

## MAPLE LEAF CEMENT FACTORY LIMITED

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### RATING DETAILS

| RATINGS CATEGORY      | Latest Rating    |            | Previous Rating  |            |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------|------------------|------------|
|                       | Long-term        | Short-term | Long-term        | Short-term |
| ENTITY                | A+               | A1         | A                | A1         |
| RATING OUTLOOK/ WATCH | Stable           |            | Stable           |            |
| RATING ACTION         | Upgrade          |            | Reaffirmed       |            |
| RATING DATE           | December 4, 2025 |            | October 11, 2024 |            |

### Shareholding (5% or More)

Kohinoor Textile Mills Limited - 57.9%

General Public - 29.2%

Modarabas and Mutual Funds - 7.6%

### Other Information

Incorporated in 1960

Public Limited Company (listed)

Chief Executive: Mr. Sayeed Tariq Saigol

External Auditor: A.F. Ferguson & Co PWC

### Applicable Rating Methodology

VIS Entity Rating Criteria Methodology - Corporates Ratings

<https://docs.vis.com.pk/docs/CorporateMethodology.pdf>

### Rating Scale

<https://docs.vis.com.pk/docs/VISRatingScales.pdf>

### Rating Rationale

Maple Leaf Cement Factory Limited's ('MLCF' or 'the Company') ratings reflect its sustained business position within Pakistan's cement sector. The Company's integration within the Kohinoor Maple Leaf Group provides strategic advantages. The long-established management team, led by an experienced leadership with deep sectoral expertise, continues to demonstrate sound corporate governance and strategic oversight. The Board's composition and functioning remain compliant with regulatory requirements, supported by well-structured audit and remuneration committees, ensuring adherence to transparency and accountability standards.

Operationally, the Company has maintained stable production levels despite industry-wide challenges stemming from subdued construction demand, fluctuating input costs, and energy price volatility. The resilience in profitability is underpinned by strong pricing power, cost rationalization initiatives, and enhanced efficiency in energy usage. The Company's ability to sustain healthy margins and positive cash flows amid sectoral headwinds underscores its competitive positioning.

Financially, MLCF continues to demonstrate a conservative capital structure characterized by declining debt levels, strengthening equity base, and improved liquidity. The repayment of long-term obligations and reduced reliance on short-term borrowings have contributed to lower leverage, while effective working capital management has enhanced liquidity buffers. Robust internal cash generation and income from subsidiaries further bolster the financial profile, ensuring strong debt-servicing capacity and adequate coverage metrics.