



Press Release
ARASU JEWELS

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Rating Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating

| Product | Quantum (Rs. Cr) | Long Term Rating | Short Term Rating |
|---|------------------|---|-------------------|
| Bank Loan Ratings | 11.25 | ACUITE B- Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* | - |
| Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr) | 11.25 | - | - |
| Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr) | 0.00 | - | - |
| * The issuer did not co-operate; based on best available information. | | | |

Rating Rationale

Acuite has downgraded the long-term rating to ‘ACUITE B-’ (read as ACUITE B minus) from ‘ACUITE B’ (read as ACUITE B) on the Rs. 11.25 crore bank facilities of Arasu Jewels on account of information risk. The rating continues to be flagged as “Issuer Not-Cooperating” and is based on the best available information.

About the Company

Arasu Jewels, incorporated in 2009, is a Chennai-based company promoted by Mr. Vamsikrishna Veluru and Mr. Aallan Paul. It is engaged in the trading of agro based and sea food products.

Unsupported Rating

Not Applicable

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. Acuite believes that information risk is a critical component in such ratings, and non-cooperation by the issuer along with unwillingness to provide information could be a sign of potential deterioration in its overall credit quality.

This rating is, therefore, being 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.

Rating Sensitivity

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

Liquidity Position

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

Outlook

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

None

Key Financials

| Particulars | Unit | FY 17 (Provisional) | FY 16 (Actual) |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------------------|----------------|
| Operating Income | Rs. Cr. | 58.57 | 53.29 |
| PAT | Rs. Cr. | 0.95 | 0.98 |
| PAT Margin | (%) | 1.62 | 1.85 |
| Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth | Times | 0.90 | 0.55 |
| PBDIT/Interest | Times | 1.87 | 1.52 |

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

Not Applicable

Any other information

None

Applicable Criteria

- Trading Entities: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-61.htm>
- Default Recognition: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm>
- Application Of Financial Ratios And Adjustments: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.htm>

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument

In order to inform the investors about complexity of instruments, Acuite has categorized such instruments in three levels: Simple, Complex and Highly Complex. Acuite's categorisation of the instruments across the three categories is based on factors like variability of the returns to the investors, uncertainty in cash flow patterns, number of counterparties and general understanding of the instrument by the market. It has to be understood that complexity is different from credit risk and even an instrument categorized as 'Simple' can carry high levels of risk. For more details, please refer Rating Criteria "Complexity Level Of Financial Instruments" on www.acuite.in.

Rating History

| Date | Name of Instruments/Facilities | Term | Amount (Rs. Cr) | Rating/Outlook |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|--|
| 20 Oct 2023 | Cash Credit | Long Term | 7.00 | ACUITE B (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
| | Secured Overdraft | Long Term | 4.25 | ACUITE B (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
| 25 Jul 2022 | Cash Credit | Long Term | 7.00 | ACUITE B (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
| | Secured Overdraft | Long Term | 4.25 | ACUITE B (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |

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Annexure - Details of instruments rated

| Lender's Name | ISIN | Facilities | Date Of Issuance | Coupon Rate | Maturity Date | Quantum (Rs. Cr.) | Complexity Level | Rating |
|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--|
| Punjab National Bank | Not avl. / Not appl. | Cash Credit | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | 7.00 | Simple | ACUITE B- Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE B) |
| Axis Bank | Not avl. / Not appl. | Secured Overdraft | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | 4.25 | Simple | ACUITE B- Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE B) |

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