

Press Release

Armstrong (India) Construction

July 15, 2022



Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating		
Bank Loan Ratings	18.00	-	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*		
Bank Loan Ratings	7.00	ACUITE B Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-		
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	25.00	-	-		
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-		

Rating Rationale

Acuité has reaffirmed the long-term rating of 'ACUITE B' (read as ACUITE B) and the short-term rating of 'ACUITE A4' (read as ACUITE A Four) on the Rs. 25.00 crore bank facilities of Armstrong (India) Constriction (AIC). The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

About the Company

Mumbai based Armstrong (India) Construction is a proprietorship concern, promoted by Mr. Raju Solanki. The firm was established in the year 1994. The firm primarily operates as a civil contractor for the contractor for the construction of roads, storm water drainage, sewerage projects and buildings. The firm caters to government entities like the BMC (Brihanmumbai Mahanagar Corporation) which is Mumbai's city municipal corporation. AIC is a registered class 1-A contractor with PWD and AA grade contractor with BMC.

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.

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

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

Not Applicable

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

- 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 Apr 2021	Cash Credit	Long Term	7.00	ACUITE B (Issuer not co- operating*)	
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	17.00	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co- operating*)	
	Proposed Bank Facility	Short Term	1.00	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co- operating*)	
15 Jan 2020	Cash Credit	Long Term	7.00	ACUITE B (Issuer not co- operating*)	
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	17.00	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co- operating*)	
	Proposed Bank Facility	Short Term	1.00	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co- operating*)	
	Cash Credit	Long Term	7.00	ACUITE B+ Stable (Reaffirmed)	
14 Nov 2018	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	17.00	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed)	
	Proposed Bank Facility	Short Term	1.00	ACUITE A4 (Assigned)	
22 Sep	22 Sep Cash Credit Long Term 2.00		ACUITE B+ (Issuer not co- operating*)		

2017	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	8.00	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co- operating*)		
27 Jun	Cash Credit	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE B+ Stable (Assigned)		
2016	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	8.00	ACUITE A4 (Assigned)		

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Bank of Maharashtra	Not Applicable	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	17.00	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
Bank of Maharashtra	Not Applicable	Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	7.00	ACUITE B Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Proposed Short Term Bank Facility		Not Applicable	Not Applicable	1.00	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*

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