

Press Release

Step Industries Private Limited

February 27, 2023



Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	17.96	ACUITE BB+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Bank Loan Ratings	62.04	-	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	80.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuité has reaffirmed the long-term rating of '**ACUITE BB+**' (read as **ACUITE double B plus**) and the short term rating of '**ACUITE A4+**' (read as **ACUITE A four plus**) on the Rs. 80.00 crore bank facilities of Step Industries Private Limited. The rating is flagged as "Issuer Not Cooperating" and is based on best available information.

About the Company

Step Industries Private Limited, incorporated in 2011, is promoted by Mr. Ankit Tayal, Mr. Deepanshu Tayal and Mr. Sunil Tayal. The company manufactures aluminum cable wires required for electrification purpose. Additionally, SIPL undertakes EPC contracts on a tender basis. The company has executed electrification, installation and commission of substations for Madhya Pradesh Paschim Kshetra Vidyut Vitran Company, Assam Power Distribution Company Limited and Jharkhand Bijali Vitran Nigam Limited. SIPL has aluminum cable manufacturing capacity of 10000 km cable/ year located at Alwar, Rajasthan.

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 ratings is based.

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

Other Factors affecting Rating

Not Applicable

Key Financials

Particulars	Unit	FY 22 (Actual)	FY 21 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	53.46	79.41
PAT	Rs. Cr.	0.81	1.80
PAT Margin	(%)	1.52	2.26
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	0.82	0.85
PBDIT/Interest	Times	1.77	1.88

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

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.

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

In order to inform the investors about complexity of instruments, Acuité 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
29 Nov 2021	Cash Credit	Long Term	1.00	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	19.50	ACUITE A4+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	6.96	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Proposed Bank Guarantee	Short Term	11.54	ACUITE A4+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	21.00	ACUITE A4+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	10.00	ACUITE A4+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
03 Sep 2020	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	10.00	ACUITE A3 (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	21.00	ACUITE A3 (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	19.50	ACUITE A3 (Reaffirmed)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	6.96	ACUITE BBB- Negative (Reaffirmed)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BBB- Negative (Reaffirmed)
	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BBB- Negative (Reaffirmed)
	Proposed Bank Guarantee	Short Term	11.54	ACUITE A3 (Reaffirmed)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	1.00	ACUITE BBB- Negative (Reaffirmed)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Complexity Level	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Union Bank of India	Not Applicable	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	19.50	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
HDFC Bank Ltd	Not Applicable	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	21.00	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Indusind Bank Ltd	Not Applicable	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	10.00	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Indusind Bank Ltd	Not Applicable	Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	5.00	ACUITE BB+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Union Bank of India	Not Applicable	Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	6.96	ACUITE BB+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
HDFC Bank Ltd	Not Applicable	Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	1.00	ACUITE BB+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Proposed Bank Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	11.54	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Proposed Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	5.00	ACUITE BB+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*

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