

Press Release

GARG STEELS October 31, 2024

Rating Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating



| Product | Quantum (Rs. Cr) | Long Term Rating | Sh Rating | | |
|---|---------------------|--|-----------|--|--|
| Bank Loan Ratings 12.00 | | ACUITE B Downgraded Issuer not co- operating* | - | | |
| Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr) | 12.00 | - | - | | |
| Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr) | | - | - | | |
| * The issuer did not co-operate; based on best available information. | | | | | |

Rating Rationale

Acuité has downgraded the long-term rating to 'ACUITE B' (read as ACUITE B) rom 'ACUITE B+' (read as ACUITE B plus) on the Rs. 12.00 crore bank facilities of Garg Steels (GS) on account of information risk. The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

About the Company

Garg Steels (GS) is a partnership firm established in 2005 by Mr. Suresh Garg, Mr. Amit Garg, Mrs. Shruti Garg in Jalandhar (Punjab). The firm is engaged in trading of steel products such as CR coils, HR Coil, HR Sheets, HR Plates. GS is an authorised distributor of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL).

Unsupported Rating

Not Applicable

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. Acuité believes that information risk is a critical component in such ratings, and non-cooperation by the issuer along with unwillingness to provide information could be a sign of potential deterioration in its overall credit

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

Rating Sensitivity

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

Liquidity Position

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

Outlook

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

None

Key Financials

| Particulars | Unit | FY 18 (Provisional) | FY 17 (Actual) |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------------------|----------------|
| Operating Income | Rs. Cr. | 147.15 | 106.44 |
| PAT | Rs. Cr. | 0.78 | 0.17 |
| PAT Margin | (%) | 0.53 | 0.16 |
| Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth | Times | 2.94 | 2.49 |
| PBDIT/Interest | Times | 1.47 | 1.13 |

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

Not Applicable

Any other information

None

Applicable Criteria

- Trading Entities: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-61.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

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Rating History

| Date | Name of Instruments/Facilities | | Amount (Rs. Cr) | Rating/Outlook |
|----------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|---|
| 07 Aug 2023 | Cash Credit | Long Term | 12.00 | ACUITE B+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
| 17 May 2022 | Cash Credit | Long Term | 12.00 | ACUITE B+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
| 11 Feb 2021 | Cash Credit | Long Term | 12.00 | ACUITE B+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BB-) |

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

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

| Lender's Name | ISIN | Facilities | Date Of Issuance | Coupon Rate | | Quantum (Rs. Cr.) | Complexity Level | Rating |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---|
| Punjab National Bank | Not avl. / Not appl. | | Not avl. / Not appl. | / Not | Not avl. / Not appl. | 1 12 00 | Simple | ACUITE B Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE B+) |

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