

Press Release

MICROBIOLOGICAL LABORATORY

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Rating Update

Total Bank Facilities Rated	Rs. 6.75 Cr.#
Long Term Rating	SMERA BB+ Issuer not co-operating*

Refer Annexure for details

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

SMERA has reviewed the long-term rating of '**SMERA BB+**' (**read as SMERA double B plus**) on the Rs. 6.75crore bank facilities of Microbiological Laboratory (MBL). This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information.

Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower

SMERA 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 required documents before due date.

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

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

Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition-<https://www.smerra.in/criteria-default.htm>
- Entities In Services Sector -<https://www.smerra.in/criteria-services.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). SMERA endeavoured to gather information about the entity/industry from the public domain. Therefore, SMERA cautions lenders and investors regarding the use of such information on which the indicative credit rating is based.

About the rated entity

Established in 1977, MBL is a proprietorship concern headed by Mr. M. Mani. It provides a wide range of laboratory investigation services necessary for patient care in the discipline of biochemistry, clinical pathology, haematology, immunology, microbiology among other. With its head office in Coimbatore, it has around 20 branches and 62 collection centers in the states of Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Kerala.

For FY2016, MBL reported Profit After Tax (PAT) of Rs.1.44 crore on total operating income of Rs.25.39 crore, as compared with PAT of Rs.1.18 crore on total operating income of Rs.22.68 crore in FY2015. The tangible net worth stands at Rs.10.64 crore in FY2016 as compared to Rs.8.57 crore in FY2015.

Rating history (last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Crore)	Ratings/Outlook
14-Feb-2017	Term Loans	Long Term	5.85	SMERA BB+/Stable (Assigned)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	0.90	SMERA BB+/Stable (Assigned)

#Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. Crore)	Ratings
Term Loans	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	5.85	SMERA BB+ Issuer not co-operating*
Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.90	SMERA BB+ Issuer not co-operating*

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