



Press Release
Puthupalayam Timber Industries
July 20, 2023

Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	1.50	ACUITE B Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Bank Loan Ratings	9.50	-	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	11.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuite has reaffirmed its long term rating of '**ACUITE B**' (read as **ACUITE B**) and the short term rating of '**ACUITE A4**' (read as **ACUITE A four**) on the Rs.11.00 crore bank facilities of PUTHUPALAYAM TIMBER INDUSTRIES (PTI).

This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on the best available information.

About the Firm

Tamil Nadu based PTI was established as a partnership firm by Mr. R. Velayutha Raja, Mrs. V. Vidhya Gayathri and Mr. Rithish Krishna in 1978. PTI is engaged in wholesale trading of imported timbers such as Teak Logs, Merbau Saw Timbers and Mora Logs. The firm imports timber from Hong Kong, Malaysia and Singapore and sells to Jhonson Wood Industries, Sri Kumaran Industries and 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 non-cooperation by the issuer along with an 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 has endeavoured 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.

Rating Sensitivities

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

Material Covenants

None

Liquidity Position

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

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

None

Key Financials

Particulars	Unit	FY 21 (Actual)	FY 20 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	20.35	17.90
PAT	Rs. Cr.	0.20	0.19
PAT Margin	(%)	0.96	1.04
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	0.54	0.82
PBDIT/Interest	Times	1.43	1.52

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

CRISIL vide its press release dated 24.01.2023, had rated the company to CRISIL B+/Stable/A4; Issuer Not Cooperating.

Any other information

Acuite is yet to receive the latest No Default Statement from the rated entity, despite repeated requests and followups.

Applicable Criteria

- 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>
- Trading Entitie: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-61.htm>

Note on Complexity Levels of the Rated Instrument

In order to inform the investors about complexity of instruments, Acuite has categorized such instruments in three levels: Simple, Complex and Highly Complex. Acuite's categorisation of the instruments across the three categories is based on factors like variability of the returns to the investors, uncertainty in cash flow patterns, number of counterparties and general understanding of the instrument by the market. It has to be understood that complexity is different from credit risk and even an instrument categorized as 'Simple' can carry high levels of risk. For more details, please refer Rating Criteria "Complexity Level Of Financial Instruments" on www.acuite.in

Rating History

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
09 May 2022	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	1.50	ACUITE B Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Letter of Credit	Short Term	9.50	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed)
26 Feb 2021	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	1.50	ACUITE B Stable (Assigned)
	Letter of Credit	Short Term	9.50	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Complexity Level	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
DBS Bank Ltd	Not Applicable	Letter of Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	9.50	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Proposed Long Term Bank Facility	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	1.50	ACUITE B Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*

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