

Press Release

Korangani Tea Company Private Limited (KTCPL)

June 28, 2019



Rating Update

Total Bank Facilities Rated*	Rs. 9.38 Cr. #
Long Term Rating	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*

Refer Annexure for details

* The issuer did not co-operate; Based on best available information.

Acuité has reviewed long-term rating of '**ACUITE B-**' (**read as ACUITE B minus**) on the Rs. 9.38 crore bank facilities of **Korangani Tea Company Private Limited** (KTCPL). This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information.

KTCPL was established in 1926 by Late Jadav Prasad Chaliha. Later, it was incorporated in 1999 as Private Limited by Mr. Ranjit Chaliha, Mr. Debjit Chaliha, Mrs. Anchala Chaliha and Mr. Dhrubajit Chaliha as Korangani Tea Company Private Limited. The company is engaged in cultivation and manufacturing of tea. Korangani products were launched in North-East India through its distribution unit, DKD Marketing. Korangani Tea is now available in most parts of eastern India in retail stores such as Big Bazaar.

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 due date.

This rating is therefore being flagged as "Issuer not-cooperating", in line with prevailing SEBI regulations and Acuité's policies.

Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition - <https://www.acuite.in/criteria-default.htm>
- Trading Entities - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-6.htm>
- Manufacturing Entities- <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-4.htm>

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 endeavoured 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 attempts.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA (if applicable)

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.

Rating History (Upto last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr.)	Ratings/Outlook
20-Apr-2018	Tea Hypothecation	Long Term	5.50	ACUITE B-/Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	0.14	ACUITE B-/Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	3.00	ACUITE B-/Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.15	ACUITE B-/Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Proposed	Long Term	0.59	ACUITE B-/Stable (Reaffirmed)
14-Mar-17	Tea Hypothecation	Long Term	5.50	ACUITE B-/Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	0.14	ACUITE B-/Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	3.00	ACUITE B-/Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.15	ACUITE B-/Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Proposed	Long Term	0.59	ACUITE B-/Stable (Assigned)
15-Dec-15	Tea Hypothecation	Long Term	5.94	ACUITE B-/Stable (Assigned)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	0.26	ACUITE B-/Stable (Assigned)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	3.00	ACUITE B-/Stable (Assigned)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.18	ACUITE B-/Stable (Assigned)

#Annexure – Details of instruments rated

Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. Cr.)	Ratings
Tea Hypothecation	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	5.50	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*
Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.14	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*
Working Capital Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	3.00	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*
Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.15	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*
Proposed	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.59	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*

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