitoring suspicious and non-compliant trading may be considered.

Financial Management 100% 75% ADEQUATE 50% 25%

During the year, the Company's earning profile witnessed deterioration on account of subdued market activity along with decline in trading volumes. Profitability was also impacted due to capital and unrealized losses on re-measurement of investments, the Company posted a negative bottom-line of Rs. 5.8m end-HFY23 (FY23 Rs. -119m, FY21 190m)

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- Decline in revenues and subsequent capital losses also deteriorated the Company's cost-toincome ratio.
- Liquidity profile is considered to be sound, liquid asset provide 1.31x coverage to total liabilities as of HFY23 (FY22 1.26x, FY21 1.30x)
- Market risk continues to be on the higher side, quantum of short term investments to equity amounted to 101% during FY22 (FY21 107%)
- Gearing indicator continued to remain manageable, however, leverage indicator was considered to be on the higher side at 1.8x during FY22 on account of increase in liabilities during the year.
- Going forward, augmentation in revenue streams in order to mitigate operational risk, improvement in cost to income ratio and capitalization indicators and maintenance of liquidity profile will remain important for the rating.

Appendix I

MANAGEMENT QUALITY SCALE & DEFINITIONS

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RATING SCALE & DEFINITIONS: BROKER MANAGEMENT RATING

BMR1A

Excellent regulatory compliance, control environment, and financial management; governance and risk management frameworks are extremely effective; HR, IT, and customer services are strongly proactive.

BMR1++, BMR1+, BMR1

Strong regulatory compliance, control environment, and financial management; governance and risk management frameworks are highly effective; HR, IT, and customer services are highly proactive.

BMR2++, BMR2+, BMR2

Sound regulatory compliance, control environment, and financial management; governance and risk Weak regulatory compliance and business practices management frameworks are effective; HR, IT, and customer services are proactive.

BMR3++, BMR3+, BMR3

Adequate regulatory compliance, control environment, and financial management; governance and risk management frameworks are satisfactory; HR, IT, and customer services are adequate.

BMR4++, BMR4+, BMR4

Inadequate regulatory compliance, control financial environment, and management; governance and risk management frameworks need improvements; HR, IT, and customer services are insufficient.

BMR5

Rating Outlooks:

The three outlooks 'Positive', 'Stable' and 'Negative' qualify the potential direction of the assigned rating(s). An outlook is not necessarily a precursor of a rating change. Refer to our 'Criteria for Rating Outlook' for details. www.vis.com.pk/images/criteria_outlook.pdf

REGULATORY D	Appendix II					
Name of Rated Entity	Standard Capital Securities (Private) Limited					
Sector	Brokerage					
Type of Relationship	Solicited					
Purpose of Rating	Broker Management Rating (BMR)					
Rating History	Rating Date	Rating	Rating Outlook	Rating Action		
	RATING TYPE: BMR					
	12/05/2023	BMR2	Stable	Reaffirmed		
	3/ 12/ 2021	BMR2	Stable	Initial		
Instrument Structure	N/A					
Statement by the	VIS, the analysts involved in the rating process and members of its rating committee do not					
Rating Team	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.					
Probability of Default	N/A					
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