

Press Release
Vijeta Beverage Private Limited
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Rating Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	89.95	ACUITE BB+ Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*	-
Bank Loan Ratings	0.05	-	ACUITE A4+ Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	90.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuite has downgraded the long-term rating to '**ACUITE BB+**' (read as **ACUITE double B plus**) from '**ACUITE BBB+**' (read as **ACUITE triple B plus**) and short-term rating to '**ACUITE A4+**' (read as **ACUITE A four plus**) from '**ACUITE A2**' (read as **ACUITE A two**) on the Rs.90.00 Cr. bank facilities of VIJETA BEVERAGES PRIVATE LIMITED(VBPL). The rating is now flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is downgraded on account of information risk.

About the Company

VBPL was incorporated in 2004 and was acquired by the Malhotra group in 2012. VBPL is engaged in trading of IMFL through approximately 590 vends in FY23

About the Group

About the Group Oasis Group (OG) is promoted by the Malhotra Family and has an operational track record of over five decades in the liquor industry. The Group currently owns five distillation units and 3 Bottling Plants situated in Punjab, Haryana, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Chandigarh, with a collective grain spirit production of more than 22.10 Crore liters per annum. The Group is also engaged in the retail trading business of liquor through Government contract route, by submitting tenders in the State of Punjab, Haryana and U.T. Chandigarh. At present, it owns about 600 retail vends in Punjab. The group's core business strength lies in the business of alcohol production, manufacturing and marketing of grain based IMFL. It is one of the largest retailers of liquor in the state of Punjab. Three plants owned by the group have their in-house power generation units and the group also markets DDGS (Dried Distilled Grain Soluble) for the cattle industry and harnesses Carbon-di-Oxide for industrial uses. DDGS and Carbon-di-Oxide are byproducts of the ENA manufacturing and distillation process. The Oasis group commenced its operations in 1980`s under the lead of Mr. Deep Malhotra and his family and thus the group boasts a long track record of operations of four decades in the Alcohol manufacturing and trading industry. Currently, the day-to-day operations of the group are managed by Mr. Gautam Malhotra, Miss Dimpy Malhotra and Mr. Gaurav Malhotra

Unsupported Rating

Not applicable.

Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower

Acuite has been requesting for No Default Statements (NDS); however, despite multiple requests; the Company's management has remained non-cooperative and not submitted the NDS. Acuite believes that information risk is a critical component in such ratings, and

noncooperation 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 Acuité's policies.

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.

Rating Sensitivities

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

Liquidity Position

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

Outlook

Not applicable.

Other Factors affecting Rating

None.

Key Financials

Particulars	Unit	FY 22 (Actual)	FY 21 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	2134.97	1763.77
PAT	Rs. Cr.	81.92	56.17
PAT Margin	(%)	3.84	3.18
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	1.07	0.88
PBDIT/Interest	Times	5.17	3.74

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

Not Applicable

Any other information

None.

Applicable Criteria

- Application Of Financial Ratios And Adjustments: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.htm>
- Consolidation Of Companies: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-60.htm>
- Default Recognition: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm>
- Manufacturing Entities: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.htm>

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Rating History

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
26 Apr 2023	Cash Credit	Long Term	89.95	ACUITE BBB+ Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	0.05	ACUITE A2 (Reaffirmed)
21 Jul 2022	Cash Credit	Long Term	89.95	ACUITE BBB+ Positive (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	0.05	ACUITE A2 (Reaffirmed)
14 Feb 2022	Cash Credit	Long Term	89.95	ACUITE BBB+ Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	0.05	ACUITE A2 (Reaffirmed)
24 Sep 2021	Cash Credit	Long Term	89.95	ACUITE BBB+ Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	0.05	ACUITE A2 (Reaffirmed)
06 Sep 2021	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	0.05	ACUITE A2 (Upgraded from ACUITE A3+)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	89.95	ACUITE BBB+ Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BBB Stable)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Complexity Level	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
State Bank of India	Not avl. / Not appl.	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	0.05	ACUITE A4+ Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE A2)
State Bank of India	Not avl. / Not appl.	Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	89.95	ACUITE BB+ Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE BBB+)

*Annexure 2 - List of Entities (applicable for Consolidation or Parent / Group / Govt. Support)

- Oasis Distilleries Limited (ODL)
- Malbros International Private Limited (MIPL)
- Oasis Commercial Private Limited (OCPL)
- Oasis Overseas Exports Private Limited (OOEPL)
- Vijeta Beverages Private Limited (VBPL)
- Om Sons Marketing Private Limited (OSMPL)
- Oasis Ethanol Industries Private Limited (OEIPL)

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