

## Press Release

**Universal Pharmaceuticals Private Limited**

October 20, 2020



**Rating Withdrawn**

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| <b>Total Bank Facilities Rated*</b> | Rs.9.00 crore #  |
| <b>Long Term Rating</b>             | ACUITE B+<br>(Withdrawn; Issuer not co-operating*)<br>(Downgraded from ACUITE BB-) |
| <b>Short Term Rating</b>            | ACUITE A4<br>(Withdrawn; Issuer not co-operating*)                                 |

# Refer Annexure for details

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

### Rating Rationale

Acuité has downgraded and withdrawn the long-term rating to '**ACUITE B+** (read as ACUITE B plus) from '**ACUITE BB-** (read as ACUITE double B minus) and withdrawn the short-term rating of '**ACUITE A4** (read as ACUITE A four) on the Rs.9.00 crore bank facilities of Universal Pharmaceuticals Private Limited (UPPL). This is now an indicative rating and is downgraded on account of information risk.

The rating withdrawal is in accordance with the Acuité's policy on withdrawal of rating. This rating continues to be an indicative rating and is based on the best available information.

The rating is being withdrawn on account of request received from the company and NOC received from the banker.

Incorporated in 1990, Universal Pharmaceuticals Private Limited (UPPL) is a Chennai (Tamil Nadu) based company engaged in manufacturing of capsules and liquid dosages. The entity has a manufacturing unit located in Puducherry. It has an installed capacity to manufacture about 6.00 crore capsules per annum and 1.2 crore bottles of liquids per annum. The company produces liquids such as cough syrup, mainly for Lupin Pharmaceuticals. In FY2018, the company converted from public limited to private limited.

### 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

- Manufacturing Entities- <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.htm>
- Application of Financial Ratios and Adjustments: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.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.

### 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 (Upto last three years)

| Date         | Name of Instrument / Facilities | Term       | Amount (Rs. Cr.) | Ratings/Outlook              |
|--------------|---------------------------------|------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| 29-Aug-2019  | Cash Credit                     | Long Term  | 2.00             | ACUITE BB- (Indicative)      |
|              | Term Loan                       | Long Term  | 3.71             | ACUITE BB- (Indicative)      |
|              | Proposed Term Loans             | Long Term  | 1.29             | ACUITE BB- (Indicative)      |
|              | Bank Guarantee                  | Short Term | 0.75             | ACUITE A4 (Indicative)       |
|              | Letter of Credit                | Short Term | 0.25             | ACUITE A4 (Indicative)       |
|              | PC/PCFC                         | Short Term | 1.00             | ACUITE A4 (Indicative)       |
| 26-June-2018 | Cash Credit                     | Long Term  | 2.00             | ACUITE BB-/Stable (Assigned) |
|              | Term Loan                       | Long Term  | 3.71             | ACUITE BB-/Stable (Assigned) |
|              | Proposed Term Loans             | Long Term  | 1.29             | ACUITE BB-/Stable (Assigned) |
|              | Bank Guarantee                  | Short Term | 0.75             | ACUITE A4 (Assigned)         |
|              | Letter of Credit                | Short Term | 0.25             | ACUITE A4 (Assigned)         |
|              | PC/PCFC                         | Short Term | 1.00             | ACUITE A4 (Assigned)         |

### #Annexure – Details of instruments rated

| Name of the Facilities | Date of Issuance | Coupon Rate    | Maturity Date  | Size of the Issue (Rs. Cr.) | Ratings  |
|------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Cash Credit            | Not Applicable   | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | 2.00                        | ACUITE B+ (Withdrawn; Downgraded from ACUITE BB-) Issuer not co-operating* |
| Term Loan              | Not Available    | Not Available  | Not Available  | 3.71                        | ACUITE B+ (Withdrawn; Downgraded from ACUITE BB-) Issuer not co-operating* |
| Proposed Term Loans    | Not Applicable   | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | 1.29                        | ACUITE B+ (Withdrawn; Downgraded from ACUITE BB-) Issuer not co-operating* |
| Bank Guarantee         | Not Applicable   | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | 0.75                        | ACUITE A4 (Withdrawn) Issuer not co-operating*                             |
| Letter of Credit       | Not Applicable   | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | 0.25                        | ACUITE A4 (Withdrawn) Issuer not co-operating*                             |

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|---------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------|--|
| PC/PCFC | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | Not Applicable | 1.00 | ACUITE A4<br>(Withdrawn)<br>Issuer not co-operating* |
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