

Press Release

Vardhman Rice and General Mills

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Rating Update

Total Bank Facilities Rated*	Rs.10.00 Cr.#
Long Term Rating	ACUITE B+ Issuer not co-operating*

#Refer Annexure for details

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

Acuité has reviewed the long-term rating of '**ACUITE B+**' (**read as ACUITE B plus**) on the Rs.10.00 crore bank facilities of Vardhman Rice and General Mills (VRGM). This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information.

VRGM, established in 2001, was later converted into a partnership firm in 2014. The company is engaged in the milling and processing of basmati rice under the brand name 'Life OK' at Jind, Haryana. The processing capacity stood at 720 metric tonnes per month. The company sells its products (rice, rice bran, broken rice) in Haryana, Delhi, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh.

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>
- Trading Entities- <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-6.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 endeavoured 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 attempts.

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 (Upto last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Ratings/Outlook
15-Jun-2018	Cash Credit	Long term	7.00	ACUITE B+ Issuer not co-operating*
	Inventory Funding	Long term	3.00	ACUITE B+ Issuer not co-operating*
26-Apr-2017	Cash Credit	Long term	7.00	ACUITE B+/Stable (Assigned)
	Inventory Funding	Long term	3.00	ACUITE B+/Stable (Assigned)

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#Annexure – Details of instruments rated

Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. Cr.)	Ratings/Outlook
Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	7.00	ACUITE B+ Issuer not co-operating*
Inventory Funding	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	3.00	ACUITE B+ Issuer not co-operating*

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