

CAST PACKAGING FILMS (PRIVATE) LIMITED

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RATING DETAILS

RATINGS CATEGORY	Latest Rating	
	Long Term	Short Term
ENTITY	A-	A2
RATING OUTLOOK/ WATCH	Stable	
RATING ACTION	Initial	
RATING DATE	January 21, 2026	

Shareholding (5% or More)

International Packaging Films ~ 100%

Other Information

Incorporated in 2020

Private Limited Company

Chief Executive Officer: Naveed Godil

External Auditor: PWC A.F. Ferguson & Co.

Applicable Rating Methodology

VIS Entity Rating Criteria Methodology – Corporates Ratings

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

Rating Scale

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

Rating Rationale

The rating of Cast Packaging Films (Private) Limited ("CPAK" or "the Company") reflects its stable operating performance, strong capacity utilization, and sound financial risk profile. Ratings also incorporate its position as a wholly owned subsidiary of International Packaging Films Limited. Business risk is moderate, underpinned by steady demand for CPP films from FMCG, food, and pharmaceutical sectors, though exposed to imported raw material price volatility, energy costs, and competitive pressures. Financial risk is low, characterized by conservative leverage, minimal gearing, stable profitability and strong debt servicing coverage. Ratings remain underpinned on prudent financial management, operational stability, and continued parent support.

Company Profile

Cast Packaging Films (Private) Limited was incorporated in Pakistan on April 01, 2020, as a private limited company under the Companies Act, 2017. The registered office of the Company is located at Plot No. 40-L-1, P.E.C.H.S, Block-6, Karachi. CPAK commenced commercial operations on April 01, 2021.

The Company is principally engaged in the manufacturing and sale of flexible packaging materials, primarily Cast Polypropylene (CPP) films and allied products. CPP is a Polypropylene film produced through casting process and has good sealing performance, high elongation and mostly used for the inner layer of the composite packaging bag.

CPAK is a wholly owned subsidiary of International Packaging Films Limited (IPAK), representing 100% ownership as at June 30, 2025. CPAK operates a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility located at Manga Chowk, Roohinala, Raiwind By-Pass Road, Lahore. The plant is equipped with a five-layer co-extruded CPP production line imported in 2021 from SML Maschinengesellschaft, Austria, one of the leading global manufacturers of CPP film production lines. The facility has a nameplate capacity of 9,900 tons per annum with a working width of 3,300 mm. In addition, the Company has advanced metallizing and slitting units, enabling it to cater to a wide range of value-added flexible packaging applications.

Management and Governance

CPP is a 100% owned subsidiary of IPAK which has a shareholding distributed among five distinct business families, with the largest stake held by Mr. Naveed Godil. Other key shareholders include Mr. Mushtaq Ali Tejani, Mr. Aftab Zahoor Raja, Mr. Taimoor Iqbal, and Mr. Arsalan Pirani.

The Board of directors of CPP comprises of 2 members only, namely Mr. Naveed Godil and Mr. Mushtaq Ali Tejani. Mr. Naved Godil serves as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Company.

Business Risk

INDUSTRY

The packaging industry in Pakistan is assessed as high to medium risk, marked by strong demand drivers but significant cost-side vulnerabilities. Demand is primarily supported by the FMCG, food, beverage, and pharmaceutical sectors, which continue to grow in line with rising population, urbanization, and consumer preference for branded products. Flexible packaging, in particular, has gained traction due to cost efficiency, adaptability and suitability for modern retail and e-commerce channels.

The CPP films industry in Pakistan is a relatively small but growing segment of the broader flexible packaging market. Demand, estimated at around 35,000-40,000 tonnes, is primarily driven by the food, FMCG, confectionery, textile, and pharmaceutical sectors, where CPP films are used for heat-sealable, laminated, and specialty packaging applications. The industry benefits from structural growth in packaged food consumption, urbanization, and a gradual shift from traditional to flexible packaging solutions.

The local CPP market is characterized by limited domestic capacity of around 40,000 tonnes and a small number of established producers, namely Astro Films, Tripack and Macpac Films, resulting in reliance on imports for certain grades, particularly high-quality and specialty CPP films. This provides local manufacturers with import substitution opportunities; however, competition remains intense due to price-sensitive customers and availability of imported material, mainly from China and the Middle East. The industry is exposed to volatility in polypropylene (PP) resin prices, which are largely imported and linked to global oil prices, as well as rising energy costs.

OPERATIONAL UPDATE:

The Company has a nameplate capacity of 9,900 metric tonnes, of which 8,000 metric tonnes is available capacity. The plant became operational in 2021. Capacity utilization has remained high. Capacity utilization against available capacity during FY25 was recorded at ~86%.

Plant Capacity and Production	FY24	FY25
Production Capacity (Tons)	9,900	9,900
Actual Production (Tons)	6,500	6,885
Capacity Utilization	65.6%	69.5%

PROFITABILITY:

The Company has maintained stable turnover of around Rs 3-3.6B over the last three years. However, margins have remained volatile over the years reflecting the raw material price volatility. In FY25, gross margins were recorded at 15.8% which slid further to 14.8% in Q1FY26. Net margins of the business remain fairly strong averaging around 13%. Going forward, profitability profile is expected to remain rangebound.

Financial Risk

CAPITAL STRUCTURE

The business is relatively small, with total assets of Rs. 4.7 billion as of September 30, 2025, financed through Rs. 2.9 billion in equity and the balance through debt. As a result, leverage remains low at 0.63x, while gearing is minimal at 0.2x. The debt profile is predominantly short-term, supporting working capital requirements. Full profit retention continues to support equity growth.

DEBT COVERAGE & LIQUIDITY

Owing to sustained profitability and low debt levels, funds from operations (FFO) coverages remain strong, with the debt service coverage ratio (DSCR) maintained at a sound level of around 2.0x. The liquidity profile is adequate, supported by a current ratio of 1.2x and short-term borrowing coverage of approximately 2.0x. Furthermore, the cash conversion cycle has shown an improving trend over time, reflecting enhanced working capital management.

Financial Summary				Appendix I
Balance Sheet (PKR Millions)	FY23A	FY24A	FY25A	3MFY26M
Property, plant and equipment	1,326.96	1,249.76	1,173.87	1,154.06
Right-of-use Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intangible Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Long-term Investments	0.00	0.00	1,583.05	1,583.05
Stock-in-trade	604.50	686.18	412.84	586.33
Trade debts	879.55	529.89	785.88	816.91
Short-term Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash & Bank Balances	48.11	17.26	23.95	41.16
Other Assets	256.40	1,822.83	479.78	559.31
Total Assets	3,115.52	4,305.92	4,459.37	4,740.82
Creditors	176.57	348.64	422.78	930.73
Long-term Debt (incl. current portion)	27.47	25.76	23.45	23.56
Short-Term Borrowings	502.69	1,063.28	666.45	569.59
Total Debt	530.16	1,089.04	689.90	593.15
Other Liabilities	461.16	423.50	513.33	306.92
Total Liabilities	1,167.89	1,861.18	1,626.01	1,830.80
Paid up Capital	1,588.00	1,588.00	1,588.00	1,588.00
Revenue Reserve	359.63	856.73	1,245.37	1,322.03
Other Equity (excl. Revaluation Surplus)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sponsor Loan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Equity (excl. Revaluation Surplus)	1,947.63	2,444.73	2,833.37	2,910.03

Income Statement (PKR Millions)	FY23A	FY24A	FY25A	3MFY26M
Net Sales	3,277.39	3,185.51	3,664.55	895.55
Gross Profit	953.20	692.85	580.97	133.10
Operating Profit	722.33	641.44	597.06	98.08
Finance Costs	116.45	138.39	182.65	21.11
Profit Before Tax	605.88	503.05	414.41	76.97
Profit After Tax	418.63	497.45	388.69	76.66

Ratio Analysis	FY23A	FY24A	FY25A	3MFY26M
Gross Margin (%)	29.08%	21.75%	15.85%	14.86%
Operating Margin (%)	22.04%	20.14%	16.29%	10.95%
Net Margin (%)	12.77%	15.62%	10.61%	8.56%
Funds from Operation (FFO) (PKR Millions)	624.41	532.42	186.36	76.97
FFO to Total Debt* (%)	117.78%	48.89%	27.01%	51.91%
FFO to Long Term Debt* (%)	2273.06%	2066.85%	794.71%	1306.79%
Gearing (x)	0.27	0.45	0.24	0.20
Leverage (x)	0.60	0.76	0.57	0.63
Debt Servicing Coverage Ratio* (x)	6.23	4.45	2.09	3.42
Current Ratio (x)	1.90	0.97	1.24	1.27
(Stock in trade + trade debts) / STD (x)	2.98	1.17	1.88	2.56
Return on Average Assets* (%)	13.44%	13.41%	8.87%	6.67%
Return on Average Equity* (%)	21.49%	22.65%	14.73%	10.68%
Cash Conversion Cycle (days)	165.16	136.79	84.92	60.45

*Annualized, if required

A - Actual Accounts

P - Projected Accounts

M - Management Accounts

REGULATORY DISCLOSURES

Appendix II

Name of Rated Entity	Cast Packaging Films (Private) Limited				
Sector	Packaging				
Type of Relationship	Solicited				
Purpose of Rating	Entity Ratings				
Rating History	Rating Date	Medium to Long Term	Short Term	Rating Outlook	Rating Action
	RATING TYPE: ENTITY				
	1/21/2026	A-	A2	Stable	Initial
Instrument Structure	N/A				
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Due Diligence Meetings Conducted	Name		Designation	Date	
	Mr. Abdul Razzak Chini		Group Head Treasury	December 08, 2025	
	Mr. Syed Haris Salim		Chief Financial Officer		
	Mr. Waqas Younas		Group Manager Finance		
	Mr. Syed Mohammad Faisal Zafar		Senior Rating Executive		