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Sub: Intimation about Credit Ratings by CRISIL Ratings Limited

We wish to inform you that upon the request made by DCB Bank Limited ("the Bank"), CRISIL Ratings Limited in its Rating Rationale dated January 21, 2026 has assigned the ratings of the Bank as under:

1) reaffirmed **"CRISIL A1+"** rating for ₹350 Crore Short Term Bank Facilities.
2) reaffirmed **"CRISIL AA-/Stable"** rating for Tier II Bonds Programme of ₹300 crore.
3) reaffirmed **"CRISIL AA-/Stable"** rating for Tier II Bonds Programme of ₹400 crore.
4) reaffirmed **"CRISIL A1+"** rating for the Short-Term Fixed Deposit Programme of the Bank.
5) reaffirmed **"CRISIL A1+"** rating for ₹2000 Crore Certificate of Deposit (Enhanced from ₹1500 Crore) Programme of the Bank;

The Rating Rationale is enclosed herewith and the same is also available on website of CRISIL Ratings Limited.

Please take note of the above in compliance with the provision of Regulation 30 and any other applicable provisions of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
For DCB Bank Limited

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Rating Rationale

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DCB Bank Limited

Ratings reaffirmed at 'Crisil AA-/Stable/Crisil A1+ '; Rated amount enhanced for Certificate of Deposits

Rating Action

Total Bank Loan Facilities Rated	**Rs.350 Crore**
Short Term Rating	**Crisil A1+ (Reaffirmed)**

Rs.300 Crore Tier II Bond	**Crisil AA-/Stable (Reaffirmed)**
Rs.400 Crore Tier II Bonds (Under Basel III)	**Crisil AA-/Stable (Reaffirmed)**
Short Term Fixed Deposits	**Crisil A1+ (Reaffirmed)**
Rs.2000 Crore (Enhanced from Rs.1500 Crore) Certificate of Deposits	**Crisil A1+ (Reaffirmed)**

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1 crore = 10 million
Refer to Annexure for Details of Instruments & Bank Facilities

Detailed Rationale

Crisil Ratings has reaffirmed its 'Crisil AA-/Stable/Crisil A1+' ratings on the bank facilities and other debt instruments of DCB Bank Limited (DCB Bank).

The ratings continue to reflect the bank's healthy capitalization and established market position in the small and medium enterprise (SME) segment, modest, yet range-bound, asset quality and stable senior management team. These strengths are partially offset by the average earnings profile, average resource profile with relatively lower share of CASA deposits, and the modest scale of operations in the overall banking system.

Analytical Approach

Crisil Ratings has evaluated the standalone business and financial risk profiles of DCB Bank.

Key Rating Drivers - Strengths

Healthy capitalization

DCB Bank's capitalisation remains healthy, as reflected by comfortable capital adequacy ratios (CAR), considerable networth coverage for net non-performing assets (NPAs), and flexibility to raise capital. Capitalisation ratios were comfortable with Tier 1 CAR at 14% and overall CAR at 16.4% as on September 30, 2025 (14.3% and 16.8% respectively as on March 31, 2025). Bank reported tangible networth of Rs 5,973 crore with networth coverage for net NPAs at 9.3 times as on September 30, 2025.

DCB's capital profile also benefits from AKFED's stance that it will extend support as and when required. In the past, it has infused capital either directly or through associated entities or has helped the bank raise equity. Further, in December 2023, the Bank's Promoters (AKFED) had shown its intension to infuse up to Rs 83 crore in the equity capital of the Bank through a preferential issue subject to necessary approvals*)* Crisil Ratings believes that AKFED will provide support to DCB, if the need arises.

Given DCB Bank's demonstrated ability to raise funds, Crisil Ratings believes DCB Bank will continue to maintain healthy capitalisation over the medium term.

Established market position in SME segment

The bank has been growing steadily with net advances increasing to Rs 52,975 crore as on September 30, 2025 (Rs 51,047 crore as on March 31, 2025) registering a growth of 7.6% (annualized). The bank continues to remain SME focused with significant advances to the SME segment [mortgages (~43%) and the SME/MSME book (~4%)] as of September 30, 2025. The remaining was constituted primarily by Agriculture and inclusive banking (~23%), Corporate banking (~6%), gold loans including co-lending (~20%), commercial vehicle (~1%), and other segments (~4%).

Furthermore, since the bank primarily caters to SME and Agriculture segments, majority of the book qualifies for priority sector lending (PSL). The bank has also been tapping co-lending opportunities, majorly for gold loans and a small part of unsecured business loans and school finance. However, the share of the co-lending book is likely to remain range-bound in the near term.

Mortgages constitute the majority of DCB Bank's portfolio, it consists of Loan Against Property (LAP) and Home Loans (HL). As of March 31, 2024, HL made up 53% of the portfolio, with LAP accounting for 47%. However, by September 30, 2025, the mix had changed, with LAP rising to 60% and HL declining to 40%.

Going forward, the management plans to maintain its focus on business loans, particularly the SME segment, where it aims to leverage its expertise and establish a strong market position. Crisil Ratings believes that the growth momentum shall continue with the bank continuing to focus primarily on the SME segment.

Modest, yet range-bound, asset quality metrics

The gross non-performing assets (GNPA) ratio for DCB Bank improved from 4.3% as on March 31, 2022, to 3.0% as on March 31, 2025, and stood at 2.9% as on September 30, 2025. However, the mortgage book's GNPA ratio increased slightly to 2.8% as of September 30, 2025, from 2.6% as of March 31, 2025. The SME/MSME book's GNPA ratio also saw a marginal increase to 7.0% as of September 30, 2025, from 6.9% as of March 31, 2025. While the AIB book's GNPA ratio remained steady at 3.6% as of September 30, 2025.

The corporate advances formed ~6% of total advances as of September 30, 2025, wherein the exposures are primarily to higher rated corporates. The bank runs this portfolio as liquidity management tool and focuses on shorter tenure lending. GNPA for this segment remain inched down to 4.1% as on September 30, 2025, as compared to 5.7% as on March 31, 2025.

The restructured portfolio constituted less than 3% of the gross advances as on September 30, 2025, and is entirely out of the moratorium period. Moreover, overall slippage ratio was ~3.2% in second quarter of fiscal 2026 as against ~4.6% in the first quarter of fiscal 2026 and 3.0% in fiscal 2025. However, the experience of the management, coupled with secured and granular portfolio, should help the bank to improve its asset quality metrics. The ability of the bank to comfortably manage its asset quality and credit costs will remain a key monitorable.

Experienced senior management team

The company's governance structure consists of an experienced board of directors, complemented by a seasoned senior management team with relevant expertise in their respective areas. It is lead by Mr. Praveen Kutty, Managing Director & CEO, who brings 35 years of banking experience across diverse domains.

Further, majority of the top management team at DCB Bank, joined the bank in mid-2009. The management has adopted a policy of steady growth in secured asset classes, targeting SMEs. The management team has clearly demonstrated high levels of consistency in chalking out and executing policies and growth strategies.

Key Rating Drivers - Weaknesses

Average earnings profile

The earnings profile remains moderate amidst high operating expenses including expenses incurred for branch expansion and investments in technological upgradation amongst others. The operating expenses (as a percentage of average total assets) stood high at 2.5% in the first half of fiscal 2026 (2.6% in fiscal 2025), albeit has improved from 2.7% in fiscal 2024 and 2.8% in fiscal 2023. The credit costs stood comfortable at 0.5% in the first half of fiscal 2026, albeit has inched up from 0.3% in fiscal 2025. Moreover, net interest margin (NIM) moderated to 3.0% in the first half of fiscal 2026 and fiscal 2025 as against 3.3% in fiscal 2024. As a result, the return on asset (ROA) remained range bound at 0.9% in first half of fiscal 2026 and fiscal 2025.

Repricing of floating rate loan book usually precedes the repricing of the deposits causing NIM compression in downward rate cycle. However, rationalization of operating expenses as the bank further scales up, along with controlled credit cost in steady state scenario, could improve DCB Bank's profitability over the medium to longer term and will remain key monitorables.

Average resource profile with relatively lower share of CASA

The deposit base grew by 15.8% (annualized) to Rs 64,777 crore as of September 30, 2025, from Rs 60,031 crore as on Mar 31, 2025. The current account saving account (CASA) ratio, however, marginally declined to 23.5% as on September 30, 2025, from 24.5% as on March 31, 2025. The CASA ratio of the bank continues to be lower than the peer banks, albeit the decline is in line with the industry trend.

However, the retail deposits ratio (defined as Savings Accounts + term deposits with ticket size below Rs 3 crore as a proportion of total deposit base) stood healthy at ~71% as on September 30, 2025. Also, the top 20 depositors' ratio stood at 6.86% as of September 30, 2025, and 6.61% as of March 31, 2025. With the newly opened branches achieving scale and the bank's focus on making its retail deposit base more granular, improvement in CASA ratio and small ticket retail deposit base over the medium term will remain key monitorable.

Modest scale of operations
The bank's advances grew by 7.6% (annualized) in first half of fiscal 2026 to Rs 52,975 crore as on September 30, 2025, from Rs 51,047 crore as on March 31, 2025. The deposits grew by 15.8% (annualized) to Rs 64,777 crore as on September 30, 2025, from Rs 60,031 crore as on March 31, 2025. Scale of operations remains modest, with the bank accounting for a small share of deposits and advances in the Indian banking system, as on September 30, 2025. Amidst the branch expansion in recent years, the bank now has a network of 468 branches as on September 30, 2025, as compared to 423 as on March 31, 2023.

Liquidity Strong
The structural liquidity statement as on September 30, 2025, shows positive cumulative mismatches across all the buckets and the liquidity coverage ratio stood at 123.22% as on the same date. Further, the bank's liquidity benefits from access to systemic sources, such as the liquidity adjustment facility from RBI, access to the call money market, and refinance limits from sources such as National Housing Bank, Small Industries, Development Bank of India and National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development.

ESG Profile
Crisil Ratings believes that DCB Bank’s Environment, Social, and Governance (ESG) profile supports its already strong credit risk profile.

The ESG profile for financial sector entities typically factors in governance as a key differentiator between them. The sector has reasonable social impact because of its substantial employee and customer base and can play a key role in promoting financial inclusion. While the sector does not have a direct adverse environmental impact, the lending decisions may have a bearing on the environment and other sustainability related factors.

DCB Bank has an ongoing focus on strengthening various aspects of its ESG profile.

DCB Bank’s key ESG highlights:
- The company’s Scope 1 and 2 emissions and energy consumption intensity stands at ~1.6 tCO_2E and ~2 MWh per employee, respectively, is higher compared with its peers.(BSR report 2024)
- The company’s lending exposure towards environmentally polluting sectors is lower compared with its peers.
- The company’s gender diversity at ~15% and attrition rate at ~24% are weaker compared with its peers and thus an area of improvement.
- DCB’s governance structure is characterized by 58% of its board comprising of independent directors including non-executive part time chairman and woman director, dedicated investor grievance redressal system, and extensive financial disclosures.

There is growing importance of ESG among investors and lenders. DCB Bank’s commitment to ESG will play a key role in enhancing stakeholder confidence, given shareholding by foreign portfolio investors and access to both domestic and foreign capital markets

Outlook Stable
Crisil Ratings believes DCB Bank’s capitalisation will remain adequate to meet its business growth and manage its asset-related risks

Rating sensitivity factors
Upward factors:
- Substantial ramp up in operations with improvement in asset quality metrics and earnings profile with RoA improving to around 1.5% on a sustained basis.
- Increasing granularity in deposit profile with CASA ratio improving on a sustained basis

Downward factors:
- Significant deterioration in asset quality thereby impacting the earnings profile of the bank.
- Weakening of capital position of the bank with overall CAR sustaining below 15% for an extended period

About the Company
DCB Bank was incorporated in 1995, by reconstituting the Development Co-operative Bank Ltd (DCBL) to Development Credit Bank Ltd as a joint-stock banking company. In 2014, it got its present name. DCBL was set up in 1981, by amalgamating Ismailia Co-operative Bank Ltd with Masalawalla Co-operative Bank Ltd. AKFED and its Indian associate, Platinum Jubilee Investments, are the largest shareholders in DCB Bank, with combined stake at 14.66% as on September 30, 2025. DCB Bank had 468 branches as on September 30, 2025. AKFED is an international development agency, dedicated to promoting entrepreneurship and building economically sound enterprises in developing economies. AKFED operates as a network of affiliates with more than 90 separate project companies employing over 47,000 people. AKFED had co-promoted Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd in India in the late 1970s.

Key Financial Indicators

As on /for the period ended	Unit	Sep 2025	Mar 2025	Mar 2024	Mar 2023

Total Assets	**Rs crore**	**78890**	**76,810**	**63,037**	**52,366**
Total income (net of interest expenses)	**Rs crore**	**1599**	**2,857**	**2,402**	**2,126**
Profit after tax	**Rs crore**	**341**	**615**	**536**	**466**
Gross NPA	**%**	**2.9**	**3.0**	**3.2**	**3.2**
Overall capital adequacy ratio	**%**	**16.4**	**16.8**	**16.6**	**17.6**
Return on assets	**%**	**0.9***	**0.9**	**0.9**	**1.0**

*annualised

Any other information: Not applicable

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument:
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Annexure - Details of Instrument(s)

ISIN	Name Of Instrument	Date Of Allotment	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Issue Size (Rs. Crore)	Complexity Levels	Rating Outstanding with Outlook
NA	Certificate of Deposits	NA	NA	7 to 365 Days	2000.00	Simple	Crisil A1+
INE503A08051	Tier II Bond	28-Mar-23	9.35	28-Mar-33	300.00	Complex	Crisil AA-/Stable
INE503A08069	Tier II Bonds (Under Basel III)	18-Nov-24	9.20	18-Nov-34	400.00	Complex	Crisil AA-/Stable
NA	Bank Guarantee	NA	NA	NA	0.35	NA	Crisil A1+
NA	Bank Guarantee^	NA	NA	NA	50.00	NA	Crisil A1+
NA	Bank Guarantee&	NA	NA	NA	100.00	NA	Crisil A1+
NA	Line of Credit	NA	NA	NA	10.00	NA	Crisil A1+
NA	Overdraft Facility	NA	NA	NA	150.00	NA	Crisil A1+
NA	Proposed Short Term Bank Loan Facility	NA	NA	NA	39.65	NA	Crisil A1+
NA	Short-Term Fixed Deposit	NA	NA	Upto 365 days	NA	Simple	Crisil A1+

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Annexure - Rating History for last 3 Years

	Current			2026 (History)		2025		2024		2023		Start of 2023
Instrument	**Type**	**Outstanding Amount**	**Rating**	**Date**	**Rating**	**Date**	**Rating**	**Date**	**Rating**	**Date**	**Rating**	**Rating**
Fund Based Facilities	ST	199.65	Crisil A1+		--	03-07-25	Crisil A1+	07-11-24	Crisil A1+	21-12-23	Crisil A1+	Crisil A1+
			--		--		--	14-10-24	Crisil A1+	24-11-23	Crisil A1+	--

Non-Fund Based Facilities	ST	150.35	Crisil A1+		--	03-07-25	Crisil A1+	07-11-24	Crisil A1+	21-12-23	Crisil A1+	Crisil A1+
			--		--		--	14-10-24	Crisil A1+	24-11-23	Crisil A1+	--
Certificate of Deposits	ST	2000.0	Crisil A1+		--	03-07-25	Crisil A1+	07-11-24	Crisil A1+	21-12-23	Crisil A1+	Crisil A1+
			--		--		--	14-10-24	Crisil A1+	24-11-23	Crisil A1+	--
Short Term Fixed Deposits	ST	0.0	Crisil A1+		--	03-07-25	Crisil A1+	07-11-24	Crisil A1+	21-12-23	Crisil A1+	Crisil A1+
			--		--		--	14-10-24	Crisil A1+	24-11-23	Crisil A1+	--
Tier II Bond	LT	300.0	Crisil AA-/Stable		--	03-07-25	Crisil AA-/Stable	07-11-24	Crisil AA-/Stable	21-12-23	Crisil AA-/Stable	Crisil AA-/Stable
			--		--		--	14-10-24	Crisil AA-/Stable	24-11-23	Crisil AA-/Stable	--
Tier II Bonds (Under Basel III)	LT	400.0	Crisil AA-/Stable		--	03-07-25	Crisil AA-/Stable	07-11-24	Crisil AA-/Stable	21-12-23	Withdrawn	Crisil AA-/Stable
			--		--		--		--	24-11-23	Crisil AA-/Stable	--

All amounts are in Rs.Cr.

Annexure - Details of Bank Lenders & Facilities

Facility	Amount (Rs.Crore)	Name of Lender	Rating
Bank Guarantee	0.35	Central Bank of India	Crisil A1+
Bank Guarantee&	100	Canara Bank	Crisil A1+
Bank Guarantee^	50	Bank Of India	Crisil A1+
Line of Credit	10	Central Bank of India	Crisil A1+
Overdraft Facility	100	Canara Bank	Crisil A1+
Overdraft Facility	50	City Union Bank Limited	Crisil A1+
Proposed Short Term Bank Loan Facility	39.65	Not Applicable	Crisil A1+

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