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Dear Sirs,

Sub: Intimation under regulation 30 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirement) Regulations, 2015 – Revision in Credit Rating Outlook by ICRA Limited

We wish to inform you that the Company has received an intimation from ICRA Limited ("ICRA") regarding the revision in the outlook assigned to the Company's long-term fund-based term loan credit rating. The details are provided below:

Name of the agency	Type of Instruments	Previous Rating	Current Rating	Remarks
ICRA Limited (ICRA)	Long Term – Fund based - Term Loan	[ICRA] AA- (Watch with Developing Implications)	[ICRA]AA- (Positive)	Rating reaffirmed and removed from Watch with Developing Implications and Positive outlook assigned.

A copy of the detailed Rationale report issued by ICRA in this regard is attached herewith and can also be accessed on the website of ICRA at the link given below:

<https://www.icra.in/Rationale/ShowRationaleReport?Id=146310>



The Date & time of occurrence of the event/information is the receipt of intimation from ICRA
i.e. on 15th October 2026 around 14:49 p.m.

The above information will also be made available on the website of the Company at
www.dfpl.com.

This is for your information and record please.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

For Deepak Fertilisers

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Deepak Fertilisers & Petrochemicals Corporation Limited: Rating reaffirmed and removed from Watch with Developing Implications; Positive outlook assigned

Summary of rating action

Instrument*	Previous rated amount (Rs. crore)	Current rated amount (Rs. crore)	Rating action	Financial sector regulator [#]
Long term – Fund based - Term Loan	2186.00	2186.00	[ICRA]AA- (Positive); rating reaffirmed and removed from Watch with Developing Implications and Positive outlook assigned	RBI
Total	2186.00	2186.00		

*Instrument details are provided in Annexure I

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Rationale

While arriving at the rating, ICRA has taken a consolidated view of Deepak Fertilisers And Petrochemicals Corporation Limited (DFPCL) and its subsidiaries – Mahadhan AgriTech Limited (MAL), Deepak Mining Solutions Limited (DMSL) and Deepak GlobalChem Pte Ltd (DGPL) – due to their managerial, operational and financial linkages, collectively referred to as the Deepak Group/the consolidated entity.

ICRA has reaffirmed the rating assigned to the bank facilities of the Deepak Group, removed the rating from Watch with Developing Implications and assigned a Positive outlook to the long-term rating. The rating action follows the commencement of gas supplies under the contract with Equinor as per the schedule and pricing terms, which has supported stable ammonia production at Performance Chemiserve Limited {PCL, rated [ICRA]AA- (stable)/[ICRA]A1+}. As ammonia is a key input for the Deepak Group for manufacturing nitric acid, technical ammonium nitrate (TAN) and phosphatic fertilisers, the stable ammonia production at PCL lends stability and continuity to the Group's operations. The gas supplied under the Equinor contract is linked to the Henry Hub (HH) index and, hence, the Group's landed gas cost remains lower than both oil-indexed linked term LNG as well as prevailing spot LNG prices. This, along with elevated ammonia prices for a major part of Q1 FY2027, which continue to be well above the historical average levels, has led to a significant uptick in PCL's profitability in Q1 FY2027. ICRA expects PCL's earnings profile to remain healthy in FY2027.

The ammonium nitrate operations under DMSL have also witnessed healthy growth, supported by improved TAN realisations and adequate ammonia availability from PCL. The fertiliser segment, however, continues to face elevated phosphoric acid and ammonia costs, with the ammonia being supplied by PCL at prices linked to West Asia prices. The industry has not been able to fully pass on the increase in input costs to the farmers through the existing subsidy levels and retail price hikes. The upcoming announcement on the nutrient based subsidy (NBS) rates will remain a key monitorable for the profitability of the fertilizer segment. On a consolidated basis, the Deepak Group's profitability is expected to remain healthy in FY2027, supported by favourable pricing under the gas supply arrangement amid elevated end product prices, resulting in margin expansion.

The company is in the final stages of commissioning its nitric acid plant at Dahej and the TAN plant at Gopalpur, Odisha, and expects to start production in Q3 FY2027 and gradually ramp up the production in Q4 FY2027. The 376-kilo tonnes per annum (KTPA) TAN project at Gopalpur, with a project cost of around Rs. 2,675 crore, was approximately 95% physically complete as of June 2026 and is targeted for commissioning in Q3 FY2027. Around Rs. 2,251 crore had been incurred, funded through project debt, equity and capex creditors. Upon commissioning, the Group's aggregate ammonium nitrate capacity will increase

to around 1.0 MMTPA. The company is also in an advanced stage of commissioning its nitric acid plant, comprising 300 KTPA of weak nitric acid and 150 KTPA of concentrated nitric acid (DNA), with a planned capex of ~Rs. 1,983 crore. At present, there are no further time/cost overruns, and a timely completion of the projects and ramp-up of the production without any operational headwinds will remain a key monitorable over the course of H2 FY2027.

The ratings continue to factor in the company's diversified product portfolio comprising phosphatic fertilisers and industrial and mining chemicals. The ratings also factor in the Deepak Group's strong market position in the mining chemical business, especially in TAN, and the industrial chemicals business, particularly in nitric acid and iso-propyl alcohol (IPA). The ratings also consider the Deepak Group's strong financial flexibility.

The ratings are, however, constrained by the agro-climatic and regulatory risks in the fertiliser business and the vulnerability of the chemical division's profitability to the inherent price cyclicity along with the volatility in natural gas prices. The ratings are also constrained by the residual project execution risk associated with the large debt-funded capex plans being undertaken by the Group to set up the TAN and nitric acid projects. Around 65% of the concentrated nitric acid capacity has been tied up under a 20-year offtake contract. The project has not witnessed any cost overrun, although its commissioning has been delayed by ~6 months. While the advanced stage of implementation reduces the residual construction risk, timely commissioning, stabilisation and ramp-up of both projects within the envisaged cost will remain key monitorables. The completion of the capex programme and incremental earnings from the new capacities are expected to support an improvement in the Group's profitability and leverage metrics FY2028 onwards.

Further, ICRA notes that Mahadhan AgriTech Limited (MAL) had received assessment and demand orders following the income tax search conducted in November 2018, resulting in aggregate demands of Rs. 580.82 crore, including interest, for AY2015-16 to AY2019-20. The Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeals) {CIT(A)} had initially decided the matter against MAL, following which the company filed appeals before the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT). The appeals relating to AY2016-17 to AY2019-20 were subsequently decided in favour of MAL through an ITAT order dated July 24, 2025. For AY2015-16, MAL had filed a miscellaneous application seeking rectification of certain errors in the ITAT order; however, this application was dismissed by the ITAT through its order dated February 23, 2026. Accordingly, the relevant quantum issues arising from the original assessment proceedings for AY2015-16 remain pending before the CIT(A).

Separately, against the aggregate penalty demand of Rs. 478.90 crore, including interest, relating to AY2015-16 to AY2018-19, penalties aggregating Rs. 382.80 crore have been waived. The appeal against the residual penalty of Rs. 96.04 crore pertaining to AY2015-16 also remains pending before the CIT(A). In addition, the Income Tax Department has filed an appeal before the High Court against the favourable ITAT order arising from the assessment proceedings under Section 153A of the Income Tax Act. The management remains confident of a favourable outcome in the pending quantum and penalty appeals; nevertheless, ICRA will continue to monitor developments in this matter.

Key rating drivers and their description

Credit strengths

Strong market position in domestic industrial and mining chemical business - The Deepak Group has a strong market position in the existing chemical businesses of TAN, nitric acid and IPA. The Group is one of the leading players of TAN in the domestic market, supported by the superior product quality of low-density ammonium nitrate (LDAN), which commands a premium over AN-melt manufactured by domestic players and imported fertiliser-grade AN. The Group is one of the leading manufacturers of IPA and concentrated nitric acid (CNA) in the domestic market. It is also expanding its capacities in TAN, which would allow it to maintain its dominant position over a longer term. The backward integration to produce ammonia and a moderation in the production cost from FY2027 is expected to improve the competitiveness of these products further.

Diversified portfolio with shift towards value-added products - DFPC has a diversified revenue mix across industrial chemicals, mining chemicals and fertilisers. Additionally, the company has been focusing on a shift in its product mix towards value-added products to augment its profitability. Under the mining chemicals segment, the company remains the only producer of low-density ammonium nitrate (LDAN) in India. LDAN is a value-added product used for manufacturing ammonium

nitrate fuel oil (ANFO) explosives. The company is also working to develop a service model under its TAN business to provide value-added service to the mining companies and in turn support the uptake of its mining chemicals. Similarly, in the nitric acid segment, the company is focusing on developing special grades of nitric acid to cater to application-specific requirements. The company has also been able to maintain stable profitability in its fertiliser segment wherein it has been focusing on ramping up its value-added products for crop-specific solutions.

Favourable demand prospects - The domestic demand outlook for the company's key products such as TAN, IPA and nitric acid remains healthy. The demand for TAN will be driven by the coal mining and infrastructure sectors, while the demand for nitric acid would be supported by the planned capacity addition in the downstream segments. The IPA market is expected to maintain a healthy growth, led by an expanding end-user industry, namely the pharma sector, apart from dyes and paints. The demand for the fertiliser segment is also expected to stay healthy as the country remains dependent on imports to meet its the phosphatic fertiliser requirements.

Healthy financial flexibility - The Group has a healthy financial flexibility, reflected in its fund-raising and refinancing ability. In the past, it had raised funds through rights issues, qualified institutional placements (QIP) and compulsorily convertible debentures (CCDs) which were subscribed by marquee domestic and international financial institutional investors, and from multilateral agencies.

Credit challenges

Profitability vulnerable to commodity prices - DFPCL's profitability remains exposed to the volatility in commodity prices, as the realisations for key products such as ammonium nitrate, ammonia, IPA remain closely linked to global commodity cycles. The company is also susceptible to fluctuations in the prices of major inputs, particularly phosphoric acid and natural gas. While TAN prices had been under pressure from large-scale imports from Russia in the past, the IPA segment is currently facing pricing constraints from acetone-based IPA producers. Thus, the company's ability to navigate the commodity cycles through a diversified product mix with higher value addition will remain key to maintaining a stable profitability.

Exposure to regulatory risks - The fertiliser business is exposed to agro-climatic risk and operates in a regulated environment. The selling prices of the products remain dependent on the subsidy allocated by the GoI to the various nutrients. DFPCL, thus, remains exposed to any sharp variation in the subsidy levels announced under the NBS scheme, along with timely subsidy payout by the GoI and other regulatory interventions on product prices. ICRA also notes the regulatory overhang related to the additional claims raised by GAIL towards domestic gas supply. While the Group has received favourable orders so far in this matter, GAIL has filed petitions in the Supreme Court of India. The matter is sub-judice.

Residual projection execution risk pertaining to large debt-funded capex - The Deepak Group is undertaking a Rs. 4,658-crore capex programme, with around Rs. 3,577 crore incurred till June 2026, for setting up a 376-KTPA TAN project at Gopalpur, Odisha, at a capital outlay of nearly Rs. 2,675 crore, and a nitric acid plant at Dahej, Gujarat, at an investment of nearly Rs. 1,983 crore. The Group has tied up debt to fund both the projects, with the drawdowns already at healthy levels to support project execution. Both the projects are at an advanced stage of implementation, with the Gopalpur TAN and Dahej nitric acid projects around 95% and 90% physically complete, respectively, as of June 2026. Given the sizeable capex, the Group remains exposed to residual project execution risk, and the timely completion, commissioning and stabilisation of the projects within the envisaged capital outlay will remain the key monitorables. However, comfort can be drawn from the fact that the capex is in the existing lines of business and the Group has an established track record of operating similar plants.

Environmental and social risks

The industry in which the company operates and the products it deals with involves environmental hazards from exposure to chemical waste, pollution and toxicity. This has necessitated the company to increase its investments to meet the evolving and tighter regulatory standards. DFPCL is committed to the safety and preservation of the environment and believes in using

natural and manmade resources in an optimal and responsible manner and ensure the sustainability of the resources by reducing, reusing, recycling and managing waste.

As per the company's disclosure, it shall continuously seek to improve its environmental performance by adopting cleaner production methods and promoting the use of energy-efficient and environment-friendly technologies. Energy consumption is constantly monitored at the plants to achieve an overall reduction in its use. The processes are also reviewed and modified to reduce the requirement of water from time to time.

Growing awareness about the use of chemical fertilisers in farming and the rising preference for organic produce can impact fertiliser offtake. However, the productivity in organic farming remains low at present and, thus, the near-term risk to fertiliser offtake is low. Going forward, technological breakthroughs in developing organic alternatives with equal or better productivity can pose a significant threat to fertiliser offtake, although the threat remains long term in nature.

Liquidity position: Adequate

The liquidity position of the Deepak Group at a consolidated level remains adequate, supported by expectations of robust cash flow from operations of Rs. 1,500-1,800 crore in FY2027, a healthy cushion in the working capital limits for DFPCL and MAL and ~Rs. 538.5 crore of cash balances as on March 31, 2026. The company should be able to meet its debt servicing obligations over the next 12-18 months comfortably. The company has adequate tie-ups to meet the project funding for the TAN and nitric acid projects which will support the liquidity position. The cash flow from operations and the debt tie-ups will be adequate to fund the ongoing capex plans and to meet the term debt repayments for the Group, going forward.

Rating sensitivities

Positive factors – The Positive outlook could be resolved favourably if the ongoing TAN and nitric acid projects are commissioned within the envisaged timelines and costs, followed by the timely stabilisation and ramp-up of the new facilities, which would increase the Group's scale of operations and earnings, while maintaining comfortable credit metrics.

Negative factors – The outlook could be revised to Stable and/or the ratings could be downgraded in case of material delays or cost overruns in the ongoing projects, slower-than-envisaged stabilisation or ramp-up of the new facilities, or a sustained moderation in profitability and cash accruals, resulting in a moderation of the credit metrics. Any large debt-funded capital expenditure or acquisition, or a material stretch in the working capital cycle that weakens the Group's liquidity and credit profile, would also exert pressure on the ratings. A specific credit metric for downgrade would be net debt/OPBDITA above 2.5 times on a sustained basis.

Analytical approach

Analytical approach	Comments
Applicable rating methodologies	Corporate Credit Rating Methodology Chemicals Fertilizers
Parent/Group support	Not applicable
Consolidation/Standalone	For arriving at the ratings, ICRA has combined the business and financial risk profiles of Deepak Fertilisers And Petrochemicals Corporation Limited (DFPCL) with its subsidiaries, Mahadhan AgriTech Limited and Deepak Mining Solutions Limited and and Deepak Globalchem Pte. Ltd., as they are an integral part of DFPCL's operations. ICRA has considered the consolidated financials of DFPCL. As on March 31, 2026, the company had six subsidiaries, four step-down subsidiaries and one JV, that are enlisted in Annexure II

About the company

DFCPL was incorporated in 1979. The Group is involved in the manufacturing of nitro-phosphate (NP), nitrogen-phosphorous-potassium (NPK) and bentonite sulphur fertilisers, and mining and industrial chemicals such as technical ammonium nitrate (TAN), methanol, nitric acid and iso-propyl alcohol (IPA). The manufacturing facilities are at Taloja, Dahej, Srikakulam and Panipat. It also owns a commercial mall in Pune.

DFPCL's promoters hold a 45.63% stake in the company with the rest being held by public and institutional investors. In FY2025, through a scheme of arrangement and demerger of Mahadhan AgriTech Limited, the TAN business was demerged and is now housed under Deepak Mining Solutions Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of DFCPL.

Key financial indicators (audited)

DFPCL – Consolidated	FY2025	FY2026	Q1FY2027*
Operating income	10,274.4	11,506.0	3,256.3
PAT	944.7	738.8	490.0
OPBDITA/OI	19.1%	14.8%	26.0%
PAT/OI	9.2%	6.4%	15.0%
Total outside liabilities/Tangible net worth (times)	1.0	1.3	-
Total debt/OPBDITA (times)	2.1	3.7	-
Interest coverage (times)	4.7	4.8	8.9

Source: Company, ICRA Research; * Results; All ratios as per ICRA's calculations; Amount in Rs. crore; PAT: Profit after tax; OPBDITA: Operating profit before depreciation, interest, taxes and amortisation

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

Current (FY2027)				Chronology of rating history for the past 3 years					
				FY2026		FY2025		FY2024	
Instrument	Type	Amount rated (Rs. crore)	October 15, 2026	Date	Rating	Date	Rating	Date	Rating
Fund based – Term loan	Long term	2186.00	[ICRA]AA- (Positive)	Mar 31, 2026	[ICRA]AA-; rating watch with developing implications	Feb 27, 2025	[ICRA]AA- (Positive)	Feb 29, 2024	[ICRA]AA- (Stable)
Unallocated	Long term / Short term	-	-	Mar 31, 2026	[ICRA]AA-; rating watch with developing implications/ [ICRA]A1+; rating watch with developing implications; withdrawn	Feb 27, 2025	[ICRA]AA- (Positive)/ [ICRA]A1+	Feb 29, 2024	[ICRA]AA- (Stable)/ [ICRA]A1+
Others – Non-fund based	Short term	-	-	Mar 31, 2026	[ICRA]A1+; rating watch with developing implications; withdrawn	Feb 27, 2025	[ICRA]A1+	Feb 29, 2024	[ICRA]A1+
Cash credit - Fund based	Long term	-	-	-	-	Feb 27, 2025	[ICRA]AA- (Positive)	Feb 29, 2024	[ICRA]AA- (Stable)

Complexity level of the rated instruments

Instrument	Complexity indicator
Long term – Term loan	Simple

The Complexity Indicator refers to the ease with which the returns associated with the rated instrument could be estimated. It does not indicate the risk related to the timely payments on the instrument, which is rather indicated by the instrument's credit rating. It also does not indicate the complexity associated with analysing an entity's financial, business, industry risks or complexity related to the structural, transactional or legal aspects. Details on the complexity levels of the instruments are available on ICRA's website: [Click here](#)

Annexure I: Instrument details

ISIN	Instrument name	Date of issuance	Coupon rate	Maturity	Amount rated (Rs. crore)	Current rating and outlook	Financial sector regulator [#]
NA	Fund based: Term loan	FY2018	NA	FY2028	2186.00	[ICRA]AA- (Positive)	RBI

Source: Company

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Annexure II: List of entities considered for consolidated analysis

Company name	Ownership	Consolidation approach
Deepak Fertilisers And Petrochemical Corporation Limited	Parent	Full consolidation
Mahadhan AgriTech Limited	100%	Full consolidation
Platinum Blasting Services Pty Limited	100%	Full consolidation
Platinum Blasting Services (Logistics) Pty Limited (Formerly Australian Mining Explosives Pty Limited) Limited	100%	Full consolidation
Performance Chemiserve Limited	100%	Full consolidation
Deepak Mining Solutions Limited	100%	Full consolidation
Deepak Globalchem Pte. Ltd.	100%	Full consolidation
SCM Fertichem Limited	100%	Full consolidation
Deepak Nitrochem Pty Limited	100%	Full consolidation
Ishanya Brand Services Limited	100%	Full consolidation
Ishanya Realty Corporation Limited	100%	Full consolidation
Yerrowda Investments Limited	85%	Equity Method

Source: Company

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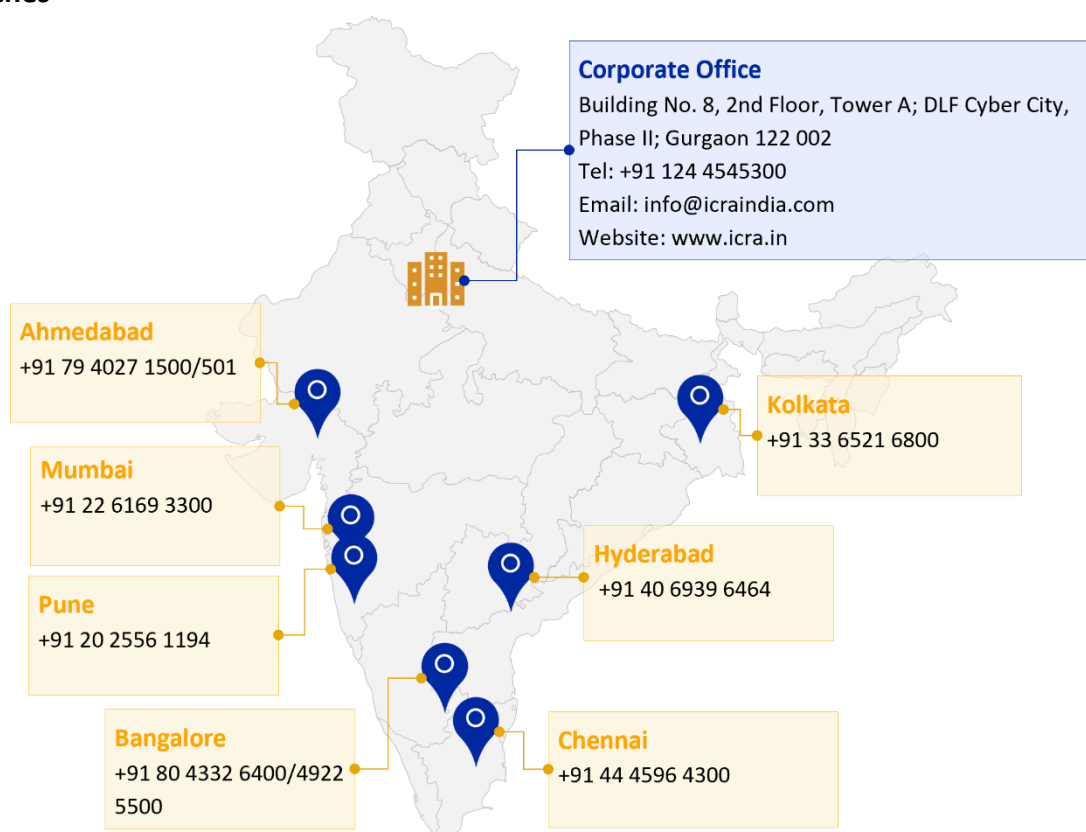
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