

### **Press Release**

#### Expovan

April 13, 2022



## Rating Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	40.00	ACUITE B+   Downgraded   Issuer not co-operating*	-
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	40.00	-	-
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-

### Rating Rationale

Acuité has downgraded the long-term rating to 'ACUITE B+' (read as ACUITE B plus) from 'ACUITE BB-' (read as ACUITE double B minus) on the Rs. 40.00 crore bank facilities of Expovan. The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

#### **About the Company**

Expovan was set up in 2015 by Mr R Mahendran as a partnership firm. Expovan is a 100% export-oriented unit and has set up a 22,000 square feet factory in Pollachi, Tamil Nadu for processing and exporting of natural Vanilla -- its beans, pods and powder.

### Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower:

Acuité 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 is, therefore, being flagged as "Issuer not-cooperating", in line with prevailing SEBI regulations and Acuité'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). Acuité endeavored to gather information about the entity/industry from the public domain. Therefore, Acuité 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 Acuité to comment upon.

#### Outlook

Not Applicable

# Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

None

## Any other information

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

## **Applicable Criteria**

• Manufacturing Entities: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.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 Istruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
06 Jan 2021	Packing Credit	Long Term	40.00	ACUITE BB- (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
14 Oct 2019	Packing Credit	Long Term	40.00	ACUITE BB (Issuer not co-operating*)
23 Jul 2018	Packing Credit	Long Term	40.00	ACUITE BB (Issuer not co-operating*)
09 May 2017	Packing Credit	Long Term	40.00	ACUITE BB   Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BB-   Stable)
22 Jun	Packing Credit	Long Term	25.00	ACUITE BB-   Stable (Assigned)
2016	Packing Credit	Short Term	25.00	ACUITE A4+ (Withdrawn)
15 Feb 2016	Packing Credit	Short Term	25.00	ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)

# Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
State Bank of India	Not Applicable	PC/PCFC	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	40.00	ACUITE B+   Downgraded   Issuer not co- operating*

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