

Press Release SSK INFOTECH PRIVATE LIMITED January 07, 2025 Rating Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating

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| Product | Quantum (Rs. Cr) | Long Term Rating | Sh Rating | | |
| Bank Loan Ratings | 15.00 | ACUITE D Downgraded Issuer not co- operating* | - | | |
| Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr) | 15.00 | - | - | | |
| Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr) | 0.00 | - | - | | |
| * The issuer did not co-operate; based on best available information. | | | | | |

Rating Rationale

Acuité has downgraded its long-term rating to 'ACUITE D' (read as ACUITE Dfrom 'ACUITE C' (read as ACUITE C) on the Rs. 15 crore bank facilities of SSK Infotech Private Limited (SIPL). The rating continues to be flagged as 'Issuer Not Cooperating' and is a based on best available information.

Acuité has taken consolidated approach for the entity along with-its other five group companies. Three of its group entities, Bagh Bahar Appliances Private Limited, Shree Sant Kripa Appliances Private Limited & Syska Led Lights Private Limited were listed in the CIBIL's Suit Filed Accounts - Defaulters Rs.1 crore and above list as on 30-Nov-2024. In view of consolidated approach & common management, the rating is being downgraded for this entity.

About the Company

SSK Infotech Private Limited (SIPL) is a Pune based company incorporated in the year 2006 by Mr. Rajesh and Mr. Govind Uttamchandanai. The company is engaged in providing electronic data services and solutions to telecom and multi-national companies; and printing and mailing activities such as printing of cheques and current/savings account statements, mainly for banks. The company has four printing facilities which are based out of Pune, Mumbai, Gurgaon and Hyderabad.

About the Group

SYSKA Group comprises of 6 companies, namely Shree Sant Kripa Appliances Private Limited (SSKAPL), Syska E-Retails LLP (SELLP), SYSKA LED Lights Private Limited (SLLPL), Bagh Bahar Appliances Private Limited (BBAPL), SSK Retails Private Limited (SRPL) and SSK Infotech Private Limited (SIPL). The group is primarily engaged in mobile distribution business exclusively for Samsung under its flagship company SSKAPL. The group is also engaged in the manufacturing and trading of LED lights, home wires, irons, fans and personal care and grooming products under their own brand name of 'SYSKA'. BBAPL is the exclusive distributor for Samsung mobiles across Pune and its outskirts, LG home appliances in Pune district and Haier home appliances in Mumbai region. SRPL currently operates 26 Samsung Smart Phone Cafes across India. SIPL provides electronic data services and solutions to telecom and multi-national companies; and printing and mailing activities such as printing of cheques and current/savings account statements, mainly for banks. SELLP is engaged in the trading of SYSKA Brand Products such as LED Bulbs, Tube Lights, Panel Lights, Irons, Fans, Extension Boards, Power Banks, Bluetooth, Speakers, and Personal Care grooming products for both men and women through ECommerce platforms. SLLPL is engaged in the trading and manufacturing of LED Lights, grooming and personal care products and home wires, irons and fans under the 'SYSKA' brand name.

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 quality.

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 23 (Provisional) | FY 22 (Actual) |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------------------|----------------|
| Operating Income | Rs. Cr. | 4707.90 | 3710.68 |
| PAT | Rs. Cr. | 17.64 | (16.11) |
| PAT Margin | (%) | 0.37 | (0.43) |
| Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth | Times | 0.87 | 0.96 |
| PBDIT/Interest | Times | 1.27 | 0.95 |

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA Not Applicable

Any other information

None

Applicable Criteria

- Manufacturing Entities: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.htm
- 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
- Consolidation Of Companies: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-60.htm

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument

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Rating History

| Date | Name of Instruments/Facilities | Term | Amount (Rs. Cr) | Rating/Outlook |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|---|
| 22 Apr 2024 | Term Loan | Long Term | 15.00 | ACUITE C (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
| 31 Jan 2024 | Term Loan | Long Term | 15.00 | ACUITE C (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BB+) |
| 18 Oct 2023 | Term Loan | Long Term | 15.00 | ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE A- Stable) |
| 20 Jul 2022 | Term Loan | Long Term | 15.00 | ACUITE A- Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| 11 Jul 2022 | Term Loan | Long Term | 15.00 | ACUITE A- Stable (Downgraded from ACUITE A Stable) |

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Annexure - Details of instruments rated

| Lender's Name | ISIN | H 901111106 | Date Of Issuance | - | · · | Quantum (Rs. Cr.) | Complexity Level | Rating |
|------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---|
| Mahindra | Not avl. / Not appl. | | Not avl. / Not appl. | / Not | Not avl. / Not appl. | 15.00 | Simple | ACUITE D Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE C) |

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| Sr. No. | Company name |
|---------|---|
| 1 | SSK Retails Private Limited |
| 2 | Bagh Bahar Appliances Private Limited |
| 3 | Shree Sant Kripa Appliances Private Limited |
| 4 | Syska E-Retails LLP |
| 5 | Syska Led Lights Private Limited |
| 6 | SSK Infotech Private Limited |

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