

Press Release SOHAM PHALGUNI RENEWABLE ENERGY PRIV ATE LIMITED

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Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	25.00	ACUITE BB+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	25.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuité has reaffirmed its long term rating to 'ACUITE BB+' (read as ACUITE double B plus) on the Rs.25 Crore bank facilities of Soham Phalugni Renewable Energy Private Limited. The rating is on account of information risk. This rating is now an indicative rating as client has not submitted No Default Statement (NDS) for the past 3 months.

About the Company

Soham Phalguni Renewable Energy Private Limited (SPREPL) was incorporated in the year 2002. The company is is promoted by Mr. Suchindra Sadananda Shetty and family. SPREPL is an entity under the Soham Group and a subsidiary of Soham Renewable Energy India Private Limited and is engaged in power generation. The company is running 10.5 MW mini hydel power plants at Gurupur Stream of Nethravathi River (downstream to Mannapitlu project) in Dakshina Kannada district in Karnataka. The company has commenced commercial production on June 27, 2015. It is a part of Soham group and is a subsidiary company of Soham Renewable Energy India Private Limited (~52%) and Ambuthirtha Power Private Limited (~48%).

About the Group

Soham Group was established in the year 1991, with Soham Renewable Energy India Private Limited (MW6) being the flagship company of the group. Soham Group operates hydro power projects with a cumulative capacity of 53.5 MW in Karnataka. Other entities are Ambuthirtha Power Private Limited (22 MW), Soham Phalguni Renewable Energy Private Limited (10.5 MW) and Soham Mannapitlu Power Private Limited (15 MW). The entities in the group have long term power purchase agreements (PPA) with several DISCOMs and corporates based out of Karnataka.

Unsupported Rating

Not Applicable

Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower

Acuité has been requesting for No Default Statements (NDS); however, despite multiple requests; the Company's management has remained non-cooperative and not submitted the NDS for the preceding 03 consecutive months. Acuité has also 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 be date. Acuité believes that information risk is a critical component in such r	fore the due ratings, and
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noncooperation 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 has endeavoured 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 Sensitivities

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 (Actual)	FY 22 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	6.74	8.37
PAT	Rs. Cr.	0.70	1.67
PAT Margin	(%)	10.44	19.98
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	0.29	0.37
PBDIT/Interest	Times	2.82	3.05

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

Not Applicable

Any other information

None.

Applicable Criteria

- Application Of Financial Ratios And Adjustments: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.htm
- Complexity Level Of Financial Instruments: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-55.htm
- Default Recognition: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm
- Rating Process and Timeline: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-67.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
04 Jan	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	9.24	ACUITE BB+ Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BB Stable)
2023	Term Loan	Long Term	15.76	ACUITE BB+ Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BB Stable)
01 Dec	Term Loan	Long Term	15.76	ACUITE BB Stable (Reaffirmed)
2022	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	9.24	ACUITE BB Stable (Reaffirmed)
14 Sep	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	5.23	ACUITE BB Positive (Assigned)
2021	Term Loan	Long Term	19.77	ACUITE BB Positive (Upgraded from ACUITE BB- Stable)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Complexity Level	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Not Applicable	Not avl. / Not appl.	Proposed Long Term Loan	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	9.24	ACUITE BB+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
State Bank of India	Not avl. / Not appl.	Term Loan	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	15.76	ACUITE BB+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*

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