

Covered Bonds

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IFMR Capital



- IFMR Capital is an A+ / A1+ rated, non-deposit taking Non Bank
 Finance Company, focused on providing debt capital markets access to originators that affect financially excluded households and enterprises
- IFMR Capital has raised INR 80 billion (c.USD 1.4 bn) for its clients with a zero delinquency track record till date
- Balance sheet size and profitability grown significantly
- Completed over 150 rated capital market transactions with over 50 originators in the last 5 years
- Ratings upgrades on over 105 tranches of securitizations till date

- IFMR Capital works closely with originators that cater to financially excluded households and enterprises across the country.
 - These originators could meet varying needs of its clients, including working capital, enterprise funding, short term needs, housing requirements etc.
- Over the past 6 years, IFMR Capital has developed considerable competitive advantages in this space including:
 - Strong underwriting guidelines and entity selection criteria
 - Risk models to understand asset performance
 - High quality monitoring and surveillance team that monitors each and every credit multiple times a year
 - Deep relationships borne out of taking own exposure in each transaction
- Each investment decision is backed by strong underwriting capability. Each client of IFMR Capital is amongst the best in its class, capable of delivering strong, sustained performance
 - For this reason, <u>transactions structured and arranged by IFMR Capital have</u> <u>witnessed nil overdues</u> and significant rating upgrades since inception
- Currently, we cover the following asset classes microfinance, affordable housing finance, small business loans and commercial vehicle finance
- Our work has been supported by over 40 marquee investors
- Listed India's first Securitized debt instrument in the domestic stock exchange



Introduction

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What is it?

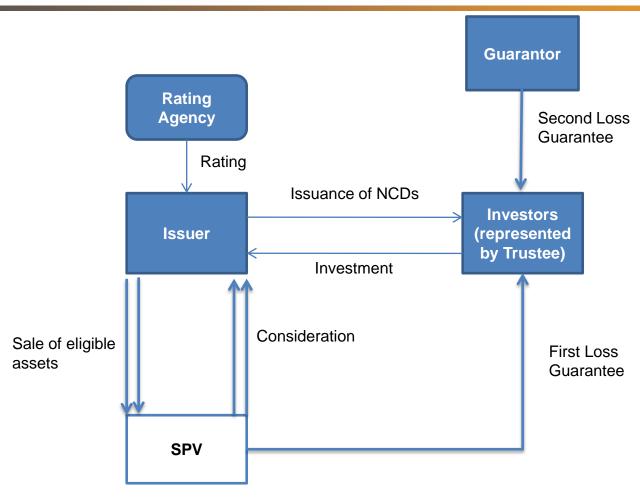
- A form of a secured bond that has access to a ring-fenced pool of assets that are bankruptcy remote of the issuer
- The assets could remain on the balance sheet of the issuer
 - Germany
 - Denmark
- The assets could be removed from the balance sheet of the issuer and housed in a special purpose vehicle
 - UK
- Rules around liquidity and interest rate risk
 - Could be match financed with no liquidity or interest rate risk
 - Alternatively, the bond has a different payoff period, assets in the SPV are replenished



How can the market evolve in India?

Possible Covered Bond Structure for India





Points to note:

- The SPV requires financing for the initial purchase of assets from the issuer. In the UK market, the financing is provided by the issuer itself
- If the assets are in the form of receivables, the sale may happen multiple times
- The SPV provides FLDG favoring the investors
- · A secondary SLDG could also be added for further rating enhancement

Issues



Bankruptcy law

 Ring-fencing of assets within the balance sheet of a borrower is difficult.

SPV Tax

 This is an uncertain subject. While clarity is emerging in bits and pieces, the market is today taking calls in every transaction involving SPVs

Stamp duty

 Stamp duty and registration costs are significant in case of transfer of immovable property. Treatment differs across states

Capital adequacy

 Significant work needs to be done with ICAI to work out the capital implications of covered bonds via the SPV route

Support

Clear incentives need to be created:

- Guidelines for credit enhanced bonds, add the benefit of partial guarantees
- Permission for insurance companies to invest



Scope

Market Scope



The market scope for such a product is tremendous

- Banks and corporates seeking to issue higher rated bonds in the international market
- Financial inclusion: lower rated corporates / NBFCs issuing higher rated bonds
- Possible investors this could appeal to a wider class of investors that need high quality assets
 - Insurance companies
 - Pension funds
 - AMCs



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