



**Press Release**  
**Sowbhagyalakshmi Raw And Boiled Rice Mill**  
**October 10, 2024**  
**Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating**

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	40.00	ACUITE D   Reaffirmed   Issuer not co-operating*	-
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	40.00	-	-
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-

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

**Rating Rationale**

Acuite has reaffirmed the long-term rating to ‘**ACUITE D**’ (read as **ACUITE Do**)n the Rs.40.00 crore bank facilities of Sowbhagyalakshmi Raw and Boiled Rice Mill (SRB). The rating continues to be flagged as “Issuer Not-Cooperating” and is based on the best available information.

**About the Company**

Andhra Pradesh-based, Sowbhagyalakshmi Raw and Boiled Rice Mill (SRB) established in the year 1988 is engaged in the business of milling, processing and marketing of non-basmati rice. SRB has been promoted by Mr V Gopal Naidu and his family members.

**About the Group**

SRB is part of ‘Sowbhagya group’ which include other firms namely: Sri Sowbhagya Lakshmi Paddy Boiling Industries (SLPB) and Sri Bhagavan Venkaiah Swamy Rice Mill (SBVS) established in the year 1996 and 2001 respectively; both the firms are engaged in processing of paddy into rice and its by-products of broken rice, bran, and husk. All the units of these firms are located in and around Nellore, Andhra Pradesh. On a consolidated basis, the Sowbhagya Group has a milling capacity of around 490 tonnes per day (TPD). The group sells in domestic market under the brands of ‘Amrutham’, ‘Sowbhagya’, ‘Sowbhagya lakshmi’, ‘Mahavishnu’ and ‘Venkaiah Swamy’.

**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.

### **About the Rated Entity - Key Financials**

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

### **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

### **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>
- Default Recognition: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm>
- Consolidation Of Companies: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-60.htm>

### **Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument**

In order to inform the investors about complexity of instruments, Acuité 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](http://www.acuite.in).

## Rating History

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
14 Jul 2023	Cash Credit	Long Term	25.00	ACUITE D (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	1.00	ACUITE D (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	14.00	ACUITE D (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
18 Apr 2022	Cash Credit	Long Term	25.00	ACUITE D (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BB+)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	1.00	ACUITE D (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BB+)
	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	14.00	ACUITE D (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BB+)
18 Jan 2021	Cash Credit	Long Term	25.00	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BBB-   Stable)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	1.00	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BBB-   Stable)
	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	14.00	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BBB-   Stable)

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## Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Complexity Level	Rating
State Bank of India	Not avl. / Not appl.	Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	25.00	Simple	ACUITE D   Reaffirmed   Issuer not co-operating*
State Bank of India	Not avl. / Not appl.	Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	1.00	Simple	ACUITE D   Reaffirmed   Issuer not co-operating*
Not Applicable	Not avl. / Not appl.	Proposed Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	14.00	Simple	ACUITE D   Reaffirmed   Issuer not co-operating*

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