

Press Release

Laxmi Steels

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Rating Update

Total Bank Facilities Rated	Rs. 7.00 Cr. #
Long Term Rating	ACUITE BBB- Issuer not co-operating*

Refer Annexure for details

* The issuer did not co-operate; Based on best available information.

Acuité has reviewed long-term rating of 'ACUITE BBB-' (read as ACUITE triple B minus) on the Rs. 7.00 crore bank facilities of Laxmi Steels (LS). This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information.

LS, established as a proprietorship firm in 1996 by Mr. Ashok Patel, is engaged into trading of steel products and non-ferrous metals. The firm sells to various steel companies, wholesalers and traders located mainly in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.

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 due date.

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

Applicable Criteria

- Trading Entities - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-6.htm>
- Default Recognition: <https://www.acuite.in/criteria-default.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.

About the Rated Entity - Key Financials

	Unit	FY17 (Actual)	FY16 (Actual)	FY15 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	45.67	32.63	47.58
EBITDA	Rs. Cr.	1.58	1.28	1.42
PAT	Rs. Cr.	0.85	0.53	0.80
EBITDA Margin (%)	(%)	3.46	3.91	2.99
PAT Margin (%)	(%)	1.87	1.64	1.68
ROCE (%)	(%)	10.49	14.77	40.50
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	0.27	0.34	0.12
PBDIT/Interest	Times	2.41	1.94	2.49
Total Debt/PBDIT	Times	2.66	1.83	0.50
Gross Current Assets (Days)	Days	204	187	116

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA (if applicable)

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.

Rating History (Upto last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr.)	Ratings/Outlook
11-Jan-2018	Cash Credit	Long Term	7.00	ACUITE BBB-/ Stable (Assigned)

CC includes sublimit Overdraft against book debts (ODBD) of Rs. 5.00 crore

#Annexure – Details of instruments rated

Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs.Cr.)	Ratings
Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	7.00	ACUITE BBB- Issuer not co-operating*

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