

Press Release
K. Gauthaman



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Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	4.50	-	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Bank Loan Ratings	5.50	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	10.00	-	-
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuite has reaffirmed the long-term rating of '**ACUITE B+**' (read as **ACUITE B plus**) and short-term rating of '**ACUITE A4**' (read as **ACUITE A four**) on the Rs.10.00 crore bank facilities of K Gauthaman. The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

About the Company

Established in 1980, K Gauthaman is a Tamil Nadu-based proprietorship firm that undertakes civil work for the government through tender based contracts. The firm executes orders for government bodies such as Southern Railways, Steel Authority of India (SAIL) and National Highways Authority of India (NHAI). Mr. K. Gauthaman, the Proprietor, has more than three decades of experience in the aforementioned industry.

Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower:

Acuite has been requesting for data, information and undertakings from the rated entity for conducting surveillance & review of the rating. However, the issuer/borrower failed to submit such information before the due date.

This rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer not-cooperating", in line with prevailing SEBI regulations and Acuite's policies.

Limitation regarding information availability:

The rating is based on information available from sources other than the issuer/borrower (in the absence of information provided by the issuer/borrower). Acuite endeavored to gather information about the entity/industry from the public domain. Therefore, Acuite cautions lenders and investors regarding the use of such information, on which the indicative credit rating is based.

About the Rated Entity - Key Financials

The rated entity has not shared the latest financial statements despite repeated requests.

Rating Sensitivity

"No information provided by the issuer / available for Acuite to comment upon."

Material Covenants

Not Applicable

Liquidity Position

"No information provided by the issuer / available for Acuite to comment upon."

Outlook

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

Not Applicable

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

None

Any other information

Acuite is yet to receive the latest No Default Statement (NDS) from the rated entity, despite repeated requests and follow-ups.

Applicable Criteria

- Infrastructure Sector: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-51.htm>
- Default Recognition: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm>

Note on Complexity Levels of the Rated Instrument

<https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-55.htm>

Rating History

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
16 Feb 2021	Term Loan	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	4.50	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co-operating*)
11 Dec 2019	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB- (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE BB- (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	4.50	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co-operating*)
17 Sep 2018	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB- (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE BB- (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	4.50	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co-operating*)
20 Jul 2017	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB- Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE BB- Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	4.50	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed)

22 Mar 2016	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB- Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE BB- Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	4.50	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed)
17 Mar 2015	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB- Stable (Assigned)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE BB- Stable (Assigned)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	4.50	ACUITE A4 (Assigned)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited	Not Applicable	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	4.50	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited	Not Applicable	Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	5.00	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	0.50	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*

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