

Press Release B S Apparel May 17, 2022



Rating Downgraded, Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating		
Bank Loan Ratings	26.00	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*	-		
Bank Loan Ratings	8.00	-	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*		
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	34.00	-	-		
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-		

Rating Rationale

Acuité has downgraded the long-term rating to 'ACUITE BB-' (read as ACUITE double B minus) from 'ACUITE BB' (read as ACUITE double B) and reaffirmed the short-term rating of 'ACUITE A4+' (read as ACUITE A four plus) on the Rs. 34.00 Cr bank facilities of B S Apparel (BSA). The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is downgraded on account of information risk.

About the Company

Tamilnadu based - Established in 2005, BSA was promoted by Mr. B. Vijayaragavan as a proprietorship firm. The firm is engaged in manufacturing and export of hosiery garments. The product profile comprises of sports wears, casual wears and innerwear for men, women and children. The fabrics are made with bamboo cotton and the firm specialises in Bamboo Cotton, UV Protection Factor (UPF) and Bamboo Cotton Wool products. BSA is 100% export oriented firm, majorly exporting to countries like USA, Korea, New Zealand, UK and Dubai, among others. The firm had Solar Division with 2.4 MV, Solar Rooftop with 150 KWP and Wind Mills with 5 MW as on September 19, 2018.

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.

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.

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

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA 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.

Applicable Criteria

- Manufacturing Entities: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.htm
- Default Recognition: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm

Note on Complexity Levels of the Rated Instrument

https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-55.htm

Rating H	listory			
Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
11 Feb 2021	Term Loan	Long Term	14.40	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.20	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.70	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	5.76	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.05	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	4.67	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Packing Credit	Short Term	8.00	ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.22	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.20	ACUITE BB+ (Issuer not co-operating*)
-	Term Loan	Long Term	0.22	ACUITE BB+ (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Packing Credit	Short Term	8.00	ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)
02 Dec	Term Loan	Long Term	14.40	ACUITE BB+ (Issuer not co-operating*)

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2019	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	4.67	ACUITE BB+ (Issuer not co-operating*)	
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.70	ACUITE BB+ (Issuer not co-operating*)	
	Term Loan	Long Term	5.76	ACUITE BB+ (Issuer not co-operating*)	
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.05	ACUITE BB+ (Issuer not co-operating*)	
	Packing Credit	Short Term	8.00	ACUITE A3+ (Upgraded from ACUITE A3)	
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.05	ACUITE BBB Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BBB- Stable)	
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.22	ACUITE BBB Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BBB- Stable)	
19 Sep	Term Loan	Long Term	0.20	ACUITE BBB Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BBB- Stable)	
2018	Term Loan	Long Term	5.76	ACUITE BBB Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BBB- Stable)	
	Term Loan	Long Term	14.40	ACUITE BBB Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BBB- Stable)	
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.70	ACUITE BBB Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BBB- Stable)	
	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	4.67	ACUITE BBB Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BBB- Stable)	
	Proposed Long Term Loan	Long Term	17.00	ACUITE BBB- Stable (Assigned)	
08 Jul 2017	Packing Credit	Short Term	8.00	ACUITE A3 (Assigned)	
		Long			
	Term Loan	Term	9.00	ACUITE BBB- Stable (Assigned)	

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Bank of India	Not Applicable	PC/PCFC	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	8.00	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Proposed Long Term Bank Facility	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	4.67	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co- operating*
Bank of India	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	14.40	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co- operating*
Small Industries Development Bank of India	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	0.05	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co- operating*
Small Industries Development Bank of India	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	0.22	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co- operating*
Small Industries Development Bank of India	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	0.20	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co- operating*
Small Industries Development Bank of India	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	5.76	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co- operating*
Small Industries Development Bank of India	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	0.70	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co- operating*

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