

Press Release

Ram Chandra Paul (RCP)

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Rating Update

Total Bank Facilities Rated*	Rs. 20.00 Cr. #
Long Term Rating	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded from ACUITE BB-/ Stable) Issuer not co-operating*
Short Term Rating	ACUITE A4 (Downgraded from ACUITE A4+) Issuer not co-operating*

Refer Annexure for details`

* The issuer did not co-operate; Based on best available information.

Acuité has downgraded the long term rating of Ram Chandra Paul to '**ACUITE B+** (read as Acuité B plus) from '**ACUITE BB-**' (read as Acuité double B minus) and short term rating to '**ACUITE A4**' (read as Acuité A four) from '**ACUITE A4+**' (read as Acuité A four plus) . The rating downgrade is on account of information risk.

RCP is a proprietorship firm established in 2001, promoted by Mr Ram Chandra Paul. The firm has, since inception, been undertaking civil construction activities such as construction of roads, and bridges. RCP is the principle contractor for Public Works Department, Public Works Department Roads, and National Highways Authority of India in West Bengal.

Analytical Approach

Acuité has considered the standalone business and financial risk profiles of RCP to arrive at this rating.

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 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.

Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition - <https://www.acuite.in/criteria-default.htm>
- Financial Ratios and Adjustments - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-20.htm>
- Infrastructure Entities - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-51.htm>

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.

About the Rated Entity - Key Financials

The rated entity has not shared the latest financial statements despite repeated requests.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA (if applicable)

Not applicable

Any other information

Acuité is yet to receive the latest No Default Statement (NDS) from the rated entity, despite repeated

requests and follow-ups.

Rating History (Upto last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Crore)	Ratings/Outlook
05-Mar-2019	Term Loan	Long Term	4.75	ACUITE BB-/Stable (Assigned)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	1.00	ACUITE BB-/Stable (Assigned)
	Proposed Long Term	Long Term	0.25	ACUITE BB-/Stable (Assigned)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	14.00	ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)

#Annexure – Details of instruments rated

Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. Cr.)	Ratings
Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	4.75	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded from ACUITE BB-) Issuer not co-operating*
Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	1.00	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded from ACUITE BB-) Issuer not co-operating*
Proposed Long Term	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.25	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded from ACUITE BB-) Issuer not co-operating*
Bank Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	14.00	ACUITE A4 (Downgraded from ACUITE A4+) Issuer not co-operating*

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