

Corporate Credit Rating

New Update

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RATINGS		Long Term	Short Term
ICRs (Issuer Credit Rating Profile)	National ICR	A- (tr)	J2 (tr)
	National ICR Outlooks	Stable	Stable
	International FC ICR	BB	-
	International FC ICR Outlooks	Stable	-
ISRs (Issue Specific Rating Profile)	International LC ICR	BB	-
	International LC ICR Outlooks	Stable	-
	National ISR	-	-
Sovereign*	International FC ISR	-	-
	International LC ISR	-	-
	Foreign Currency	BB (Stable)	-
	Local Currency	BB (Stable)	-

* Assigned by JCR on May 10, 2024

HAT-SAN GEMİ İNŞAA BAKIM ONARIM DENİZ NAKLİYAT SANAYİ VE TİCARET ANONİM ŞİRKETİ

JCR Eurasia Rating has evaluated the "Hat-San Gemi İnşaa Bakım Onarım Deniz Nakliye Sanayi ve Ticaret Anonim Şirketi" in the investment category with high credit quality and affirmed the Long-Term National Issuer Credit Rating at 'A- (tr)' and revised the Short-Term National Issuer Credit Rating to 'J2 (tr)' from 'J1 (tr)' with 'Stable' outlooks. On the other hand, the Long Term International Foreign and Local Currency Issuer Credit Ratings and outlooks are determined as 'BB/Stable' in line with the sovereign ratings and outlooks of Republic of Türkiye.

Hat-San Gemi İnşaa Bakım Onarım Deniz Nakliye Sanayi ve Ticaret Anonim Şirketi (hereinafter referred to as "the Company" or "Hatsan") was founded in Altınova, Yalova in 2007 and began shipbuilding in 2008. The first delivery was a 1,500 DWT Bunker Tanker for Turkish owners. Hatsan decided to start ship repair services and the first repairs began on the pier with HS10 Type 10,000 MT lifting capacity "home-made" floating dock in 2010. The Company has a total production area of 117,000m², including 26,000m² of indoor area. Hatsan offers ship build-repair-maintenance works with Hatsan Shipyard in Yalova, equipped with the most modern shipbuilding facilities, which has 5 slipways, 1 floating docks, 3 piers and 1 quay. The Company is active in the construction of new vessels, periodical repair and maintenance of vessels, as well as conversion projects. The order book consists of offshore supply vessels, fishing vessels, ferries, stainless steel tankers, and complex tailor-made state-of-the-art new building projects.

The main shareholder of Hatsan is Pekar Grup İnşaat A.Ş. (Pekar Grup) with a share of 79.80% and 20% of it is publicly held as of FYE2024. Pekar Grup was established in Istanbul in 2007 under the title of Kar Gemi İnşaa ve Deniz Nakliyat Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş. Hatsan's shares have been publicly traded on the Borsa İstanbul (BIST) under the ticker symbol "HATSN" since September 2023. The Company employed a staff force of an average of 318 as of FYE2024 (FYE2023: 272).

Key rating drivers, as strengths and constraints, are provided below.

Strengths

- Substantial EBITDA generation ability maintained despite a decline in FY2024 due to cost increases,
- Solid leverage indicators supporting healthy financial standing,
- Mitigating exchange rate risks to some extent due to FX income,
- Strengthened equity structure underpinned by internal resource generation,
- Infrastructure and capacity upgrades enabled by IPO-funded CapEx,
- Strong receivable quality and low collection risk backed by collateral,
- Industry expertise and deep customer insight driving tailored, value-added production.

Constraints

- Despite a slight decrease in FY2024, relatively high operating ratio restricting efficiency,
- Operational exposure to regulatory shifts and country-specific risk factors,
- Reliance on external resources due to the nature of the business model,
- As actions for a global soft landing gain prominence, decisions with the potential to adversely affect global trade are engendering considerable uncertainty.

Considering the aforementioned points, the Company's Long-Term National Issuer Credit Rating has been affirmed at 'A- (tr)'. The Company's EBITDA generation capacity, strong leverage indicators, solid equity structure, export-based sales strategy, low collection risk eliminating the pressure on asset quality, know-how, as well as, relatively high operating ratio, different country risk elements and vulnerability of the sector to macroeconomic conditions; have been evaluated as important indicators for the stability of the ratings and the outlooks for Long and Short-Term National Issuer Credit Ratings have been determined as 'Stable'. The Company's revenue generation performance, leverage profile, liquidity metrics and profitability margins will be closely monitored by JCR Eurasia Rating in the upcoming periods. The macroeconomic indicators at national and international markets, as well as market conditions and legal framework about the sector will also be monitored.

