

## Press Release

### Forest Press Machineries Private Limited

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### Rating Update



<b>Total Bank Facilities Rated*</b>	Rs. 18.00 Cr.#
<b>Long Term Rating</b>	ACUITE B Issuer not co-operating*
<b>Short Term Rating</b>	ACUITE A4 Issuer not co-operating*

\*Refer Annexure for details

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

Acuite has reviewed the long-term rating of '**ACUITE B**' (read as **ACUITE B**) and short-term rating of '**ACUITE A4**' (read as **ACUITE A four**) on the Rs.18.00 Cr bank facilities of Forest Press Machineries Private Limited (FPMPL). The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

FPMPL was incorporated in 2015 by Mr. Manoj Kumar Pillai (MD, Hess India) and Mr. Peter Bullock (Chairman, Forest Press Hydraulics, UK). The company is engaged in the assembling, testing and selling of industrial machinery used in the production of building materials for construction and infrastructure industries. FPMPL specialises in wet-press and wet-cast technology in the Indian market. The manufacturing unit is located at Bommasandra in Bangalore (Karnataka).

#### 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.

#### Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm>
- Infrastructure Entities- <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-51.htm>
- Financial Ratios and Adjustments- <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.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). 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.

#### Liquidity Indicators

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

#### Rating Sensitivity

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

## About the Rated Entity - Key Financials

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

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

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.

## Rating History (Up to last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Ratings/Outlook
17-July-2020	Cash Credit	Long term	2.00	ACUITE B (Downgraded from ACUITE BB-) Issuer not cooperating*
	Term Loan	Long term	13.25	ACUITE B (Downgraded from ACUITE BB-) Issuer not cooperating*
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	0.55	ACUITE A4 Issuer not co-operating*
	Proposed Packing Credit	Short Term	2.20	ACUITE A4 Issuer not co-operating*
27-Feb-2020	Cash Credit	Long term	2.00	ACUITE BB- Issuer not co-operating*
	Term Loan	Long term	13.25	ACUITE BB- Issuer not co-operating*
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	0.55	ACUITE A4 Issuer not co-operating*
	Proposed Packing Credit	Short Term	2.20	ACUITE A4 Issuer not co-operating*
27-Dec-2018	Cash Credit	Long term	2.00	ACUITE BB- Issuer not co-operating*
	Term Loan	Long term	13.25	ACUITE BB- Issuer not co-operating*
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	0.55	ACUITE A4 Issuer not co-operating*
	Proposed Packing Credit	Short Term	2.20	ACUITE A4 Issuer not co-operating*

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

**\*Annexure – Details of instruments rated**

Lender Name	Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. Crore)	Ratings/Outlook
State Bank of India	Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	2.00	ACUITE B Issuer not co-operating*
State Bank of India	Term Loan	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	13.25	ACUITE B Issuer not co-operating*
State Bank of India	Bank Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.55	ACUITE A4 Issuer not co-operating*
Not Applicable	Proposed Packing Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	2.20	ACUITE A4 Issuer not co-operating*

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