

Press Release

Taleem Research Foundation

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Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	310.00	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	310.00	-	-
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuite has reaffirmed the long-term rating of '**ACUITE C**' (read as **ACUITE C**) on the Rs. 310.00 crore bank facilities of Taleem Research Foundation. The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

About the Company

Taleem Research Foundation (TRF), a trust in 1996 in Gujarat, engaged in providing education services. The governing board of TRF includes Mr. Subhash Chandra, Mr. Jawahar Goel, Mr. Ashok Goel, Ms. Vijayalakshmi Das. TRF is a part of Essel group, the leading industrial group with significant presence in media, entertainment, technology, infrastructure, packaging, financial services and education among others. Mr. Subhash Chandra is the promoter of the Group. TRF runs International Baccalaureate (IB) School in Mumbai and university in Dehradun. It also conducts research related to educational technology market, media behavior among others.

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 noncooperation by the issuer along with 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.

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). Acuite endeavored to gather information about the entity/industry from the public domain. Therefore, Acuite 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.

Rating Sensitivity

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

Material Covenants

Not Applicable

Liquidity Position

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

Outlook

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

Not Applicable

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

None

Any other information

Acuite is yet to receive the latest No Default Statement (NDS) from the rated entity, despite repeated requests and follow-ups.

Applicable Criteria

- Service Sector: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-50.htm>
- Default Recognition: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm>
- Application Of Financial Ratios And Adjustments: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.htm>

Note on Complexity Levels of the Rated Instrument

<https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-55.htm>

Rating History

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
28 Jun 2021	Term Loan	Long Term	160.00	ACUITE C (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	150.00	ACUITE C (Issuer not co-operating*)
02 Apr 2020	Term Loan	Long Term	150.00	ACUITE C (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	160.00	ACUITE C (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
22 May	Term Loan	Long Term	160.00	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)

2019	Term Loan	Long Term	150.00	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
30 Jan 2019	Term Loan	Long Term	160.00	ACUITE BBB (Ratings Under Watch)
	Term Loan	Long Term	150.00	ACUITE BBB (Ratings Under Watch)
07 Jul 2018	Term Loan	Long Term	160.00	ACUITE BBB Stable (Assigned)
	Term Loan	Long Term	150.00	ACUITE BBB Stable (Assigned)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Yes Bank Ltd	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	160.00	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Yes Bank Ltd	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	150.00	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*

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