

Press Release

Western India Media Private Limited (WIMPL)

March 20, 2020

Rating Update



Total Bank Facilities Rated*	Rs. 6.50 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.

Acuite has reviewed the long term rating of '**ACUITE B-**' (read as **ACUITE B minus**) on the Rs.6.50 crore bank facilities of Western India Media Private Limited (WIMPL). This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information.

WIMPL, incorporated in 2011 is a Surat-based publisher and distributor of 'Gujarat Guardian', a Gujarati daily. The company is headed by Mr. Manoj Mistry, Director.

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 due date.

This rating continues to be 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-17.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). 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.

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
04 Feb, 2019	Cash Credit	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*
	Term loan	Long Term	4.50	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*
13 Dec, 2017	Cash Credit	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*

	Term loan	Long Term	4.50	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*
12 Aug,2016	Cash Credit	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE B- (Assigned)
	Term loan	Long Term	4.50	ACUITE B- (Assigned)

#Annexure – Details of instruments rated

Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. Crore)	Ratings/Outlook
Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	2.00	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*
Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	4.50	ACUITE B- Issuer not co-operating*

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