

Press Release

S. P. Sortex Rice Exports India Private Limited

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Rating Update

Total Bank Facilities Rated*	Rs.22.00 Cr. #
Long Term Rating	ACUITE BB Issuer not co-operating*

#Refer Annexure for details

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

Rating Rationale

Acuite has reviewed the long-term rating of '**ACUITE BB** (read as **ACUITE Double B**) on the Rs.22.00 crore bank facilities of S. P. Sortex Rice Exports India Private Limited. This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information.

S.P. Sortex is an Allahabad based company incorporated in 2010 by Mr. Shiv Poojan and his family in Naini (Allahabad). The company is engaged in the processing and selling of non-basmati rice. The manufacturing unit of the company is located in Naini with installed capacity of 28,800 tonnes per annum. The company procures paddy from Naini Mandi (Uttar Pradesh). SPS mainly sells to traders and commission agents located in Hyderabad, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh.

About the Group:

The SP group constitutes S. P. Sortex Rice Exports India Private Limited and SPRL Foods Limited established in 2010 and 2011 respectively. The SP group is engaged in processing and selling of basmati & non-basmati rice alongwith processing of wheat. The SP group is promoted by Mr. Shiv Poojan and his family. The group has two manufacturing unit located in Sahson and Naini (Allahabad) with total installed capacity of 74,880 metric tonnes per annum for paddy processing and 54,000 metric tonnes per annum for wheat processing. The group sells its basmati & non-basmati rice under common brand name 'Shivansh' and 'Prayag'.

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 due date.

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

Analytical approach:

ACUITE has consolidated the business and financial risk profiles of S.P.R.L. Foods Limited (SPRL) and S. P. Sortex Rice Exports India Private Limited (SPS). This is because of strong linkages between the two entities in terms of the same line of business, common management and shareholders. Further, the companies share common brand name alongwith centralized procurement and marketing team. Together, the above companies are referred as 'SP Group'.

Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-17.htm>
- Manufacturing Entities - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-4.htm>
- Financial Ratios And Adjustments - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-20.htm>
- Consolidation of companies - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-22.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.

About the Rated Entity- Key Financials

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

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 (Up to last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Ratings/Outlook
10-May-2018	Cash credit	Long term	20.00	ACUITE BB/ Stable (Assigned)
	Term loan	Long term	1.66	ACUITE BB/ Stable (Assigned)
	Proposed cash credit	Long term	0.34	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	20.00	ACUITE BB Issuer not co-operating*
Term loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	1.66	ACUITE BB Issuer not co-operating*
Proposed cash credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.34	ACUITE BB Issuer not co-operating*

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