

Date: May 11, 2023
SE/2023-24/16**To,**

BSE Limited The General Manager Corporate Relation Department Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers Dalal Street Mumbai 400 001 Scrip Code: 534804	The National Stock Exchange of India Ltd. Listing Department Exchange Plaza Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra (East) Mumbai 400 051 Scrip Code: CARERATING
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Dear Sir/ Madam,

Sub: Outcome of the meeting of the Board of Directors of CARE Ratings Limited ("Company") held on May 11, 2023

With regards to the captioned matter and in compliance with regulation 30 and Para A of Part A of Schedule III of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("the Listing Regulations"), this is to inform you that the Board of Directors of the Company at their meeting held today i.e., on Thursday, May 11, 2023 have *inter alia* transacted the following businesses:

1. Considered and approved the Audited Standalone and Consolidated Financial Results for the quarter and financial year ended March 31, 2023. Copy of the financial results together with the Auditor's Report issued by B S R & Co. LLP, the Statutory Auditors of the Company are enclosed.

In compliance with the provisions of Regulation 33(3)(d) of the Listing Regulations, please note that B S R & Co. LLP, Statutory Auditors, have issued their Audit Reports with unmodified opinion on the Audited Standalone and Consolidated Financial Results of the Company for the year ended March 31, 2023, and declaration duly signed by the Chief Financial Officer of the Company stating that the said Audit Reports are with unmodified opinion is enclosed with the Financial Results of the Company.

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2. Recommended a final dividend of Rs. 7/- (Rupees Seven only) per equity share of face value of Rs. 10/- (Rupees Ten only) each and a special dividend of Rs. 8/- (Rupees Eight Only) per equity share of face value of Rs. 10/- (Rupees Ten only) each for the Financial Year 2023. The said dividend, upon approval by the shareholders, will be paid to shareholders within 30 days of the date of the Annual General Meeting.

The Record date for the purpose of payment of Dividend will be July 7, 2023.

3. Details of 30th Annual General Meeting of the Company:

The 30th Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held on Friday, July 28, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. IST through Video Conferencing/ Other Audio Visual Means (VC/OAVM) facility.

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company commenced at 04:00 p.m. and concluded at 11:58 p.m.

The above information is also being made available on the Company's website i.e. www.careedge.in.

We request you to kindly take the above on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For CARE Ratings Limited

Nehal Shah
Company Secretary & Compliance Officer
Encl: As Above

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of CARE Ratings Limited

Report on the audit of the Consolidated Annual Financial Results

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying consolidated annual financial results of CARE Ratings Limited (hereinafter referred to as the "Holding Company") and its subsidiaries (Holding Company and its subsidiaries together referred to as "the Group"), for the year ended 31 March 2023, attached herewith, being submitted by the Holding Company pursuant to the requirement of Regulation 33 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended ("Listing Regulations").

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us and based on the consideration of reports of other auditors on separate audited financial statements of the subsidiaries, the aforesaid consolidated annual financial results:

- a. include the annual financial results of the entities mentioned below to the aforesaid consolidated annual financial results:

1. List of entities included in consolidated annual financial results

Sr. No	Name of the Company	Relationship
1	CARE Ratings Limited	Parent
2	CARE Risk Solutions Private Limited	Subsidiary
3	CARE Advisory Research and Training Limited	Subsidiary
4	CARE Ratings (Africa) Private Limited	Subsidiary
5	CARE Ratings (Nepal) Limited	Subsidiary

- b. are presented in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 33 of the Listing Regulations in this regard; and
- c. give a true and fair view in conformity with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in the applicable Indian Accounting Standards, and other accounting principles generally accepted in India, of consolidated net profit and other comprehensive loss and other financial information of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing ("SAs") specified under section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act"). Our responsibilities under those SAs are further described

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in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Annual Financial Results* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements under the provisions of the Act, and the Rules thereunder, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence obtained by us along with the consideration of reports/report of the other auditors/auditor referred to in sub paragraph no. a) of the "Other Matters" paragraph below, is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on the consolidated annual financial results.

Management's and Board of Directors' Responsibilities for the Consolidated Annual Financial Results

These consolidated annual financial results have been prepared on the basis of the consolidated annual financial statements.

The Holding Company's Management and the Board of Directors are responsible for the preparation and presentation of these consolidated annual financial results that give a true and fair view of the consolidated net profit/ loss and other comprehensive income and other financial information of the Group in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in Indian Accounting Standards prescribed under Section 133 of the Act and other accounting principles generally accepted in India and in compliance with Regulation 33 of the Listing Regulations. The respective Management and Board of Directors of the companies included in the Group are responsible for maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding of the assets of each company and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and the design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the consolidated annual financial results that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, which have been used for the purpose of preparation of the consolidated annual financial results by the Management and the Board of Directors of the Holding Company, as aforesaid.

In preparing the consolidated annual financial results, the respective Management and the Board of Directors of the companies included in the Group are responsible for assessing the ability of each company to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the respective Board of Directors either intends to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The respective Board of Directors of the companies included in the Group is responsible for overseeing the financial reporting process of each company.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Annual Financial Results

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated annual financial results as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated annual financial results.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated annual financial results, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures

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that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under Section 143(3) (i) of the Act, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion through a separate report on the complete set of financial statements on whether the company has adequate internal financial controls with reference to financial statements in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures in the consolidated annual financial results made by the Management and Board of Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Management and Board of Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the appropriateness of this assumption. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated annual financial results or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated annual financial results, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated annual financial results represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial results of the entities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated annual financial results. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the audit of financial results of such entities included in the consolidated annual financial results of which we are the independent auditors. For the other entities included in the consolidated annual financial results, which have been audited by other auditors, such other auditors remain responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the audits carried out by them. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion. Our responsibilities in this regard are further described in sub paragraph no. a) of the "Other Matters" paragraph in this audit report.

We communicate with those charged with governance of the Holding Company and such other entities included in the consolidated annual financial results of which we are the independent auditors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

We also performed procedures in accordance with the circular No CIR/CFD/CMD1/44/2019 issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India under Regulation 33(8) of the Listing Regulations, to the extent applicable.

Other Matters

- a. The consolidated annual financial results include the audited financial results of 2 subsidiaries, whose financial statements reflects Group's share of total assets (before consolidation adjustment) of Rs. 2,269.96 lakhs, Group's share of total revenue (before consolidation adjustment) of Rs. 1,431.77 lakhs, Group's share of total net profit after tax (before consolidation adjustment) of Rs. 545.05 lakhs and Group's share of net cash inflows (before consolidation adjustment) of Rs. 440.43 lakhs for the year ended on that date, as considered in the consolidated annual financial results, as considered in the consolidated annual financial results, which have been audited by its independent auditor/their respective independent auditors. The independent auditor's reports on financial statements of these entities have been furnished to us by the management.

Our opinion on the consolidated annual financial results, in so far as it relates to the amounts and disclosures included in respect of these entities, is based solely on the reports of such auditors and the procedures performed by us are as stated in paragraph above.

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These subsidiaries are located outside India whose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in their respective countries and which have been audited by other auditors under generally accepted auditing standards applicable in their respective countries. The Holding Company's management has converted the financial statements of such subsidiaries located outside India from accounting principles generally accepted in their respective countries to accounting principles generally accepted in India. We have audited these conversion adjustments made by the Holding Company's management. Our opinion in so far as it relates to the balances and affairs of such subsidiaries located outside India is based on the reports of other auditors and the conversion adjustments prepared by the management of the Holding Company and audited by us.

Our opinion on the consolidated annual financial results is not modified in respect of the above matters with respect to our reliance on the work done and the reports of the other auditors.

- b. The consolidated annual financial results include the results for the quarter ended 31 March 2023 being the balancing figure between the audited figures in respect of the full financial year and the published unaudited year to date figures up to the third quarter of the current financial year which were subject to limited review by us.

For **B S R & Co. LLP**

Chartered Accountants

Firm's Registration No.:101248W/W-100022

Ajit Viswanath

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Partner

Mumbai

11 May 2023

Membership No.: 067114

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of CARE Ratings Limited

Report on the audit of the Standalone Annual Financial Results

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying standalone annual financial results of CARE Ratings Limited (hereinafter referred to as the "Company") for the year ended 31 March 2023, attached herewith, being submitted by the Company pursuant to the requirement of Regulation 33 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended ("Listing Regulations").

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid standalone annual financial results:

- a. are presented in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 33 of the Listing Regulations in this regard; and
- b. give a true and fair view in conformity with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in the applicable Indian Accounting Standards, and other accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the net profit and other comprehensive loss and other financial information for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing ("SAs") specified under section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act"). Our responsibilities under those SAs are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Standalone Annual Financial Results* section of our report. We are independent of the Company, in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements under the provisions of the Act, and the Rules thereunder, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence obtained by us, is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on the standalone annual financial results.

Management's and Board of Directors' Responsibilities for the Standalone Annual Financial Results

These standalone annual financial results have been prepared on the basis of the standalone annual financial statements.

The Company's Management and the Board of Directors are responsible for the preparation and presentation of these standalone annual financial results that give a true and fair view of the net profit/loss and other comprehensive income and other financial information in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in Indian Accounting Standards prescribed under Section 133 of the Act and other accounting principles generally accepted in India and in compliance with Regulation 33

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of the Listing Regulations. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding of the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and the design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the standalone annual financial results that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the standalone annual financial results, the Management and the Board of Directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board of Directors either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board of Directors are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Standalone Annual Financial Results

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the standalone annual financial results as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these standalone annual financial results.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the standalone annual financial results, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under Section 143(3) (i) of the Act, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion through a separate report on the complete set of financial statements on whether the company has adequate internal financial controls with reference to financial statements in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures in the standalone annual financial results made by the Management and Board of Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Management and Board of Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the appropriateness of this assumption. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the standalone annual financial results or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the standalone annual financial results, including the disclosures, and whether the standalone annual financial results represent the

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underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

Other Matter(s)

- a. The standalone annual financial results include the results for the quarter ended 31 March 2023 being the balancing figure between the audited figures in respect of the full financial year and the published unaudited year to date figures up to the third quarter of the current financial year which were subject to limited review by us.

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11 May 2023

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Statement of Consolidated Audited Financial Results for the quarter and year ended March 31, 2023

(₹ in Lakhs)

SN.	Particulars	Quarter Ended			Year ended	
		March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
		Unaudited (Refer note 12)	Unaudited	Unaudited (Refer note 11)	Audited	Audited
I	Revenue from operations	7,751.00	6,214.95	6,588.13	27,899.30	24,763.28
II	Other income	1,036.94	1,158.54	717.66	3,793.65	2,719.11
III	TOTAL INCOME (I + II)	8,787.94	7,373.49	7,305.79	31,692.95	27,482.39
IV	EXPENSES					
	Employee benefits expense	3,718.54	3,390.99	2,964.30	13,394.37	12,641.27
	Finance cost	53.78	13.90	11.96	100.17	46.38
	Depreciation and amortisation expense	305.94	266.33	213.33	1,052.94	770.59
	Impairment loss of non current assets	-	570.62	21.29	570.62	21.29
	Other expenses	1,300.95	863.85	1,355.43	4,000.20	4,139.86
	TOTAL EXPENSES (IV)	5,379.21	5,105.69	4,566.31	19,118.30	17,619.39
V	Profit before exceptional items and tax (III)-(IV)	3,408.73	2,267.80	2,739.48	12,574.65	9,863.00
VI	Exceptional items	-	-	-	-	-
VII	Profit before tax expenses (V - VI)	3,408.73	2,267.80	2,739.48	12,574.65	9,863.00
VIII	Tax expenses:					
	Current tax	1,205.72	665.40	589.23	3,830.43	2,932.09
	Adjustment of tax relating to earlier periods	107.14	(57.78)	-	49.36	-
	Deferred tax	80.59	28.92	(180.68)	149.06	(751.99)
	Total tax expense	1,393.45	636.54	408.55	4,028.85	2,180.10
IX	Net profit for the period (VII - VIII)	2,015.28	1,631.26	2,330.93	8,545.80	7,682.90
	Profit for the period attributable to:					
	Non-controlling interest	55.02	36.16	40.94	192.86	172.11
	Owners of the parent	1,960.26	1,595.10	2,289.99	8,352.94	7,510.79
X	Other comprehensive income					
	A (i) Items that will not be reclassified to profit or Loss	20.31	(52.18)	1,004.53	(121.59)	936.69
	(ii) Income tax relating to items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss	(5.12)	11.54	(157.73)	29.27	(140.93)
	B (i) Items that will be reclassified to profit or Loss	(10.02)	12.01	(2.40)	9.38	(16.42)
	(ii) Income tax relating to items that will be reclassified to profit or loss	2.52	(3.02)	0.60	(2.36)	4.13
	Other comprehensive income for the period	7.69	(31.65)	845.01	(85.30)	783.47
	Other comprehensive income for the period attributable to:					
	Non-controlling interest	(1.65)	1.98	(0.39)	1.54	(2.70)
	Owners of the parent	9.33	(33.63)	845.40	(86.84)	786.17
XI	Total comprehensive income for the period (IX + X)	2,022.97	1,599.61	3,175.94	8,460.50	8,466.37
	Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to:					
	Non-controlling interest	53.38	38.12	38.23	194.40	169.41
	Owners of the parent	1,969.59	1,561.50	3,137.70	8,266.10	8,296.96
	Paid up equity share capital (Face value ₹ 10 per share)	2,970.05	2,964.46	2,964.65	2,970.05	2,964.65
	Other equity				64,250.74	61,784.81
	Earnings per equity share (Face value ₹ 10 each) (Not annualised for the quarters ended)					
	Basic (₹)	6.60	5.38	7.72	28.17	25.45
	Diluted (₹)	6.60	5.38	7.68	28.17	25.31

Statement of Assets & Liabilities (Consolidated)

(₹ in Lakhs)

SN.	Particulars	As at	As at
		March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
		(Audited)	(Audited)
A	ASSETS		
1	Non current assets		
	Property plant and equipment	8,023.13	7,879.60
	Right of use assets	1,712.07	849.51
	Goodwill on consolidation	795.03	795.03
	Other intangible assets	198.13	37.66
	Intangible assets under development	423.03	818.66
	<u>Financial assets</u>		
	Investments (Non current)	4,391.00	4,399.89
	Loans	33.85	24.68
	Other financial assets	1,171.43	1,266.41
	Deferred tax assets (Net)	-	234.20
	Other non-current assets	35.42	36.99
	Total non-current assets	16,783.09	16,342.63
2	Current assets		
	<u>Financial assets</u>		
	Trade receivables	2,151.38	1,664.11
	Cash and cash equivalents	4,942.47	1,763.26
	Bank balances other than cash and cash equivalents	702.84	6,453.09
	Loans	29.05	21.91
	Other financial assets	50,831.44	44,255.11
	Contract assets	64.84	678.95
	Current tax asset (Net)	449.94	1,151.94
	Other current assets	1,148.09	409.69
	Total current assets	60,320.05	56,398.07
	Total assets	77,103.14	72,740.70
B	EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
I	EQUITY		
	Equity share capital	2,970.05	2,964.65
	Other equity	64,250.74	61,784.81
	Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent	67,220.79	64,749.46
	Non-controlling interest	683.33	531.42
	Total equity	67,904.12	65,280.88
II	LIABILITIES		
1	Non-current liabilities		
	<u>Financial liabilities</u>		
	Lease liabilities	1,527.69	564.08
	Provisions	1,255.13	1,166.33
	Deferred tax liabilities (Net)	493.91	606.20
	Total non-current liabilities	3,276.73	2,336.61
2	Current liabilities		
	<u>Financial liabilities</u>		
	Lease liabilities	220.12	327.24
	Trade payables		
	Total outstanding dues of micro enterprises and small enterprises	-	0.70
	Total outstanding dues of other than micro enterprises and small enterprises	995.25	512.74
	Other financial liabilities	1,774.87	1,848.65
	Contract liabilities	1,704.85	1,619.79
	Other current liabilities	477.55	500.96
	Provisions	721.65	291.83
	Current tax liability (net)	28.00	21.30
	Total current liabilities	5,922.29	5,123.21
	Total equity and liabilities	77,103.14	72,740.70



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Statement Cash Flow (Consolidated)

(₹ in Lakhs)

Particulars	For the year ended	For the year ended
	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
Cash flows from Operating Activities		
Profit before tax	12,574.65	9,863.02
Adjustments for		
Interest income	(3,164.39)	(2,477.31)
Notional income on fair value of security deposits	(11.19)	(9.71)
Dividend income from equity securities	(31.60)	(70.89)
Realized gain on sale of investments	(55.31)	-
Unrealized gain on fair valuation of investments through profit and loss	-	(59.01)
Provision for doubtful debts	40.30	640.53
Bad debts written off	11.78	37.83
Loss/(Gain) on Sale of Property, Plant & Equipment	0.81	1.98
Share based payment Expenses	48.28	652.81
(Reversal of)/impairment losses on property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	570.62	21.29
Lease concession	(11.03)	-
Gain on termination of lease	(30.84)	(57.98)
Unrealised foreign exchange (gain)/ loss	(111.73)	-
Finance cost on lease liabilities	100.16	46.38
Depreciation and amortization expenses	1,052.94	770.59
Operating Profit before working capital changes	10,983.45	9,359.52
Movements in working capital		
Decrease/(Increase) in Trade receivables	(427.64)	471.46
Decrease/(Increase) in Non financial assets	614.09	(46.99)
Decrease in Financial assets	94.14	620.62
Increase in other current assets	(738.40)	-
Decrease/(Increase) in Non-current financial assets	2.30	(53.27)
Decrease/(Increase) in Non financial liabilities	85.06	(574.80)
Decrease in financial liabilities	408.94	116.29
Decrease/(Increase) in Other liabilities & provisions	373.61	(159.71)
Total Movements in working capital	412.10	373.61
Taxes paid	(3,171.31)	(2,932.79)
Net cash generated from operating activities	8,224.24	6,800.33
Cash flows from Investing Activities		
Interest Income	1,841.04	2,440.44
Dividend received	31.60	70.89
Net proceeds from/(investment in) Fixed Deposits	508.09	(23,929.08)
Proceeds from Sale of Property Plant & Equipment	2.63	22.09
Acquisition of Property, Plant & Equipment & capital advances	(1,150.64)	(1,898.33)
Purchase of investments	(15,075.00)	(0.53)
Redemption of investments	15,130.31	20,562.68
Net cash from/(used) investing activities	1,288.03	(2,731.83)
Cash flows from Financing Activities		
Dividend and Dividend Tax paid	(5,976.37)	(3,829.96)
Buyback related expenses	(163.40)	-
Premium paid on buy back of share	(21.20)	-
Redemption of share capital on account of buy back during the year	(0.42)	-
Proceeds from exercise of share options	242.38	644.32
Repayment of lease liability	(313.89)	(281.78)
Payment of interest on lease liability	(100.16)	(46.38)
Net cash used in financing activities	(6,333.06)	(3,513.80)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	3,179.21	554.71
Cash And Cash Equivalents At The Beginning	1,763.26	1,208.55
Cash And Cash Equivalents At The End	4,942.47	1,763.26
Cash and cash equivalents comprise of:		
Cash on hand	0.94	0.57
Liquid Mutual fund	3,005.70	-
Balances with Banks		
On current account	725.05	665.34
Other Bank balances		
Deposit accounts	1,210.07	1,096.87
Prepaid cards	0.71	0.47
Total	4,942.47	1,763.26



Statement of Standalone Audited Financial Results for the quarter and year ended March 31, 2023

(₹ in Lakhs)

SN	Particulars	Standalone				
		Quarter Ended		Year ended		
		March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
		Unaudited (Refer note 12)	Unaudited	Unaudited (Refer note 11)	Audited	Audited
I	Revenue from operations	6,805.38	5,455.44	5,954.47	24,883.91	21,927.29
II	Other income	1,012.02	1,102.86	739.23	3,710.39	2,836.12
III	TOTAL INCOME (I + II)	7,817.40	6,558.30	6,693.70	28,594.30	24,763.41
IV	EXPENSES					
	Employee benefits expense	2,828.85	2,590.66	2,491.10	10,403.14	10,676.40
	Finance cost	44.81	7.13	8.66	69.94	39.64
	Depreciation and amortisation expense	233.44	192.92	188.26	805.42	698.82
	Impairment loss of non current assets	173.26	398.29	-	571.55	-
	Other expenses	1,021.86	640.51	587.75	2,930.40	2,650.64
	TOTAL EXPENSES (IV)	4,302.22	3,829.51	3,275.77	14,780.45	14,065.50
V	Profit before exceptional items and tax (III)-(IV)	3,515.18	2,728.79	3,417.93	13,813.85	10,697.91
VI	Exceptional items	-	-	-	-	-
VII	Profit before tax expenses (V - VI)	3,515.18	2,728.79	3,417.93	13,813.85	10,697.91
VIII	Tax expenses:					
	Current tax	1,156.90	637.19	551.41	3,677.91	2,831.73
	Adjustment of tax relating to earlier periods	(85.11)	(76.11)	-	(161.22)	-
	Deferred tax	(142.19)	27.91	(25.24)	(83.03)	(581.06)
	Total tax expense	929.60	588.99	526.17	3,433.66	2,250.67
IX	Net profit for the period (VII - VIII)	2,585.58	2,139.80	2,891.76	10,380.19	8,447.24
X	Other comprehensive income					
	A (i) Items that will not be reclassified to profit or Loss	22.14	(45.84)	997.43	(116.32)	918.61
	(ii) Income tax relating to items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss	(5.57)	11.54	(157.56)	29.27	(137.72)
	B (i) Items that will be reclassified to profit or Loss	-	-	-	-	-
	(ii) Income tax relating to items that will be reclassified to profit or loss	-	-	-	-	-
	Other comprehensive income for the period	16.57	(34.30)	839.87	(87.05)	780.89
XI	Total comprehensive income for the period (IX + X)	2,602.15	2,105.50	3,731.63	10,293.14	9,228.13
	Paid up equity share capital (Face value ₹ 10 per share)	2,970.05	2,964.46	2,964.65	2,970.05	2,964.65
	Other equity				66,516.12	62,058.29
	Earnings per equity share (Face value ₹ 10 each) (Not annualised for the quarters ended)					
	Basic (₹)	8.71	7.22	9.75	35.00	28.62
	Diluted (₹)	8.70	7.22	9.69	35.00	28.47



Statement of Assets & Liabilities (Standalone)

(₹ in Lakhs)

SN.	Particulars	Standalone	
		As at	As at
		March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
		(Audited)	(Audited)
A	ASSETS		
1	Non current assets		
	Property plant and equipment	7,735.10	7,794.32
	Right of use assets	1,333.53	365.12
	Intangible assets	16.29	35.38
	Intangible assets under development	285.64	652.02
	Financial assets		
	Investments (Non Current)	11,219.06	7,051.21
	Loans	144.45	957.09
	Other financial assets	72.90	1,216.03
	Other non-current assets	35.42	36.99
	Total non-current assets	20,842.39	18,108.16
2	Current assets		
	Financial assets		
	Trade receivables	1,632.26	1,360.54
	Cash and cash equivalents	4,250.92	1,196.18
	Bank balances other than cash and cash equivalents	24.62	5,931.28
	Loans	27.41	21.91
	Other financial assets	49,355.73	43,159.08
	Contract assets	46.07	38.71
	Current tax asset (Net)	248.75	724.57
	Other current assets	295.29	321.13
	Total current assets	55,881.05	52,753.39
	Total assets	76,723.44	70,861.55
B	EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
I	EQUITY		
	Equity share capital	2,970.05	2,964.65
	Other equity	66,516.12	62,058.29
	Total equity	69,486.17	65,022.94
II	LIABILITIES		
1	Non-current liabilities		
	Financial liabilities		
	Lease liabilities	1,241.46	183.04
	Provisions	990.69	1,078.81
	Deferred tax liabilities (Net)	493.91	606.20
	Total non-current liabilities	2,726.06	1,868.05
2	Current liabilities		
	Financial liabilities		
	Lease liabilities	123.56	238.97
	Trade payables		
	Total outstanding dues of micro enterprises and small enterprises		0.70
	Total outstanding dues of other than micro enterprises and small enterprises	419.34	285.92
	Other financial liabilities	1,702.88	1,556.27
	Contract liabilities	1,588.99	1,234.31
	Other current liabilities	105.25	417.93
	Provisions	571.19	236.45
	Total current liabilities	4,511.21	3,970.56
	Total equity and liabilities	76,723.44	70,861.55

Statement Cash Flow (Standalone)

(₹ in Lakhs)

Particulars	For the year ended	For the year ended
	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
Cash flows from Operating Activities		
Profit before tax	13,813.85	10,697.91
Adjustments for		
Interest income	(3,001.21)	(2,426.68)
Dividend income from equity securities	(133.64)	(158.93)
Notional income on fair value of security deposits	(11.19)	(9.71)
Realized gain on sale of investments	(55.31)	-
Unrealized gain on fair valuation of investments through profit and loss	-	(108.76)
Provision for bad and doubtful debts	37.03	(20.38)
Bad debts written off	6.26	18.65
Loss/(Gain) on Sale of Property, Plant & Equipment	0.81	1.98
Share based payment expense	14.73	629.01
Lease concession	(11.03)	-
Gain on termination of lease	(30.84)	-
Finance cost on lease liabilities	69.94	39.64
(Reversal of)/impairment losses on property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	571.55	-
Depreciation and amortization expenses	805.42	698.82
Operating Profit before working capital changes	12,076.37	9,361.57
Movements in working capital		
Decrease/(Increase) in Financial assets	(230.72)	59.50
Decrease/(Increase) in Other assets	2.30	(24.56)
Decrease/(Increase) in Contract assets	(7.36)	(13.62)
Decrease/(Increase) in Other current assets	25.84	8.24
Decrease/(Increase) in Financial liabilities	452.58	293.85
Decrease/(Increase) in Contract liabilities	354.68	(366.76)
Decrease/(Increase) in Other liabilities & provisions	(182.22)	(339.92)
Total Movements in working capital	415.10	(383.27)
Taxes paid	(3,040.87)	(2,624.03)
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities	9,450.60	6,354.27
Cash flows from Investing Activities		
Interest income	1,651.17	2,416.91
Dividend income from equity securities	133.64	158.93
Investment in fixed deposits	2,082.50	(23,775.52)
Interest on loan to subsidiaries	36.84	46.64
Proceeds from Sale of Property Plant & Equipment	2.63	18.14
Acquisition of Property, Plant & Equipment & capital advances	(655.92)	(1,404.02)
Loan to subsidiary	821.80	(532.40)
Investment in subsidiary	(4,350.00)	-
Purchase of investments	(15,075.00)	(0.53)
Redemption of investments	15,130.31	20,784.62
Net cash from investing activities	(222.03)	(2,287.22)
Cash flows from Financing Activities		
Dividend and dividend tax paid	(5,933.88)	(3,829.96)
Buyback related expenses	(163.40)	-
Premium paid on buy back of share	(21.20)	-
Redemption of share capital on account of buy back during the year	(0.42)	-
Proceeds from exercise of share options	242.38	644.32
Repayment of lease liability	(227.37)	(233.43)
Payment of interest on lease liability	(69.94)	(39.64)
Net cash used in financing activities	(6,173.83)	(3,458.71)
Net Increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	3,054.74	608.32
Cash And Cash Equivalents at The Beginning	1,196.18	587.86
Cash And Cash Equivalents at The End	4,250.92	1,196.18
Cash and cash equivalents comprise of:		
Cash on hand	0.65	0.46
Liquid Mutual fund	3,005.70	-
Balances with Banks		
On current account	513.29	402.02
Other Bank balances		
Deposit accounts	0.71	793.23
Prepaid cards	730.57	0.47
Total	4,250.92	1,196.18





Notes:-

- The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at its meeting held on May 11, 2023 and have been subjected to audit by the statutory auditors of the Company.
- The Board of Directors of the Company have recommended final dividend of ₹ 7/- per share and Special dividend of ₹ 8/- per share to mark the completion of 30 years of operations of the company. The company had earlier paid Rs. 10/- per share as interim dividend in Q3 FY23. Accordingly, the total dividend for FY23 shall be Rs. 25/- per share.
- The consolidated financial results include results of CARE Ratings Limited and its subsidiaries namely CARE Risk Solutions Private Limited, CARE Advisory Research and Training Limited, CARE Ratings (Africa) Private Limited and CARE Ratings Nepal Limited.
- The accompanying financial results have been prepared as per the format prescribed under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 as modified by Circular No. CIR/CFD/FAC/62/2016 dated July 5, 2016.
- The financial results have been prepared in accordance with the applicable accounting standards, as modified under the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 and as specified in section 133 of the Companies Act.
- The company has provided for following during the period :

Particulars	Standalone		Consolidated	
	Q4 FY23	FY23	Q4 FY23	FY23
Carrying value of intangible assets under development	-	570.62	-	570.62
Less : Adjustment for payable to vendor (subsidiary) no longer payable	-	(172.33)	-	-
Impairment of intangible assts under development recognised in statement of profit and loss - (A)	-	398.29	-	570.62
Impairment of investment in subsidiary -(B)	173.26	173.26	-	-
Impairment loss of non current assets - (A) + (B)	173.26	571.55	-	570.62

- The Board of Directors at its meeting held on July 20, 2022, approved a proposal for buy-back of up to 23,68,000 fully paid-up equity shares of face value of ₹10/- each (representing 7.99% of the total issued, subscribed and paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on March 31, 2022) by way of a tender offer at a price of ₹515/- per equity share, payable in cash for an aggregate amount not exceeding ₹1,21,95,20,000/- ("Buy-back"), in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buy-Back of Securities) Regulations, 2018, as amended and the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made thereunder. The Buy-back was approved by shareholders by means of a special resolution through postal ballot on September 2, 2022. The Tendering Period of the Buy-back was concluded on December 1, 2022. Capital Redemption Reserve was created to the extent of share capital extinguished (Rs. 0.42 lakhs). The Company bought back 4,199 equity shares out of shares that were tendered by the eligible shareholders and extinguished the Equity Shares on December 19, 2022. The related expenses were appropriately recognized directly in other equity (adjusted against securities premium).
- The Company has granted a) 5,00,000 options on October 13, 2020, b) 3,22,000 options on December 01, 2020, c) 1,23,500 options on October 29, 2021, d) 25,000 options on May 28, 2022, e) 1,00,000 options on July 29, 2022 f) 72,000 options on November 8, 2022 and g) 10,000 options on January 04, 2023 to the eligible employees as the Company's Employees Stock Option Scheme (ESOS) 2020 duly approved by shareholders in AGM and Nomination and Remuneration Committee. As per Ind AS 102 - Share Based Payment, total cost of ESOS 2020 will be charged over vesting period, accordingly the Employee Benefit Expenses in standalone results includes ESOP charge under respective periods as under:

(₹ in Lakhs)

Particulars	Quarter Ended			Year ended	
	March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
	Unaudited (Refer note 12)	Unaudited	Unaudited (Refer note 11)	Audited	Audited
Share based payment expenses	66.07	45.94	36.00	14.73	629.01



9 Segment Information based on Consolidated Financial results of the Group is as follows:

(₹ in Lakhs)

	Particulars	Quarter Ended			Year ended	
		March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
		Unaudited (Refer note 12)	Unaudited	Unaudited (Refer note 11)	Audited	Audited
a	Segment Revenue					
	Ratings and related services	7,144.59	5,744.02	6,206.77	26,148.77	22,971.63
	Others	646.63	470.93	641.01	1,791.49	2,085.78
	Total Segmental Revenue	7,791.22	6,214.95	6,847.78	27,940.26	25,057.41
	Less: Inter Segment Revenue	(40.22)	-	(259.64)	(40.97)	(294.13)
	Total Revenue from Operations (Net)	7,751.00	6,214.95	6,588.14	27,899.29	24,763.28
b	Segment Results (Profit before Finance Costs and Tax)					
	Ratings and related services	2,946.68	1,746.37	2,264.17	11,000.02	7,982.15
	Others	(521.10)	(623.21)	(230.36)	(2,118.86)	(791.87)
	Total Segment Result	2,425.58	1,123.17	2,033.80	8,881.16	7,190.27
	Less: Finance Costs	53.78	13.90	11.96	100.17	46.38
	Add: Other Un-allocable Income - net	1,036.93	1,158.53	717.66	3,793.66	2,719.11
	Profit before Tax	3,408.73	2,267.80	2,739.49	12,574.65	9,863.01
		As on	As on	As on	As on	As on
		March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
c	Segment Assets					
	Ratings and related services	68,395.52	66,329.42	64,495.85	68,395.52	64,495.85
	Others	3,521.59	4,913.78	3,049.93	3,521.59	3,049.93
	Unallocated Assets	5,186.03	6,044.90	5,194.92	5,186.03	5,194.92
	Total	77,103.14	77,288.10	72,740.69	77,103.14	72,740.69
d	Segment Liabilities					
	Ratings and related services	7,534.33	7,097.64	5,980.26	7,534.33	5,980.26
	Others	1,664.69	1,470.72	1,479.56	1,664.69	1,479.56
	Unallocated	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	9,199.02	8,568.36	7,459.82	9,199.02	7,459.82
e	Capital Employed					
	Ratings and related services	60,861.19	59,231.78	58,515.59	60,861.19	58,515.59
	Others	1,856.90	3,443.06	1,570.36	1,856.90	1,570.36
	Unallocated	5,186.03	6,044.90	5,194.92	5,186.03	5,194.92
	Total	67,904.12	68,719.74	65,280.87	67,904.12	65,280.88



10 During the quarter ended December 31, 2022 interest on IT refund amounting Rs. 340.56 lakhs was recognised as part of other income.

11 The figures for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 in the above financial results are the balancing figures between the audited figures for the full financial year ended March 31, 2022 and the year to date unaudited limited reviewed figures published up to the nine months ended December 31, 2021.

12 The figures for the quarter ended March 31, 2023 in the above financial results are the balancing figures between the audited figures for the full financial year ended March 31, 2023 and the year to date unaudited limited reviewed figures published up to the nine months ended December 31, 2022.

For and behalf of the Board of Directors

CARE Ratings Limited



Mehul Pandya
Managing Director & CEO
DIN No- 07610232
May 11, 2023
Mumbai



Date: May 11, 2023

To,

BSE Limited The General Manager Corporate Relation Department Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers Dalal Street Mumbai 400 001 Scrip Code: 534804	The National Stock Exchange of India Ltd. Listing Department Exchange Plaza Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra (East) Mumbai 400 051 Scrip Code: CARERATING
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Dear Sir/ Madam,

Sub: Declaration pursuant to Regulation 33(3)(d) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015

In compliance with Regulation 33(3)(d) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 read with SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD/56/2016 dated May 27, 2016, we hereby declare that the Statutory Auditors of CARE Ratings Limited, B S R & Co. LLP, Chartered Accountants, (Firm's Registration No: 101248W/W-100022) have issued Audit Reports with unmodified opinion on Audited Standalone and Consolidated Financial Results of the Company for the financial year ended March 31, 2023.

We request you to kindly take the above on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For CARE Ratings Limited



Jinesh Shah
Chief Financial Officer

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