

# **Press Release**

**SKP Steel Industries Private Limited** 

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# **Rating Re-affirmed**

Total Bank Facilities Rated	Rs. 39.00 crore		
Long Term Rating	ACUITE BBB- / Stable (Reaffirmed)		
Short Term Rating	ACUITE A3 (Reaffirmed)		

\* Refer Annexure for details

## **Rating Rationale**

Acuité has reaffirmed the long term rating of 'ACUITE BBB-' (read as ACUITE triple B minus) and the short term rating of 'ACUITE A3' (read as ACUITE A three) on the Rs. 39.00 crore bank facilities of SKP Steel Industries Private Limited. The outlook is 'Stable'.

Incorporated in 1997, SKP Steel Industries Private Limited (SKP) is a Kolkata based company, promoted by Mr. Surendra Kumar Pasari. The company is engaged in the manufacturing of MS Wires, MS Pipes and Stainless Steel Pipes under the brand "Kings". The company has installed capacity of 34000 metric tonnes per annum (MTPA) of MS pipes, 3000 MTPA of stainless steel (SS) pipes and 1000 tonnes of MS Wires. Currently, the day to day operations of the company are looked after by the second generation of the Pasari family, led by Mr. Anirudh Pasari and Mr. Ayush Pasari, along with the guidance of Mr. Surendra Pasari.

# Analytical Approach:

Acuite has taken a standalone view of the business and financial risk profile of SKP Steel Industries Private Limited.

# Key Rating Drivers

# Strengths: -

# Experienced management and long track record of operations

Incorporated in 1997, SKP has a track record of over two decades in the iron and steel industry. SKP was promoted by Mr. Surendra Kumar Pasari, who has diversified business experience of more than four decades in the field of auto dealership, real estate and tea gardens. Currently, the day to day operations of the company are looked after by Mr. Anirudh Pasari and Mr. Ayush Pasari, along with Mr. Surendra Pasari.

## Improvement in operating income

The company has registered healthy growth in top line with revenue of Rs. 155.56 crore in FY2018 from Rs. 104.22 crore in FY2016, thereby registering a cumulative annual growth rate of 22.17 per cent during the last 2 years. The growth in revenue is on account improvement in realization of MS pipe and SS pipe. During FY 2018-19, the company has registered an operating income of ~ Rs 159 crore till 31<sup>st</sup> March'19 (prov). Going forward, Acuité expects further improvement in the topline due to the recently completed capex in order to enhance its MS pipes capacity by 24000MT to 54000MT from the current level of 30000MT. The operations from additional capacity are likely to commence from June'2019.

#### Moderate financial Risk Profile

The moderate financial risk profile of the company is marked by its moderate net worth, moderate gearing and debt protection metrics. The net worth of the company stood at Rs 22.47 crore as on 31<sup>st</sup> March'18, as against Rs 18.43 crore a year earlier. SKP's net worth includes Rs. 9.97 crore of unsecured





loans from promoters/ directors. Acuité has treated the same as quasi equity, as the amount is subordinated to bank debt and the company has also given an undertaking that they will maintain the same in the business. The debt- equity stands moderate at 1.44 times as on 31<sup>st</sup> March'18 as compared to 1.46 times a year earlier. The moderate gearing is on the account of term loan taken to complete the capex to enhance its MS pipe capacity expansion. The interest coverage ratio and DSCR stood moderate at 1.72 times and 1.39 times in FY2018, as compared to 1.70 times and 1.39 times respectively in FY2017. The NCA /TD stood at 0.07 times in FY2018 as compared to 0.09 times in FY2017.

## Weaknesses:

## Moderate working capital intensity

The operations are moderately working capital intensive in nature marked by gross current asset (GCA) days of 122 in FY2018 as against 133 days in FY2017. The moderate GCA days are on account of debtor days of 104-115 during the period under review. The company extends 90 days credit period to its dealers and 120 days to few big customers like M/s. Skipper Limited, Utkarsh India Limited (rated ACUITE A-/Stable/A2+), Godavari Commodities Limited, etc. as they have strong creditability in the market and payment is also secure with them. The company maintains inventory of around 3 weeks at most so as to mitigate price fluctuation and on account of easy availability of raw materials. The working capital intensity is further reflected from ~ 95 per cent utilisation of its fund based limits for the twelve month ended March'19.

# Exposure to inherent cyclicality in steel industry

The profit margins and sales of the company remains exposed to inherent cyclicality in the steel and industry.

## Presence in highly competitive and fragmented industry

The company is operating in competitive and fragmented nature of industry.

#### Liquidity:

SKP has adequate liquidity marked by moderate net cash accruals to its maturing debt obligations. SKP generated cash accruals of Rs.0.93 to 2.33 crore during the last three years through 2017-18, while its maturing debt obligations were in the range of Rs. 0.58 to 0.80 crore over the same period. SKP's operations are moderately working capital intensive marked by gross current asset (GCA) days of 122 in FY 2018. This has led to reliance on working capital borrowings, the cash credit limit of SKP remains utilized at ~95 percent during the twelve months ended March 2019. The current ratio of SKP stood at 1.41 times as on March 31, 2018.

#### Outlook: Stable

Acuité believes that SKP Steel Industries Private Limited will continue to benefit over the long term from the promoters long standing experience in business. The outlook may be revised to 'Positive' if SKP achieves more than envisaged sales and profitability while improving its working capital cycle. Conversely, the outlook may be revised to 'Negative' if the company fails to achieve growth in revenue and profitability or the financial risk deteriorates owing to higher-than-expected increase in debt-funded working capital requirement.

	Unit	FY18 (Actual)	FY17 (Actual)	FY16 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	155.56	142.86	104.22
EBITDA	Rs. Cr.	6.69	6.48	3.61
PAT	Rs. Cr.	0.76	0.42	0.35
EBITDA Margin	(%)	4.30	4.53	3.47
PAT Margin	(%)	0.49	0.29	0.34
ROCE	(%)	10.29	11.02	8.86
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	1.44	1.46	1.31
PBDIT/Interest	Times	1.72	1.70	1.44
Total Debt/PBDIT	Times	4.80	4.15	5.91

## About the Rated Entity - Key Financials

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Gross Current Assets (Days) Days 122 133 147
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**Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA (if applicable)** None

Any other information

None

# Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition https://www.acuite.in/criteria-default.htm
- Financial Ratios And Adjustments https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-20.htm
- Manufacturing Entities <u>https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-4.htm</u>

# Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument

https://www.acuite.in/criteria-complexity-levels.htm

# Rating History (Upto last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr.)	Ratings/Outlook
	Cash Credit	Long Term	21.00	ACUITE BBB-/ Stable (Assigned)
12th March'18	Term Loans	Long Term	17.04	ACUITE BBB-/ Stable (Assigned)
	Proposed	Long Term	0.21	ACUITE BBB-/ Stable (Assigned)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	0.75	ACUITE A3 (Assigned)

# \*Annexure – Details of instruments rated

Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue	Ratings/Outlook
Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	21.00	ACUITE BBB-/ Stable (Reaffirmed)
Term Loans	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	17.04	ACUITE BBB-/ Stable (Reaffirmed)
Proposed	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.21	ACUITE BBB-/ Stable (Reaffirmed)
Bank Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.75	ACUITE A3 (Reaffirmed)



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