

Press Release

Blue Star Diamonds Private Limited March 21, 2024

Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	660.00	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	660.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuité has Reaffirmed its long term rating of 'ACUITE C (read as ACUITE C)' on the Rs.660.00 crore bank facilities of Blue Star Diamonds Private Limited. The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

About the Company

Maharashtra based – Blue Star Diamonds Private Limited, a partnership firm established in 1966 by Mr. Vasantlal Mehta, was reconstituted as a closely held company in 2008. The flagship entity of the Blue Star Group, the company is engaged in the business of cutting and polishing diamonds. The operations are managed by the second generation promoters - Mr. Akshay Mehta, Mr. Anuj Mehta and Mr. Ashit Mehta. While Mr Ashit M was instrumental in setting up the rough division in Antwerp in 1981 by the name M/s Arjav Diamonds NV, his elder brothers, Mr. Akshay M and Mr. Anuj M focused on the manufacturing and polishing operations to cater to national and international clients. BSDPL has been a Diamond Trading Company (DTC) sight holder since 1994 apart from being a consistent buyer from other players since 2009.

About the Group

Arjav Diamonds (India) Pvt Ltd (ADIPL) was established in 1981 as a partnership firm and subsequently converted into a private limited company in 2007. ADIPL is mainly engaged in the distribution/trading of rough diamonds and also manufactures cut and polished diamonds. ADIPL has also been a DTC sight holder since 1991 through its holding Company Arjav Diamonds NV.

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



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 17 (Actual)	FY 16 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	2823.98	3041.92
PAT	Rs. Cr.	29.47	29.68
PAT Margin	(%)	1.04	0.98
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	1.09	1.30
PBDIT/Interest	Times	1.90	1.77

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
- 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

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Rating History

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
22 Dec	Packing Credit	Long Term	610.00	ACUITE C (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
2022	Proposed Long Term Loan	Long Term	50.00	ACUITE C (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
18 May	Packing Credit	Long Term	610.00	ACUITE BB- (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
2022	Proposed Long Term Loan	Long Term	50.00	ACUITE BB- (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
15 Feb	Packing Credit	Long Term	610.00	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
2021	Proposed Long Term Loan	Long Term	50.00	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
Indusind Bank Ltd	Not avl. / Not appl.	PC/PCFC	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	610.00	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
Not Applicable	Not avl. / Not appl.	Proposed Long Term Loan	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	50.00	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*

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