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AB Capital to raise ₹2K cr from Advent, Premji

Aditya Birla Capital on Thursday got board approval to raise ₹2,100 crore from private equity firms — Advent International, Premji Invest — and from its promoter entities, which will be used to pay debt of the company. The money will be raised by preferential allotment of equity shares to the marquee investors. “The equity capital will be raised at ₹100 per share, which is at a 10.62 per cent premium to the closing price of Aditya Birla Capital of ₹90.40 as of Sept-

ember 4,” the company said. US-based private equity firm Advent International via its affiliate Jomei Investment will put in ₹1,000 crore and India-based PE firm Premji Invest through its affiliate PI Opportunities Fund will invest ₹100 crore.

“Upon the completion of the issuance, Advent, through its affiliate, will hold 4.15 per cent of Aditya Birla Capital’s (ABCL’s) equity capital, while Premji Invest will have 4.11 per cent of ABCL’s equity capital,” the

firm said. Also, the promoter of ABCL, Grasim Industries will put in ₹770 crore and other promoter entities will also put in ₹230 crore in ABCL. After the transaction, the promoter and promoter group entities will hold 70.54 per cent in ABCL. ABCL has assets under management of over ₹3 trillion and has a loan book of ₹62,000 crore across its NBFC and HFC arms, while its insurance arm has gross written premium of around ₹8,000 crore. **SUBRATA PANDA**