

Press Release



Guinness Securities Limited

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Rating Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Initial Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Net Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	11.00	11.00		ACUITE A4 Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*
Bank Loan Ratings	1.00	1.00	ACUITE B+ Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*	
Total	-	12.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuite has downgraded the long-term rating to '**ACUITE B+**' (read as **ACUITE B plus**) from '**ACUITE BB-**' (Read as **ACUITE double B minus**) and downgraded the short-term rating to '**ACUITE A4**' (read as **ACUITE A four**) from '**ACUITE A4+**' (read as **ACUITE A four plus**) on the Rs.12.00 crore bank facilities of Guinness Securities Limited. The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is downgraded on account of information risk.

About the Company

Guinness Securities Limited (GSL) was established in the year of 1986, as a Kolkata-based share broking company promoted by Mr. Kamal Kumar Kothari. The company is engaged in providing financial services such as share broking, Depository Participant services, Future & Option trading and Mutual Funds, among others. The company is a member of the National Stock Exchange, Bombay Stock Exchange, Multi Commodity Exchange apart from being a depository participant of NSDL and CDSL.

Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower:

Acuite 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.

Acuite believes that information risk is a critical component in such ratings, and non-cooperation by the issuer along with an 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 Acuite's policies.

Applicable Criteria

- Service Sector: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-50.htm>
- Default Recognition: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.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 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.

Liquidity Indicators

No information provided by the issuer / available for Acuite to comment upon.

Rating Sensitivity

No information provided by the issuer / available for Acuite to comment upon.

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

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

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
01 Sep 2020	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	6.00	ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	5.00	ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE BB- (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE BB- (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
11 Jun 2019	Cash Credit	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE BB (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE BB (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	6.00	ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	5.00	ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)
29 Mar 2018	Cash Credit	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE BB Stable (Assigned)
	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	0.50	ACUITE BB Stable (Assigned)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	5.00	ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	6.00	ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Initial Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Net Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Punjab National Bank	Not Applicable	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	6.00	6.00	ACUITE A4 Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*
State Bank of India	Not Applicable	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	5.00	5.00	ACUITE A4 Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*
Union Bank of India	Not Applicable	Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.50	0.50	ACUITE B+ Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Proposed Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.50	0.50	ACUITE B+ Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*

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