

Press Release

Kumar and Company

August 27, 2020

Rating Update



Total Bank Facilities Rated*	Rs.11.83 Cr.#
Long Term Rating	ACUITE BB- (Downgraded from ACUITE BB) Issuer not co-operating*

*Refer Annexure for details

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

Acuité has downgraded the long term rating to '**ACUITE BB-**' (read as **ACUITE double B minus**) from '**ACUITE BB**' (read as **ACUITE double B**) on the Rs.11.83 crore bank facilities of Kumar and Company(KC). The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is downgraded on account of information risk.

M/s Kumar & Company (KC) was established in the year 2010 and is engaged in the business retail & wholesale trading of medicines, surgical equipment's, cosmetics & other related items. The operations of the firm, however, commenced from 2014. KC is managed by Mr. Karan Singla and Vinod Singla. The products are procured through distribution contracts with pharmaceutical companies which are renewed annually. Apart from over the counter sales (retail), the firm also supplies medicines to private as well as government hospitals and commando hospitals. Currently, KOC operates through its two outlets located in Chandigarh and New Delhi.

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.

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.

About the Rated Entity - Key Financials

The rated entity has not shared the latest financial statements despite repeated requests.

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

None

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 (Up to last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Ratings/Outlook
31-May-19	Cash Credit	Long Term	11.50	ACUITE BB Issuer not co-operating*
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.33	ACUITE BB Issuer not co-operating*
24-Mar-18	Cash Credit	Long Term	11.50	ACUITE BB/ Stable (Assigned)
	Term Loan	Long Term	0.33	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	11.50	ACUITE BB- (Downgraded from ACUITE BB) Issuer not co-operating*
Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.33	ACUITE BB- (Downgraded from ACUITE BB) Issuer not co-operating*

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