

02<sup>nd</sup> November, 2024

To,

<b>National Stock Exchange of India Limited</b> Exchange Plaza, C-1, Block G, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra, Mumbai - 400 051	<b>BSE Limited</b> Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers, Dalal Street, Mumbai – 400 001
<b>Trading Symbol:</b> HITECH	<b>Scrip Code:</b> 543411

Dear Sir/ Madam,

**Subject: Intimation of Credit Rating Upgrade**

Pursuant to Regulation 30 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, We wish to inform you that CRISIL Ratings Limited has upgraded the Company's credit ratings for its bank facilities. The new ratings are as follows:

- **Long Term Rating:** CRISIL A / Positive
- **Short Term Rating:** CRISIL A1

Detailed release in this regard is attached herewith.

The Complete rating rational can be accessed at [www.hitechpipes.in](http://www.hitechpipes.in) and [www.crisilratings.com](http://www.crisilratings.com)

Kindly place the same on your record.

Thanking you,

Yours Truly,

**For and on behalf of  
Hi-Tech Pipes Limited**

Arun Kumar  
Company Secretary &  
Compliance Officer

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**HI-TECH PIPES LIMITED ANNOUNCES CREDIT RATING UPGRADE BY CRISIL RATINGS LIMITED TO 'CRISIL A/POSITIVE/CRISIL A1'**

New Delhi 02<sup>nd</sup> November, 2024- Hi-Tech Pipes Ltd., one of the leading steel tubes and pipes manufacturers in India, is pleased to announce an upgrade in its credit rating for both its existing and proposed bank facilities by CRISIL Ratings Limited. This enhancement in rating underscores Hi-Tech Pipes strong financial position, operational efficiency, and the strategic growth initiatives that are driving the company forward in a dynamic steel pipe industry.

Instrument Type	Size of Issue (INR, in Crores)	Rating upgraded by CRISIL Ratings	Previous Rating from CRISIL Ratings
Long Term	239	CRISIL A/Positive	CRISIL A-/Stable
Short Term	201	CRISIL A1	CRISIL A2+

**DETAILED RATIONALE OF THE RATING ACTION.**

- 1. Established market position:** Industry presence of over three decades has helped the promoters develop strong understanding of market dynamics, resulting in diverse product profile, regular capacity enhancements and wide distributor network. Products include tubes and pipes, cold-rolled strips and engineering products used in varied industries such as real estate, automotive and agriculture. A wide portfolio acts as a safeguard against downturns in any single segment. Revenue is expected to grow at CAGR of 22% in the three fiscals through 2025 to more than Rs 3,300 crore. The group is undertaking brownfield and greenfield expansion, along with the addition of new products, which will aid further diversification in geographical presence. Revenue is expected to grow at a healthy 20-25% in fiscals 2026 and 2027, driven by volume growth on the back of enhanced capacity, improved geographic reach and expected healthy demand.
- 2. Efficient working capital management:** The working capital cycle is supported by efficient collection and inventory management system, resulting in moderate dependence on working capital limits. Gross current assets (GCAs) are expected in the range of 100-120 days as on March 31, 2025 (94 days as on March 31, 2024), driven by receivables of 30-40 days, inventory of 40-50 days and large cash and bank balance post the QIP. While growth in turnover may lead to an increase in working capital requirement, GCAs are expected to remain stable at 90-100 days over the medium term.
- 3. Strong financial risk profile:** At the group level, the financial risk profile has significantly improved following a QIP through which HTPL raised Rs 500 crore in October 2024 and Rs 133 crores through conversion of share warrants in the first half of fiscal 2025. Networth is expected over Rs 1,200 crore as on March 31, 2025 (Rs 576 crore as on March 31, 2024). Debt prepayment and lower reliance on working capital debt will lead to improvement in the capital structure, with TOLTNW expected to be 0.3 time as on

March 31, 2025 (1.05 times as on March 31, 2024). Reduction in debt, along with improved profitability, will likely lead to improvement in the debt protection metrics; interest coverage

**Commenting on the occasion, Mr. Ajay Kumar Bansal, Chairman, Hi-Tech Pipes Ltd, said**

I am delighted to share that our credit rating for bank facilities has been upgraded by CRISIL Ratings Limited. This accomplishment is a testament to our sound financial management, strong operational performance, and the trust placed in our company by the financial community.

This upgraded rating reflects our commitment to maintaining a stable and resilient business model, even in the face of industry challenges. It highlights the dedication of our team to uphold the highest standards of quality, efficiency, and innovation in our manufacturing processes.

We are proud of the progress we have made in strengthening our position as one of the leaders in the steel tubes and pipes sector. This recognition further motivates us to continue driving growth, enhancing value for our stakeholders, and staying at the forefront of industry developments.

**About Hi-Tech Pipes Limited.**

One of India's leading steel processing companies, providing world class innovative products for nearly Four decades with a strong presence in steel pipes, hollow sections, tubes, cold rolled coils & strips, road crash barriers, solar mounting structures, GP/GC Sheets, Color Coated Coils and a variety of other galvanised products. The Company operates Six (6) state-of-the-art integrated manufacturing facilities located at Sikandrabad (UP), Sanand (Gujarat), Hindupur (AP) - near Bangalore, and Khopoli (Maharashtra), with an installed capacity of 7,50,000 MTPA, on a consolidated basis and is on its way to reach 1million Tones Capacity in FY25. The Company has direct marketing presence in over 20 states with more than 450+ Dealers & distributors across India

For More Details Please visit [www.hitechpipes.in](http://www.hitechpipes.in) or Contact.:

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