

## Press Release

### Kalpatharu Liquor Distributors

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### Rating Update



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| <b>Total Bank Facilities Rated</b> | Rs. 14.00 Cr. #                       |
| <b>Long Term Rating</b>            | ACUITE B+<br>Issuer not co-operating* |

# Refer Annexure for details

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

### Rating Rationale

Acuité has reviewed the long term rating of '**ACUITE B+**' (read as **ACUITE B plus**) to the Rs. 14.00 crore bank facilities of Kalpatharu Liquor Distributors (KLD). This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information

KLD was started by Mr. S. Kantappa and family in 2007 as a sole distributor for Indian Made Foreign Liquor (IMFL) brands of Tilak Nagar Industries Limited (TNIL) in Karnataka. The management of KLD has experience for almost a decade in the given line of business. TNIL is a leading manufacturer of liquor in South India and the major categories are whisky, brandy, rum, vodka and Gin. The firm looks after the excise duty and other payments towards KSBCCL (Karnataka State Beverages Corporation Limited) on behalf of TNIL. The firm markets the liquor products in Karnataka, Kerala and Andaman. The day to day operations of the firm is managed by Mr. Lingaraj who is well supported by experienced and qualified professionals.

#### 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 due date.

This rating is therefore being flagged as "Issuer not-cooperating", in line with prevailing SEBI regulations and Acuité's policies.

#### Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition - <https://www.acuite.in/criteria-default.htm>
- Manufacturing Entities - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-4.htm>
- Financial Ratios And Adjustments - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-20.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). Acuité endeavoured 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.

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

None

#### Any other information

Acuité is yet to receive the latest No Default Statement (NDS) from the rated entity, despite repeated requests and follow-ups.

### Rating History (Upto last three years)

| Date        | Name of Instrument / Facilities | Term      | Amount (Rs. Cr.) | Ratings/Outlook                |
|-------------|---------------------------------|-----------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| 31-Jan-2018 | Cash Credit                     | Long Term | 14.00            | ACUITE B+/ Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| 25-Nov-2016 | Cash Credit                     | Long Term | 14.00            | ACUITE B+/ Stable (Assigned)   |

### #Annexure – Details of instruments rated

| Name of the Facilities | Date of Issuance | Coupon Rate    | Maturity Date  | Size of the Issue (Rs. Cr.) | Ratings                            |
|------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Cash Credit            | Not Applicable   | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | 14.00                       | ACUITE B+ Issuer not co-operating* |

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