

Press Release

B Ghose & Company Private Limited

May 04, 2023



Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	9.50	ACUITE BB- Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Bank Loan Ratings	0.50	-	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	10.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuité has Reaffirmed the long term rating to '**ACUITE BB-**' (read as **ACUITE double B minus**) and the short-term rating of '**ACUITE A4+**' (read as **ACUITE A four plus**) on the Rs.10.00 crore bank facilities of B Ghose And CO Private Limited (BGPL). The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on best available information.

About the Company

B Ghose And CO Private Limited (BGPL) was established in 1956 as a proprietorship firm, which was later reconstituted as a private limited company in 1970. B Ghose And CO Private Limited (BGPL) is primarily engaged in stevedoring activities apart from being one of the largest handler of breakbulk cargo. The operations are mainly confined to Kolkata port with minor activities in Haldia port. Currently, the business is managed by Mr. Sharad Varma and Mrs. Mallika Varma.

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 noncooperation by the issuer along with an 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:

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Rating Sensitivity

"No information provided by the issuer/ available for Acuite to comment upon."

Material Covenants

Not Applicable

Liquidity Position

No information provided by the issuer / available for Acuite to comment upon.

Outlook

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

Not Applicable

Key Financials

Particulars	Unit	FY 22 (Actual)	FY 21 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	32.81	35.61
PAT	Rs. Cr.	0.82	0.66
PAT Margin	(%)	2.50	1.84
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	1.10	0.85
PBDIT/Interest	Times	1.37	1.53

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

Not Applicable

Any other information

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

Applicable Criteria

- Service Sector: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-50.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>

Note on Complexity Levels of the Rated Instrument

In order to inform the investors about complexity of instruments, Acuité has categorized such instruments in three levels: Simple, Complex and Highly Complex. Acuite's categorisation of the instruments across the three categories is based on factors like variability of the returns to the investors, uncertainty in cash flow patterns, number of counterparties and general understanding of the instrument by the market. It has to be understood that complexity is different from credit risk and even an instrument categorized as 'Simple' can carry high levels of risk. For more details, please refer Rating Criteria "Complexity Level Of Financial Instruments" on www.acuite.in.

Rating History

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
04 Feb 2022	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	0.50	ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	9.50	ACUITE BB- (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
09 Nov 2020	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	0.50	ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	9.50	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Complexity Level	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
ICICI Bank Ltd	Not Applicable	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	0.50	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
ICICI Bank Ltd	Not Applicable	Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	9.50	ACUITE BB- Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*

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