

Press Release

SAB Media Networks Private Limited

August 22, 2022



Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	100.00	ACUITED Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	100.00	-	-
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuité has reaffirmed the long-term rating of 'ACUITE D' (read as ACUITE D) on the Rs.100.00 Cr bank facilities of Sab Media Networks Private Limited (SMNPL). The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

About the Company

The Mumbai-based, SMNPL was incorporated in 2014 for broadcasting the channel 'Dhamaal Plus' under the group Sri Adhikari Brothers Television Network (SAB TN). SMNPL was promoted by Mr. Gautam Adhikari and Mr. Markand Adhikari promoters of SAB TN. The channel telecasts programmes in Hindi (old and new content).

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

• Service Sector: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-50.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
24 May 2021	Term Loan	Long Term	100.00	ACUITE D (Issuer not co-operating*)
02 Mar 2020	Term Loan	Long Term	100.00	ACUITE D (Issuer not co-operating*)
02 Jan 2019	Term Loan	Long Term	100.00	ACUITE D (Issuer not co-operating*)
07 Nov 2017	Term Loan	Long Term	100.00	ACUITE D (Downgraded from ACUITE BB- Stable)
17 Aug 2016	Term Loan	Long Term	100.00	ACUITE BB- Stable (Assigned)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Union Bank of India	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	100.00	ACUITE D Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*

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