

Press Release

Vishvaraj Infrastructure Limited

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Rating Update



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

Acuite 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 Vishwaraj Group of companies. VIL has 15 subsidiaries out of which seven are operational.

Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower:

Acuite 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 Acuite'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). Acuite endeavored to gather information about the entity / industry from the public domain. Therefore, Acuite 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

Acuite 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) Issuer not co-operating*
	Term Loan	Long Term	98.00	ACUITE BBB-(SO) Issuer not co-operating*
	Working Capital Demand Loan	Long Term	8.60	ACUITE BBB-(SO) Issuer not co-operating*
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	75.00	ACUITE A3(SO) 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) Issuer not co-operating*
Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	98.00	ACUITE BBB-(CE) Issuer not co-operating*
Working Capital Demand Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	8.60	ACUITE BBB-(CE) Issuer not co-operating*
Bank Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	75.00	ACUITE A3(CE) Issuer not co-operating*

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