

IND-RA REPORT

Only 5% mid, emerging firms avail RBI's one-time recast

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VERY FEW CORPORATES from the mid and emerging segments had opted for the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI)'s one-time debt restructuring following respite from various government schemes such as the Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) and a faster recovery in demand, revealed a report.



issuers belong to the industrial and discretionary segments and operate mainly in sectors such as real estate, and construction and engineering, it said. The report said the ₹3-lakh crore ECLGS and the Covid-19 loans provided by banks offered respite to issuers with weak liquidity and increased their ability to withstand the sustained cash flow pressures caused by the pandemic-induced lockdown.

The lower-than-expected restructuring was on account of the various government measures and faster demand recovery in the domestic market

freshly included entities to funding from the financial system, it noted. According to the agency, the sentiments of the issuers have played a role in their not availing the restructuring scheme. "The liquidity crunch endured by the issuers in the first half of FY21, backed by the onset of a recovery in the third quarter of FY21, has led to a belief of their increased resilience towards their liabilities," Ind-Ra report said.

unlikely to improve in the near- to medium-term. The report said the relief package offered by banks and festive demand coupled with positive sentiments will partially abate the near-term liquidity headwinds for lower-rated mid and emerging corporates. It, however, expects funding constraints to increase for issuers having stretched liquidity and a weak credit profile over 2021-22 and 2022-23, reducing the financial flexibility for those that have not availed loan restructuring.

Home First Finance closes with 2% gain in debut trade

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SHARES OF HOME First Finance Company India closed with nearly 2% gain against its issue price of ₹518 apiece on its debut trade on Wednesday. The stock got listed at ₹612.15, a gain of 18.17% from the issue price on the BSE. Later, it jumped 23.45% to ₹639.50 during the day. But shares gave up most of the early gains towards close of trade and finally closed at ₹527.40, a gain of 1.81%.

2.45 crore units on the NSE during the day. The initial public offering of Home First Finance Company India was subscribed 26.66 times last month. The price range for the ₹1,153.71-crore offer of the housing finance company was at ₹517-518 per share.

Bad bank plan sparks concern in distressed loan market

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THE BUDGET PROPOSAL to set up a bad bank to manage one of the world's largest piles of soured loans could bring unintended consequences. One that some market participants say they will be closely watching is whether it could wind up inflating the price of distressed assets.

ing secretary Debasish Panda told reporters this week that banks might have to put in initial capital to start the bad bank. While the plan provides a new path to resolve soured loans, key issues including the capitalization of the bank, its ownership structure, and the limited secondary market for stressed assets still need to be addressed, said Nitesh Jain, a director at Crisil Ratings. Any such issues with the transparency of bad loan pricing could crimp interest in distressed credit that has been growing in recent years and drawing investors from Oaktree to Apollo.

LIC IPO may hit market in Q4 of next fiscal: DEA secy

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THE INITIAL PUBLIC offering of LIC may hit the market in the fourth quarter of the next financial year, and the government has introduced amendments to the Life Insurance Corporation Act 1956 to facilitate this, economic affairs secretary Tarun Bajaj said on Wednesday. As many as 27 amendments have been pushed through the Finance Bill 2021 tabled by finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Monday along with the Budget.

fourth quarter of next financial year, depending on how soon the valuation comes," he told PTI in an interview. On Monday, the finance minister announced that the initial public offer (IPO) of Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) will take place in the next financial year.

Currently, the government owns a 100% stake in LIC. Once listed, LIC is likely to become the country's biggest company by market capitalisation with an estimated valuation of ₹8-10 lakh crore. DIPAM has already selected actuarial firm Milliman Advisors for ascertaining the embedded value of LIC.

Table for THE INDIAN HOTELS COMPANY LIMITED. Includes financial results for the quarter and nine months ended December 31, 2020, with sections for Standalone and Consolidated data.

Ujjivan SFB posts ₹279-cr loss on higher provisioning

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UJIVAN SMALL FINANCE Bank on Wednesday reported a net loss of ₹279 crore for the third quarter ended December 2020, mainly because of higher provisioning. The bank had posted a net profit of ₹90 crore in the October-December quarter of 2019-20.

₹427 crore. However, treasury income more than doubled to ₹93 crore during the quarter from ₹39 crore. The bank said its gross non-performing assets (NPA) stood at 1% and net NPA at 0.05% by December-end 2020, compared with 0.9% and 0.4%, respectively, a year ago.

There are many details about the bad bank that policy-makers haven't clarified, including its ownership structure, which makes any analysis challenging. But if the firm is owned by lenders, including ones that originated soured assets bought at lower prices, that could force those banks to mark down the value of the securities they receive in exchange. Bank-

The total income of the bank grew by a marginal 1% to ₹789 crore in Q3 FY21, against ₹782 crore in the same period of 2019-20, Ujjivan Small Finance Bank said in a regulatory filing. Its net interest income was up at ₹432 crore, against

SHREE WORSTEX LIMITED. Includes company details, financial results table for the quarter ended December 31, 2020, and notes.

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