

Press Release

Dammam Cashew

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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.

Rating Rationale

Acuité has reviewed its long-term rating of '**ACUITE B+** (**read as ACUITE B plus**) on the Rs10.00 crore bank facilities of Dammam Cashew. This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on the best available information.

Kerala based Dammam Cashew (DC) was established in 2005 by Mr. Abdul Vahid and is engaged in the trading and processing of raw cashew nuts. The firm imports 100 percent of its raw materials from African countries. Trading business contributes around 30 per cent of the revenue and the rest is being contributed by processing business.

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.

This rating is, therefore, being flagged as "Issuer not-cooperating", in line with prevailing SEBI regulations and Acuité's policies.

Acuité believes that information risk is a critical component in such ratings, and non-cooperation by the issuer along with an unwillingness to provide information could be a sign of potential deterioration in its overall credit quality.

Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm>
- Trading Entities - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-61.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.

Liquidity-

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

Rating Sensitivity-

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

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

None

Rating History (Up to last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr.)	Ratings/Outlook
06-Dec-2019	Cash Credit	Long Term	10.00	ACUITE B+/Stable (Downgraded)
11-Oct-2018	Cash Credit	Long Term	10.00	ACUITE BB- (Indicative)
16-Aug-2017	Cash Credit	Long Term	10.00	ACUITE BB-/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	10.00	ACUITE B+ Issuer not co-operating*

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