

## Press Release

### Vishvaraj Infrastructure Limited

September 30, 2019



#### Rating Update

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| <b>Total Bank Facilities Rated*</b> | Rs. 214.60 Cr. #                            |
| <b>Long Term Rating</b>             | ACUITE BBB-(CE)<br>Issuer not co-operating* |
| <b>Short Term Rating</b>            | ACUITE A3 (CE)<br>Issuer not co-operating*  |

The SO suffix is due to earmarked and unencumbered fixed deposit of Rs. 13.50 crore maintained for debt servicing of VIL

#Refer Annexure for details

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

Acuité has reviewed the long-term rating of '**ACUITE BBB- (CE)**' (read as ACUITE triple B minus Credit Enhancement) and the short-term rating of '**ACUITE A3 (CE)**' (read as ACUITE A3 Credit Enhancement) on the Rs. 214.60 crore bank facilities of Vishvaraj Infrastructure Limited. This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information.

VIL, a flagship company of the Vishwaraj Group, was incorporated in 1992 as Vishvaraj Housing Company Private Limited (VHCPL). During 1999, VHCPL was acquired by Mr. Arun Lakhani and Mrs. Vandana Lakhani and reconstituted as a closely held public limited company in 2000. VIL is headquartered at Nagpur with its registered office in Mumbai, Maharashtra. VIL invests in Public Private Partnership (PPP) infrastructure projects and is also engaged in Execution, Procuring and Construction (EPC) work for the same projects. VIL primarily executes infrastructure development projects in three segments i.e. water, waste water management and road and highways procured by the Vishvaraj Group of companies. VIL has 15 subsidiaries out of which seven are operational.

#### 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 continues to be flagged as "Issuer not-cooperating", in line with prevailing SEBI regulations and Acuité's policies.

#### Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-17.htm>
- Manufacturing Entities - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-4.htm>
- Entities in the infrastructure sector - <http://acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-14.htm>
- Criteria for assigning ratings with 'CE' suffix - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-49.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 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.

#### 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 (Up to last three years)

| Date           | Name of Instrument / Facilities | Term       | Amount (Rs. Cr) | Ratings/Outlook                             |
|----------------|---------------------------------|------------|-----------------|---|
| 12 July, 2018  | Cash Credit                     | Long Term  | 33.00           | ACUITE BBB-(SO)<br>Issuer not co-operating* |
|                | Term Loan                       | Long Term  | 98.00           | ACUITE BBB-(SO)<br>Issuer not co-operating* |
|                | Working Capital Demand Loan     | Long Term  | 8.60            | ACUITE BBB-(SO)<br>Issuer not co-operating* |
|                | Bank Guarantee                  | Short Term | 75.00           | ACUITE A3(SO)<br>Issuer not co-operating*   |
| 21 April, 2017 | Cash Credit                     | Long Term  | 33.00           | ACUITE BBB- (SO)/Stable (Assigned)          |
|                | Term Loan                       | Long Term  | 98.00           | ACUITE BBB- (SO)/Stable (Assigned)          |
|                | Working Capital Demand Loan     | Long Term  | 8.60            | ACUITE BBB- (SO)/Stable (Assigned)          |
|                | Bank Guarantee                  | Short Term | 75.00           | ACUITE A3(SO)/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/Outlook                             |
|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Cash Credit                 | Not Applicable   | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | 33.00                         | ACUITE BBB-(CE)<br>Issuer not co-operating* |
| Term Loan                   | Not Applicable   | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | 98.00                         | ACUITE BBB-(CE)<br>Issuer not co-operating* |
| Working Capital Demand Loan | Not Applicable   | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | 8.60                          | ACUITE BBB-(CE)<br>Issuer not co-operating* |
| Bank Guarantee              | Not Applicable   | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | 75.00                         | ACUITE A3(CE)<br>Issuer not co-operating*   |

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