

**Rating Rationale
Emtel Limited (“Emtel”)**

Ratings

Instrument	Amount (MUR Million)	Rating	Rating Action
Bond Issue	1,000	CARE MAU AA-; Stable [Double A Minus; Outlook: Stable]	Reaffirmed
Bond Issue	1,150	CARE MAU AA-; Stable [Double A Minus; Outlook: Stable]	Reaffirmed

Rating Rationale

The rating continues to derive strength from the strong parentage of Currimjee group and Bharti group, extensive experience of both groups in the telecom sector, Emtel Limited’s (“Emtel”) strong brand presence with its position as the second largest player in the Mauritian telecommunication market, integrated telecommunications operations, additional income in the form of dividend from EMVision Ltd, economies of scale in procurement with the Bharti and Currimjee groups, established & reasonably large subscriber base, robust spectrum profile, strong distribution network allowing consistent growth in subscriber base and growth in usage of data and moderate financial position along with comfortable debt coverage & liquidity indicators. CRAF has also considered the very strong articulation by Emtel’s management to restrict dividend pay-out in future years.

The rating is constrained by increasing competition among existing service providers, capital intensive nature of the industry leading to significant capital expenditure, high exceptional dividend pay-out ratio leading to depletion in net worth for last 2 years and its exposure to regulatory and obsolescence risks.

In March 2020, Emtel acquired 90% stake in EMVISION Ltd., which holds 52.94% stake in MC Vision Ltd which is a debt free and cash generating company with a consistent dividend paying track record for last 5 years. The total cost of the acquisition of MUR 1,150 million, was funded by raising a Bond of MUR 1,150 million. This fully debt funded acquisition coupled with high dividend pay-out ratio will negatively impact the projected debt coverage ratios over next few years.

The rating is sensitive to the company’s ability to sustain profitability, maintain & increase market share in the Mauritian telecom market, improve its capital structure & net worth and timely execution of the projects within stipulated cost.

BACKGROUND

Emtel Limited (“Emtel”) was incorporated in July 1987 by the Currimjee group (currently owning 75% stake in Emtel). In May 1989, Emtel became the first operator to commercially launch mobile telephony in the whole southern Hemisphere as an international joint venture of the two groups, the Currimjee Jeewanjee Group of Mauritius, and a Swedish company, Comvik which later went on to become Millicom

International Cellular (MIC) S.A, a global telecommunications group based in Luxembourg. In 2014, the Currimjee group procured the entire stake of Millicom in Emtel. In 2015, Emtel partnered with Bharti Airtel Limited, India's leading provider with operations in 20 countries across Asia and Africa. As such, Indian Continent Investment Limited, (ICIL) a promoter entity owned by the Bharti group of India acquired 25% stake in Emtel. Emtel signed a Technical Services Agreement with Bharti Airtel Limited to benefit from the technical and commercial knowhow and business support of Airtel in various areas.

The popularization of the mobile phone in Mauritius had a direct increase in demand for Emtel's services, it being the only mobile phone operator of the Island until 1996 (when Cellplus Mobile Communications Ltd belonging to Mauritius Telecom - GoM owned company, entered the market). Emtel has been in the forefront in technology and innovation. The main milestones are as follows:

- In 1998, Emtel introduced prepaid mobile service and launched GSM (2G) technology in 1999
- In 2004, Emtel was the first operator to launch 3G network in Mauritius and in Africa,
- In 2012, Emtel was first operator to deploy 4G technology, launch TIER 3 compliant Data Centre services in Mauritius and invested in LION 2 submarine optical fibre cable project and became a member of the LION 2 consortium,
- In 2015, Emtel launched Airbox (providing high speed internet to the home without cabling) and launched the Emtel Cash, enabling subscribers to store, send and receive money using mobile phone.
- In 2017, Emtel launched Airbox services in Rodrigues.
- In 2018, Emtel was the first operator to launch Internet in Agalega.
- In 2020, Emtel acquired 90% stake in EMVision Ltd ("EMVision") from its promoter Currimjee Jeewanjee & Co. Ltd, the flagship company of the Currimjee Group at Mur 1,150 million.
- In March 2021, METISS submarine cable project connecting Mauritius, Reunion, and Madagascar to South Africa was operational. This cable is owned by a consortium of 6 other operators in the Indian Ocean including Emtel.

Mauritius has 3 telecom service providers (MyT, Emtel and MTML) and Emtel is the second largest telecom service provider after MyT in the country.

Emtel has 23 showrooms across the Republic of Mauritius (including 1 in Rodrigues) and provides mobile telecom services (voice, SMS, mobile data to prepaid & post-paid subscribers), home broadband, fixed line, enterprise business solutions. Emtel generates majority of its revenue from its voice and data services.

Management: Emtel is a professionally managed company. It is governed by a 7-member Board of Directors comprising of eminent industrialists and professionals. Mr. Bashirali A Currimjee is the Managing Director and Chairman. He has served as Honorary Consul General for the Republic of Turkey in Mauritius, President of Mauritius Chamber of Commerce, and Industry (MCCI) and Business Mauritius,

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Director of SBM and Director at the Bank of Mauritius. Mr. Rajvardhan Singh Bhullar completed his 5 years contract as CEO on December 31, 2020. On January 1, 2021, Mr. Krishnaduth Goomany took over as the CEO of Emtel. He has over 29 years of experience in the telecommunication industry and a great understanding of the local market. He formerly occupied various senior management roles at Mauritius Telecom, Cellplus Mobile Communications and Comviva Technologies. He is assisted by a team of professionals looking after various functions of the company.

CREDIT RISK ASSESSMENT

Strong parentage and experienced management of Currimjee & Bharti Group

Currimjee group was founded by Currimjee Jeewanjee (grandfather of Mr. Bashirali Currimjee). Mr. Currimjee arrived in Mauritius in 1884 and started a little business in Port Louis, trading in commodities in 1890. Over the last 130 years, the group has expanded into Commerce, Telephony, IT, Pay TV, Manufacturing, Soap, Soft drinks, Water, Margarine, Insurance, Energy, Tourism and Real Estate, etc. Currimjee group operates in seven business clusters namely: Telecom, Media & IT (Emtel, Canal+, Screenage and Currimjee Informatics), Real Estate, Tourism & Hospitality (Anantara Hotel), Commerce & Financial Services (Batimex Limited, Island Life Assurance), Energy (Total Mauritius Limited), Food & Beverages (Quality Beverages Limited and Margarine Industries Limited) and Home & Personal care (Soap & Allied Industries). The Currimjee Group's total income for FY20 was MUR 7,372 million with 8 clusters (MUR 7,550 million in FY19). The Currimjee group's telecom operations constitute around 64% of the total turnover of the group.

The other promoter Bharti group is one of India's leading integrated telecommunication service providers. The mobile services group provides mobile services in all 22 telecommunication circles across India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and 14 countries in Africa, while the home services group provides broadband and wireline services.

By virtue of being a part of the Currimjee & Bharti group, Emtel has qualified, professional and experienced management team with vast experience in the telecom sector. Moreover, Emtel enjoys strong financial flexibility being a prominent company of the Currimjee group.

Strong brand recognition

Emtel has a strong presence across the Republic of Mauritius. As on December 31, 2020, Emtel (as per Emtel's calculation based on traffic on the network and national numbering plan for mobile) had 42.3% market share of mobile subscribers in Mauritius (with an estimated total mobile subscriber in Mauritius at 1.54 million). However, as per the mobile telephony services data published in Information and Communication Technologies Authority ("ICTA") and Statistics of Mauritius website, total mobile cellular subscriptions of Mauritius were 1.91 million for 2020. Considering that data, Emtel's market

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share would be 34% for 2020. The brand 'Emtel' is ranked among Mauritius' buzziest brands across telecom and non-telecom brands.

Strong spectrum profile laying foundation for revenue visibility and business growth

Prior to the enactment of the Information and Communications Technologies Act in 2001 ("ICT Act"), the telecommunications industry was regulated under the Telecommunications Act 1988, which introduced the Telecommunications Authority. The ICT Act, established the Information and Communication Technologies Authority ("ICTA") - which is responsible for: -

1. Exercise licensing and regulatory functions in respect of information and communication services in Mauritius including the determination of types and classes of licensees and the approval of prices, tariffs and alterations thereto;
2. Advise and assist in the formulation of national policies with respect to the regulation of the information and communication industry;
3. Ensure the safety and quality of every information and communication services including telecommunication service and, for that purpose, determine technical standards for telecommunication network, the connection of customer equipment to telecommunication networks;
4. Allocate frequencies and manage, review, and, where appropriate, reorganise the frequency spectrum;
5. To further the advancement of technology, research and development relating to information and communication technologies through modern and effective infrastructure taking into account the convergence of information technology, media, telecommunications and consumer electronics;

The ICTA provided PLMN, PSTN, ILD and ISP licenses to Mauritius Telecom and Emtel respectively for a period of 15 years, with a clause to apply for renewal. In addition to the main licenses, the licensee should avail itself of additional spectrum licenses together with the payment of annual fees up until the expiry of the licenses.

As on May 2021, Emtel has PLMN, PSTN, ILD, ISP licenses along with spectrum licenses in various frequency bands. The PLMN license and related spectrum licenses were renewed in December 2019. The ILD and the ISP licenses have been renewed on 15 December 2018 and 13 May 2019 respectively and are valid for three years. The PSTN license is valid until 30 June 2026. Emtel pays more than MUR 160 million (Net amount paid in FY20 – MUR 136 million) annually in relation to license fees, solidarity levy, CSR, and USF.

In June 2021, Emtel has been awarded licence in the 2600 MHz band to operate 5G technologies.

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Consistent increase in subscriber base due to strong distribution network

Subscriber base of Emtel has increased at an annual growth rate of 5% from FY17-19 except in FY20 whereby subscriber base decreased slightly following the lockdown. About 86% of the subscriber base are prepaid customers. Total mobile & telephone subscribers in Mauritius are 2,391,600 for 2020 (478,700 fixed line telephone subscribers and 1,912,900 mobile subscribers as per ICTA Mauritius – Information and Communication Technologies Authority). The company sells its products/sim cards/recharge facility through 23 showrooms. It also supplies SIM cards and recharge facility through a wide network of retail outlets across the island. The latter are services via channel partners or distributors.

Intense competition impacting the key performance indicators

On account of aggressive marketing strategy of the 3 telecom operators to offer services to a limited targeted base/market, the competition in the industry had intensified. Emtel’s Average Revenue per User (ARPU) for mobile subscribers declined for last 4 years, despite increase in subscriber base of Emtel from FY17-19, due to increase in usage of data services (higher usage of web-based communication services like WhatsApp, Viber, Face time etc.) vis-à-vis normal voice calls, SMS, and VAS and reduction in tariff in line with competition. Average Revenue per Megabyte (ARMB) has also declined over the last 4 years. This is because earlier mobile internet users were being charged on a pay-as-you-go basis. However over last few years, Emtel has launched unlimited packs which are exclusive in the market with daily, weekly, and monthly data packages and are since then dominating the mobile data market. The prices of such packages vary in the range of MUR 10 for a daily unlimited package to MUR 819 for 90-Day unlimited package, which is cheaper than pay-as-you-go and allows users to limit and monitor their mobile expenses. This in turn has led to increase in revenue from data services over last 4 years. Income from operations and EBIDTA of Emtel for last 4 years are as shown below:

Overall Business	Unit	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
Income from operations	Mur Million	2,740	3,005	3,239	3,091
EBIDTA		1,047	1,151	1,378	1,419
EBIDTA margin %	%	38.22	38.31	42.54	44.75

There was a 4.5% dip in revenue in FY20 over FY19 due to the impact of the COVID 19 pandemic which resulted into closure of borders, lower tourist arrivals and lower prepaid recharges during the lockdown period. However, EBIDTA witnessed an increase of 3% in FY20 over FY19. The company has stated that call completion rate is more than 98% and call drop rate is also very low. Emtel’s management maintains that going forward, more revenue will be generated from data than voice business, because data will be the primary mode of communication (voice, video, and messaging) and entertainment.

Significant investment in Towers

As at December 31, 2020, Emtel had over 445 cell sites which are either on leasehold land/buildings, Emtel owned land and on shared basis with other operators. This enables it to cover 95% of the population of Mauritius and 96% of network area coverage.

Investment in Capital Expenditure (Capex) funded by debt and internal accruals

Capex is an integral part of the telecom business and Emtel has to continuously incur Capex to develop infrastructure to provide better services. The investment in capex is mainly to cater for the growing demand in data and enterprise solutions and to provide an island-wide coverage of LTE which is the enabler of high-speed data. The Company also invested in METISS submarine cable project which is led by a consortium of six operators to connect Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar, and South Africa. This cable became operational in March 2021 and is bringing the much awaited and needed extra capacity as well as redundancy in international connectivity for the country. Emtel is part of the 6 operators investing in METISS submarine cable project. This apart the company has to invest in inland fibre project connecting the balance and new towers through optical fibres, procure equipment's (routers, last mile equipment), and invest in hardware & software upgrade & other IT projects.

Capital Expenditure is estimated to be MUR 1,082 million for FY21. In the projected period (FY21-26), Emtel will have consistent annual capex of around MUR 400-700 million (infrastructure, equipment's, technology up gradation, etc.), to be funded through a mix of term loan and internal accruals.

Stake acquisition in EM Vision Ltd.

In June 2020, Emtel acquired 90% stake in EM Vision Ltd. at an aggregate cost of MUR 1,150 million. EM Vision Ltd is an investment holding company which holds 52.94% stake in MC Vision Ltd ("MC Vision"). EM Vision Ltd does not hold any other investment and does not have any other business activity. It is a debt free company and only source of revenue is in the form of dividends from MC Vision.

MC Vision Ltd

Incorporated in 1997, MC Vision is the leader in digital pay TV market in Mauritius, with over 104,000 households subscribing to its services. The shareholders of MC Vision are EM Vision (52.94%), Canal+ International (23.82%), Canal+ Reunion (13.24%) and Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation (10.0%).

Canal+ International is a French-based pay-tv service which has over 7.9 million subscribers in the Indian Ocean, Africa, the Caribbean, the South Pacific, Poland and Vietnam. Canal+ Reunion is a subsidiary of Canal+ International which operates in Reunion Island. The Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation is Government-owned and is the national public broadcaster of Mauritius, broadcasting on TV & Radio.

Post-acquisition in June 2020, Emtel owns 47.65% of MC Vision and is consequently entitled to additional annual dividend income streaming from MC Vision. In FY20, MC Vision posted a revenue of MUR 1,357

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million (MUR 1,372 million in FY19) and PAT of MUR 91 million (MUR 235 million in FY19). The company's profitability was impacted by reduction in revenue due to the pandemic leading to higher churn, closure of hotels and increase in cost due to the depreciation of the MUR. MC Vision had a debt of around 100 million as on Dec 31, 2020 and declared MUR 150 million dividend in FY20 (MUR 300 million in FY19).

Financial position: albeit moderation in leverage and debt coverage indicators due to debt funded acquisitions

Emtel reported a satisfactory performance for the financial year 2020 despite the pandemic and lockdown. The lockdown led to a lower revenue, due to lower international visitors (who use roaming and local SIMs) and reduction in usage from local customers. The subscriber base decreased from 657,116 in FY19 to 648,521 in FY20, mainly contributed by visitors who use local SIMs. The data segment has seen some growth during the year. Altogether, Emtel's turnover decreased by 4.5% from MUR 3,238 million in FY19 to MUR 3,091 million in FY20. The company also provided extended period for settlement of debts and waiver of late payment fees to ease the financial burden off people who has witnessed severe drop in their household income. However, EBIDTA increased to MUR 1,419 million (MUR 1,378 million in FY19) and PAT to MUR 552 million in FY20 (MUR 477 million in FY19) due to dividend income of MUR 71 million from EM Vision and an exceptional income of MUR 40 million for solidarity levy following the judgement on the case MT vs MRA. During FY20, GCA was comfortable at Mur 1,184 million vis-a-vis annual debt repayment obligation of MUR 387 million. Total debt/EBIDTA and Total debt/GCA were also comfortable at 1.0-2.0x times excluding the impact of finance lease. The average fund based working capital utilization was at 23% during the last 12 months ended March 2021 and at 19% for the year 2020.

Higher dividend pay-out ratio leading to lower networth of the company

Emtel generally follows a policy of high dividend payment to its shareholders subject to availability of cash post meeting debt repayment obligation and investment in capex. This policy of regular and high dividend payment has confined the growth of the networth of the company, despite consistent high profits.

Overall gearing ratio has deteriorated over last three account closing dates (1.23 as on December 31, 2018 to 1.70 as on Dec 31, 2020) due to debt availed for capital expenditure and stake acquisition of EM Vision. During the projected period, the management has very strongly stated that the dividend payout ratio will be subject to availability of cash post debt repayment.

Highly competitive industry

The Mauritian telecommunication industry is a frontrunner in the region, having been the first African country to launch mobile telecom networks in 1989, to provide 3G service in 2004 and one of the first

countries to launch IPTV services in 2006. State of the art services such as LTE and fibre broadband services are also available countrywide.

The needs of the mobile market are catered for by 3 network operators namely, Mauritius Telecom, Emtel, and MTML. As per the mobile telephony services data published in Information and Communication Technologies Authority (“ICTA”) and Statistics of Mauritius website, total mobile cellular subscription of Mauritius was 1.91 million for 2020.

Despite the increase in subscriber volume over the years, the mobile market is undergoing a shift from voice to data services. The movements can be explained by an increasing use of web-based communication services such as WhatsApp, Viber etc. In addition, while earlier years witnessed mobile internet users being charged on a pay-as-you-go basis, daily, weekly and monthly data packages have been introduced since and are dominating the mobile data market. Short Message Service is on a decreasing trend for the past 3 years to reach 500 million SMS sent for 2020 as compared to 1 billion in 2017.

A service whose demand remains on the rise is home internet connectivity, with Mauritius Telecom dominating the market share. The telecom companies are also exposed to new regulatory changes and also obsolescence of existing technology with advent of new technology which will entail more Capex. Given the limited size of the Mauritian market, issuance of licenses to new entrants whose services would bring aggregate supply over and above to what is required is highly unlikely. Hence, telecoms market in Mauritius remains one with high barriers to entry, with decreased likelihood of profitability erosion among existing participants.

Subscription Television Industry in Mauritius

Mauritius has only one public television broadcasting service, the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation (MBC), which runs a broadcasting service in Mauritius since 1965. Every household which is liable to pay an Electricity Bill is automatically subject to pay monthly fees of MUR 150 to MBC for its services unless the person declares that it does not possess a television set. MBC currently broadcasts 16 channels including BBC News and French channel TV5 Monde and users must purchase a set-top box (normally costing less than MUR 1,000) to receive such channels. The alternative to MBC channels is Subscription-TV. The Subscription-TV market in Mauritius has 4 players, namely MC Vision Ltd (popularly known as Canal Plus), Mauritius Telecom Ltd (MyT), Mediacom Ltd (Parabole Maurice) and Vitiro Ltd (DStv Mauritius). They are all licensed by the Independent Broadcasting Authority.

MC Vision Ltd: - MC Vision provides satellite TV and airs more than 100 channels, including premium content, and has exclusive rights over channels such as Canal+ and Zee TV. It has over 104,000 households subscribing to its services in Mauritius. The basic TV bundle starts at MUR 600 per month, with additional channel bundles (e.g., Cine and Series, Foot & Sport, Bollywood Pack, Kids Pack etc.) costing additional

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MUR 100 to MUR 425 per month. MC Vision also provides its subscribers with access to Netflix as from MUR 330 per month. Customers opting for all channels available are charged MUR 2,200 per month.

MyT: -Unlike MC Vision's satellite TV, MyT provides Internet Protocol TV (IPTV) which requires an internet connection for the content to be delivered to the user. MyT provides a free basic channel bundle (51 channels including 16 MBC channels) with every broadband subscription and has over 131,000 IPTV subscribers. Subscribers have the option to pay and add channel bundles. The monthly price of add-on channel bundles ranges from MUR 50 to MUR 499.

Parabole Maurice: -provides satellite TV with over 100 channels in Mauritius. It forms part of a regional group in the Indian Ocean, the Parabole Group, which provides satellite television to Mauritius, Réunion, Madagascar, Mayotte, and Comoros. The group has more than 10,000 customers in Mauritius and over 90,000 homes as its customers in all five territories. In Mauritius, subscribers can choose from 4 channel bundles ranging from MUR 500 per month (Candy pack- 42 channels) to MUR 1,645 per month (Smarty pack- 84 channels).

DStv: - provides direct broadcast satellite TV with a wide array of channels. Most of its subscribers are Hotels and non-francophone expats living in Mauritius. DStv offers 6 packages (Access, Family, Indian, Compact, Compact Plus and Premium) with monthly subscription fees varying from MUR 420 (Access- 68+ channels) to MUR 2,800 (Premium-140+ channels).

Almost every household in Mauritius has one or more television sets, granting them access to MBC channels. However, due to the limited content there has been an observed trend whereby more and more people opt for subscription-TV as their disposable income rises. As long as no new taxes are introduced, disposable income is expected to continue its growth and make subscription-TV affordable to more households. While decrease in number of customers for subscription-TV remain highly unlikely because of the habit-forming traits of the product, the rise of video on demand services (Netflix, Prime Video, Zee5, Hulu etc.) has the potential to significantly hamper growth of the subscription - TV market.

Prospects

Going forward, the prospects of Emtel will depend on its ability to sustain profitability, maintain & increase market share in the telecom market of Mauritius and general economic outlook. Effective working-capital management, improvement in capital structure & networth and timely execution of capex within stipulated cost is critical. The rating is sensitive to high dividend payout ratio and additional borrowing for capex impacting the networth and gearing.

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

Standalone Financial performance of Emtel

MUR Million

For the year ended as on	Dec-18 12M	Dec-19 12M	Dec-20 12M
Total Income	3,005	3,239	3,091
EBIDTA	1,151	1,378	1,419
Depreciation	559	688	632
Interest	55	101	132
PBT	551	624	651
PAT	418	477	552
Gross Cash Accruals (GCA)	977	1,165	1,184
Dividend paid/proposed	616	364	364
Equity share capital	152	152	152
Tangible networkth	967	1,067	1,242
Total debt	1,188	1,608	2,108
- Long term debt	529	1,163	1,721
- Short term debt	659	445	387
Total Debt (including Finance Lease)	1,188	2,336	2,768
Cash & Bank balances	73	81	184
Key Ratios			
EBIDTA / Total income	38.31	42.54	44.75
PAT / Total income	13.89	14.72	17.41
ROCE- operating (%)	25.39	23.36	18.80
RONW (%)	39.26	46.87	44.47
Interest coverage (EBIDTA/Interest)	20.97	13.63	10.79
Excluding impact of finance lease			
Long term debt equity ratio	0.55	1.09	1.39
Overall gearing ratio	1.23	1.51	1.70
Total Debt/Gross Cash accruals	1.22	1.38	1.78
Total Debt/EBIDTA	1.03	1.17	1.49
Including impact of finance lease #			
Long term debt equity ratio	0.55	1.77	1.92
Overall gearing ratio	1.23	2.19	2.23
Total Debt/Gross Cash accruals	1.22	2.01	2.34
Total Debt/EBIDTA	1.03	1.70	1.95
Current ratio	0.44	0.72	0.46
Turnover			
Average collection period (days)	23	23	18
Average inventory (days)	7	8	13
Average creditors (days)	13	15	23
Op. cycle (days)	17	15	8

Financial lease accounting was implemented by the company in FY19 (Jan-Dec 2019).

Adjustments

1. Tangible networkth is calculated by netting off revaluation reserve.
2. Gross Cash Accruals (GCA) is calculated as PAT + Depreciation + other non-cash expenditure.
3. EBIDTA includes exceptional item and admin solidarity levy tax on gross revenue.
4. Overall Gearing ratio is calculated as total debt (long term and short-term debt) / Tangible Networkth.

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Details of Existing Instrument

Existing Long-term Bond

Instrument	Amt. (MUR Million)	Repayment (MUR Million)
Long term Bond (Issued in June 2019)	MCB – 600 SBM - 400	5 th year – MCB – 300/SBM - 200 (June 2024) 7 th year – MCB – 300/SBM - 200 (June 2026)
Long term Bond – Tranche I (Issued in April 2020)	MCB – 600 ABC – 100	MCB - April 2023: 250 MCB - April 2025: 250 ABC - April 2025: 50
Long term Bond – Tranche II (Issued in January 2021)	MCB - 450	MCB - April 2028: 300 MCB - April 2030: 250 ABC - April 2030: 50

Purpose of bond issues of MUR 1,000 million and MUR 1,150 million

In June 2019, Emtel issued a Bond of MUR 1,000 million and utilized the proceeds for the refinancing of term loan of MUR 387.5 million, short term bank borrowings, and investment in capex.

In FY20, Emtel Ltd. acquired 90% stake in EM Vision Ltd. Accordingly, Emtel raised bonds worth MUR 700 million in April 2020 and the balance MUR 450 million was raised in January 2021, in line with payment timeline for the acquisition.

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