



Press Release
Visalaandhra Vignana Samithi
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Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	14.81	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Bank Loan Ratings	1.20	-	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	16.01	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuité has reaffirmed the long-term rating of '**ACUITE B+**' (read as **ACUITE B plus**) and short term rating of '**ACUITE A4**' (read as **ACUITE A four**) on the Rs. 16.01 crore bank facilities of Visalaandhra Vignana Samithi. The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

About the Company

Visalaandhra Vignana Samithi is a Vijayawada (Andhra Pradesh) based society established in 1956. Visalaandhra Vignana Samithi is engaged in the circulation of Telugu daily newspaper under the name of 'Visalandhra' with circulation majorly in the state of Andhra Pradesh, and minor presence in Telangana. It is also engaged in sale of books and printing services for Government bodies and private publishers. Mr. Mr P. Harinatha Reddy is the General Manager who looks after day to day operations of the society.

Unsupported Rating

Not Applicable

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 non-cooperation by the issuer along with 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:

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.

Rating Sensitivity

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

Liquidity Position

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

Outlook

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

None

Key Financials

Particulars	Unit	FY 20 (Actual)	FY 19 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	42.73	35.21
PAT	Rs. Cr.	1.10	0.40
PAT Margin	(%)	2.57	0.97
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	1.42	1.29
PBDIT/Interest	Times	2.54	1.89

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

Not Applicable

Any other information

None

Applicable Criteria

- Manufacturing Entities: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.htm>
- 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, Acuite 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
28 Nov 2022	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	1.10	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	1.20	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	2.24	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	2.48	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Secured Overdraft	Long Term	8.50	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	0.49	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
13 Sep 2021	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	2.24	ACUITE BB- Stable (Assigned)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	1.10	ACUITE BB- Stable (Assigned)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	1.20	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	0.49	ACUITE BB- Stable (Assigned)
	Term Loan	Long Term	2.48	ACUITE BB- Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Secured Overdraft	Long Term	8.50	ACUITE BB- Stable (Reaffirmed)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Complexity Level	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Indian Bank	Not avl. / Not appl.	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	1.20	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Indian Bank	Not avl. / Not appl.	Secured Overdraft	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	8.50	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Indian Bank	Not avl. / Not appl.	Term Loan	19 Jan 2018	Not avl. / Not appl.	19 Jul 2025	Simple	2.48	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Indian Bank	Not avl. / Not appl.	Working Capital Term Loan	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	2.24	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Indian Bank	Not avl. / Not appl.	Working Capital Term Loan	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	1.10	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Indian Bank	Not avl. / Not appl.	Working Capital Term Loan	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	0.49	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*

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