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## Recognition as External Credit Assessment Institution (ECAI)



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Please refer to your letter dated November 04,2008 and subsequent letter no. CRISL/ECAI-App/71/09 dated March 17, 2009 on the captioned subject. It has been decided to recognize your credit rating agency as an eligible External Credit Assessment listitution (ECAI) on the basis of the following terms and conditions:

1) Your rating category has been mapped with Bangladesh Bank (BB) rating grade as follows:

Risk factors to be analyzed at minimum	Score	Long Term		Short Term	
		BB's Rating Grade	Equivalent Notch/Notatio n of CRISL	BB's Rating Grade	Equivalent Notch/Notation of CRISL
1) For Corporate i)Financial Risk ii)Business/Industry Risk iii)Management Risk iv) Security Risk v) Relationship Risk 2) For Banks & FIs a) Quantitative Factors: i)Capital Adequacy ii)Asset Quality iii)Earnings Quality iv)Liquidity and Capacity of External Fund Mobilization v)Size of the Bank/Institutions & Market Presence b) Qualitative Factors i)Management ii)Regulatory Environment & Compliance iii)Risk Management iv)Sensitivity to Market Risk v)Ownership (Share holding pattern) and Corporate Governance vi)Accounting Quality vii) Franchise Value 3) Others (Risk factors as mentioned in the methodology)	Highly Committed, No default history & least risk along with Score 95+	1	۸۸۸	S1	ST-1
	81-95	2	۸۸+, ۸۸	S2	ST-2
	71-80	3	ΛΛ-, Λ+, Λ,	S3	ST-3
	61-70	4	BBB+, BBB. BBB-	S4	ST-4
	45 - 60	5	BB+, BB, BB-, B+, B, B-, CCC+, CCC, CCC-	S5	ST-5
	< 45	6*	CC+, CC, CC-, C+, C, C- D	S6	ST-6
	* Includes De	efault Ratio	ng (DR)		

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You are required to develop transition matrices of your ratings so that it becomes sufficient for assessing consistency of your rating category (notch/notation). Your methodology should cover the analysis of the risk factors supported by scoring as mentioned in the above table. Detail analysis of risk factors and their scoring is stated in annexure-2.

- 2) Undisrupted and continuous database management system should be maintained by applying both solicited and unsolicited credit ratings.
- 3) BB will review recognition annually. You will continue to meet the eligibility criteria for recognition. Your methodologies and credit assessments should be appropriate over different periods of time. In case of changes in market conditions these should be reviewed accordingly with the consent of BB.
- 4) Adequate number of professional staffs should be in place for smooth functioning of the rating operation.
- 5) A quarterly report on credit ratings to be submitted to BB. All the rating will be supported by declaration (duly signed by CEO) that the rating is independent and free from conflict of interest. Such statement will be based upon the declaration made by each member/official related to rating activities.
  - 6) Pricing schedule of credit rating will remain disclosed.
- 7) The IOSCO/SEC Code of Conduct Fundamentals as published from time to time for Credit Rating Agencies has to be followed.

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Enclosed: As above