



# Press Release SUBTLEWEIGH ELECTRIC INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED April 03, 2025 Rating Reaffirmed

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	12.00	ACUITE BB-   Stable   Reaffirmed	-
Bank Loan Ratings	3.00	-	ACUITE A4   Reaffirmed
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	15.00	-	-
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-

### **Rating Rationale**

Acuite has reaffirmed its long-term rating of 'ACUITE BB-' (read as ACUITE double B minusa)nd reaffirmed the short-term rating of 'ACUITE A4' (read as ACUITE A four)on the Rs. 15.00 crore bank facilities of Subtleweigh Electric India Private Limited. The outlook remains 'Stable'.

### **Rationale for Rating**

The rating reaffirmation continues to reflects the benefits derived by the experienced management and long track record of operation and steady scale of operations of the company as reflected by its revenue of Rs. 115.74 crore, reflecting a modest growth from Rs. 85.22 crore in FY2023. The increase in revenues was attributed to a healthy order book position and the timely execution of orders, albeit a decline in operating margin to 5.80% in FY2024, from 6.55% in FY2023. The company has an moderate financial risk profile, marked by increase in net worth, comfortable gearing and robust debt protection metrics. However, these strengths are offset by the company's intensive nature of working capital cycle as evident from Gross Current Assets (GCA) of 172 days as on March 31, 2024 as against 186 days as on March 31, 2023.

#### About the Company

Incorporated in the year of 2003 Subtleweigh Electric India Private Limited is a Kolkata based company and is engaged in providing industrial automation solutions. It has its registered office located at West Bengal. Mr. Krishna Baigpant and Mr. Mirza Jawed Baig are directors of the company.

### **Unsupported Rating**

Not Applicable

### **Analytical Approach**

Acuité has taken a standalone view of the business and financial risk profile of SEIPL to arrive at the rating.

### **Key Rating Drivers**

### Strengths

Experienced management and long track record of operation:

The company has a long track record of operations with management having over two decades of experience in

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industrial automation industry. -This has helped the company to establish healthy relationships with its customers and suppliers The company has a diversified geographical presence like West Bengal, Jharkhand, Odisha and others. Acuite believes that the Company is expected to benefit from the business acumen of its promoters over the medium term.

# Steady scale of operations

In FY2024, the company recorded revenues of Rs. 115.74 crore, reflecting a modest growth from Rs. 85.22 crore in FY2023. The increase in revenues was attributed to a healthy order book position and the timely execution of orders. The company has an order book of Rs.15 Cr. to be completed by March 2025 and the remaining ~Rs. 60 Cr. will be executed by June 2025. The company receives majority of orders from pharmaceuticals, power sector, water projects from Government and others.

The operating margin decreased to 5.80% in FY2024, from 6.55% in FY2023, mainly due to rising material costs and increased competition, which led to narrower margin. The company's Profit After Tax (PAT) margin remained at 3.61% for both FY2024 and FY2023.

The company's Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) stood at 28.59% in FY2024, as against 26.45% in FY2023. Acuite believes that the company is likely to sustain its operational scale and profitability margins over the medium term.

## Moderate financial risk profile

The company's financial risk profile is moderate marked by increase in net worth, comfortable gearing and robust debt protection metrics. The tangible net worth of the company has improved and stood at Rs. 12.47 Cr. as on March 31, FY2024 as compared to Rs.8.18 Cr. as on March 31, FY2023 due to accretion to reserves. The gearing of the company stood comfortable at 0.71 times in FY2024 as against 1.49 times in FY2023. However, the Total Outside Liabilities/Tangible Net Worth (TOL/TNW) stood at 4.47 times as on FY2024 as against 5.44 times as on FY2023 due to high advances received from customers. The debt protection metrices of the company remain moderate marked by Interest coverage ratio (ICR) of 7.43 times and debt service coverage ratio (DSCR) of 3.16 times for FY2024. The net cash accruals to total debt (NCA/TD) stood at 0.58 times in FY2024. Acuité believes that the company's financial risk profile will remain moderate along with steady cash accruals.

# Weaknesses

# Working capital intensive nature of operations

The operations of the company have intensive nature of working capital cycle as evident from Gross Current Assets (GCA) of 179 days as on March 31, 2024 as against 190 days as on March 31, 2023. This is due to a lengthy approval process which takes ~2-3 months. Following this, the average execution for production process is approximately 3 to 4 months. The debtor days stood at 57 days in FY2024, up from 58 days in FY2023. The inventory days stood at 108 days in FY2024 from 91 days in FY2023. After the installation and operation of the plant, as well as the final execution, payment is often not released immediately. The credit terms vary depending on the design plan; typically, a 10% advance is provided through a bank guarantee, with the remaining payment made either before or after the supply. Against this, the creditor days stood at 88 days as on March 31, 2024 as against 100 days as on March 31, 2023. The company makes an advance payment of 30 percent. The credit terms in an average are ~45-60 days. Acuite believes that the working capital cycle is expected to remain at similar levels over the medium term.

# **Rating Sensitivities**

- Movement in profitability margins while scaling up of operations.
- Working capital cycle
- Debt funded Capex plans

### Liquidity Position Stretched

The company has stretched liquidity marked by net cash accruals of Rs. 5.06 Cr. in FY2024 as against Rs. 0.16 Cr. of debt obligation over the same period. Going forward, the net cash accruals are expected to be sufficient around Rs.7-8 Cr. to meet debt obligations of ~Rs. 1.00 Cr. in next two years. The cash and bank balances stood at Rs. 0.01 Cr. for FY 2024. Further, the current ratio of the company stood at 1.15 times in FY2024. The bank limit utilization for fund based is 79~ percent and non-fund based is 85 % over the last six months ended in February 2025. Acuité believes that the liquidity of the company is likely to remain stretched over the medium term backed by small but steady accruals against long term debt repayments, moderate utilization of short-term borrowings albeit low current ratio.

# **Outlook: Stable**

# **Other Factors affecting Rating**

None

# **Key Financials**

Particulars	Unit	FY 24 (Actual)	FY 23 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	115.74	85.22
PAT	Rs. Cr.	4.18	3.08
PAT Margin	(%)	3.61	3.61
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	0.71	1.49
PBDIT/Interest	Times	7.43	5.70

**Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA (if applicable)** Not Applicable

Interaction with Audit Committee anytime in the last 12 months (applicable for rated-listed / proposed to be listed debt securities being reviewed by Acuite) Not applicable Any other information None

### **Applicable Criteria**

- Default Recognition :- https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm
- Infrastructure Sector: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-51.htm
- Application Of Financial Ratios And Adjustments: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.htm

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# **Rating History**

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
04 Jan 2024	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	2.00	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	1.00	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed)
	Secured Overdraft	Long Term	3.00	ACUITE BB-   Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE B+)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE BB-   Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE B+)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB-   Stable (Assigned)
	Bills Discounting	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE BB-   Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE B+)
09 May 2023	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	2.00	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)
	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	1.00	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)
	Secured Overdraft	Long Term	3.00	ACUITE B+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)
	Bills Discounting	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE B+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE B+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)
08 Feb 2022	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	1.00	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)
	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	2.00	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE B+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)
	Bills Discounting	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE B+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)
	Secured Overdraft	Long Term	3.00	ACUITE B+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Complexity Level	Rating
HDFC	Not avl. /	Bank Guarantee	Not avl. /	Not avl. /	Not avl. /	2.00	Simple	ACUITE A4
Bank Ltd	Not appl.	(BLR)	Not appl.	Not appl.	Not appl.	2.00	Simple	Reaffirmed
	Not avl. /	Bank Guarantee	Not avl. /	Not avl. /	Not avl. /	1.00	Simple	ACUITE A4
Bank Ltd	Not appl.	(BLR)	Not appl.	Not appl.	Not appl.	1.00	Shipe	Reaffirmed
HDEC	Not avl. /		Not avl. /	Not avl. /	Not avl. /			ACUITE BB-
	Not appl.	<b>Bills Discounting</b>			Not appl.	3.00	Simple	Stable
Dalik Liu	Not appi.		Not appi.	Not appl.	Not appl.			Reaffirmed
HDFC	Not avl. /	Proposed Long	Not avl /	Not avl. /	Not avl. /			ACUITE BB-
		Term Bank Facility		Not appl.	Not appl.	0.78	Simple	Stable
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HDFC	Not avl. /		Not avl. /	Not avl. /	Not avl. /			ACUITE BB-
	Not appl.	Secured Overdraft		Not appl.	Not appl.	7.50	Simple	Stable
Dalik Liu	Not appi.		Not appl.	Not appl.	Not appi.			Reaffirmed
HDFC	Not avl. /	Working Capital	Not avl. /	Not avl. /	15 Aug			ACUITE BB-
	Not appl.	Term Loan			2025	0.72	Simple	Stable
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# Annexure - Details of instruments rated

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