

#### **Press Release**

# VIJETA BEVERAGES PRIVATE LIMITED July 02, 2025

## Rating Downgraded, Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	oduct Quantum (Rs. Cr)		Short Term Rating			
Bank Loan Ratings 89.9		ACUITE BB   Downgraded   Issuer not co-operating*	-			
Bank Loan Ratings	0.05	-	ACUITE A4+   Reaffirmed   Issuer not co-operating*			
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	90.00	-	-			
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-			
* The issuer did not co-operate; based on best available information.						

#### **Rating Rationale**

Acuité has downgraded the long-term rating to 'ACUITE BB' (read as ACUITE double Bf)rom 'ACUITE BB+' (read as ACUITE double B plus) and reaffirmed the short term rating of 'ACUITE A4+' (read as ACUITE A four plus) on the Rs.90.00 Cr. bank facilities of Vijeta Beverages Private Limited (VBPL) on account of information risk. The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

#### **About the Company**

Vijeta Beverages Private Limited 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 in Jaipur. The directors of the company are Mr. Erawat Singh and Mr. Ravinder Nath.

#### **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:

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 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 Acuité's policies.

#### Limitation regarding information availability

This rating is based on information available from sources other than the issuer / borrower (in the absence of information provided by the issuer / borrower). Acuite endeavoured to gather information about the entity/industry from the public domain. Any rating with the suffix 'Issuer not cooperating' is assigned without any management interaction with the issuer entity or any data / information from the entity. Sometimes this non co-operation by a rated entity may be due to a result of deterioration in the credit risk profile of the entity. Therefore, Acuité cautions lenders and investors regarding the use of such information, on which the indicative credit rating is based.

#### **Rating Sensitivity**

"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**

<b>Particulars</b>	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

- Manufacturing Entities: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.htm
- Default Recognition: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm
- 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

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# **Rating History**

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook	
06 Apr 2024	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	0.05	ACUITE A4+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE A2)	
	Cash Credit	Long Term	89.95	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BBB+   Stable)	
26 Apr 2023	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	0.05	ACUITE A2 (Reaffirmed)	
	Cash Credit	Long Term	89.95	ACUITE BBB+   Stable (Reaffirmed (Positive to Stable))	
21 Jul 2022	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	0.05	ACUITE A2 (Reaffirmed)	
	Cash Credit	Long Term	89.95	ACUITE BBB+   Positive (Reaffirmed (Stable to Positive))	
14 Feb 2022	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	0.05	ACUITE A2 (Reaffirmed)	
	Cash Credit	Long Term	89.95	ACUITE BBB+   Stable (Reaffirmed)	

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

## Annexure - Details of instruments rated

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

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