## Press Release
## SIFTI RICE MILLS
## October 07, 2025
### Rating Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating

| Product | Quantum (Rs. Cr) | Long Term Rating | Short Term Rating |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Bank Loan Ratings** | 50.50 | ACUITE C \| Downgraded \| Issuer not co-operating* | - |
| **Bank Loan Ratings** | 0.50 | - | ACUITE A4 \| Downgraded \| Issuer not co-operating* |
| **Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)** | 51.00 | - | - |
| **Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)** | 0.00 | - | - |

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

### Rating Rationale

Acuite has downgarded the long term rating to "**ACUITE C" (read as ACUITE C)** from **"ACUITE BB" (read as ACUITE Double B)** on Rs.50.50 crore and short term rating to "**ACUITE A4" (read as ACUITE A Four)** from **"ACUITE A4+"(read as ACUITE A Four Plus)** on Rs. 0.50 crore bank facilities of Sifti Rice Mills. The rating is now flagged as "Issuer Not Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.
The downgrade is based on delays being reflected in the Credit Bureau Information report in the long-term loan in the month of January 2025 and classified the same as SMA0.

### About the Company

Sifti Rice Mills is a Punjab based partnership firm established in 2000 by Mr. Vinod Kumar. The firm is engaged in processing of basmati rice. It processes two types of basmati rice: Permal and Pusa. Main raw material for the business paddy. Currently the firm is being managed by Mr. Vinod Kumar, Mrs. Parveen Rani, Mr. Sanjeev Chada and Mrs. Kriti Chada.

### 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 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 Acuité's policies.

### Limitation regarding information availability

This rating is based on information available from sources other than the issuer / borrower (in the absence of information provided by the issuer / borrower) . Acuite endeavoured to gather information about the entity/industry from the public domain. Any rating with the suffix 'Issuer not cooperating' is assigned without any management interaction with the issuer entity or any data / information from the entity. Sometimes this non co-operation by a rated entity may be due to a result of deterioration in the credit risk profile of the entity. 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. | 170.24 | 102.81 |
| PAT | Rs. Cr. | 2.80 | 1.04 |
| PAT Margin | (%) | 1.64 | 1.02 |
| Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth | Times | 3.51 | 3.73 |
| PBDIT/Interest | Times | 2.46 | 2.15 |

## 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
• Default Recognition: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm
• Manufacturing Entities: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.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.

## Rating History

| Date | Name of Instruments/Facilities | Term | Amount (Rs. Cr) | Rating/Outlook |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 19 Jul 2024 | Bank Guarantee (BLR) | Short Term | 0.50 | ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed) |
| | Cash Credit | Long Term | 20.00 | ACUITE BB \| Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| | Cash Credit | Long Term | 20.00 | ACUITE BB \| Stable (Assigned) |
| | Term Loan | Long Term | 2.63 | ACUITE BB \| Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| | Proposed Long Term Bank Facility | Long Term | 4.27 | ACUITE BB \| Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| | Proposed Long Term Bank Facility | Long Term | 1.16 | ACUITE BB \| Stable (Assigned) |
| | Covid Emergency Line. | Long Term | 2.32 | ACUITE BB \| Stable (Assigned) |
| | Covid Emergency Line. | Long Term | 0.12 | ACUITE BB \| Stable (Assigned) |
| 05 May 2023 | Bank Guarantee (BLR) | Short Term | 0.50 | ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed) |
| | Cash Credit | Long Term | 20.00 | ACUITE BB \| Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BB- \| Stable) |
| | Term Loan | Long Term | 0.36 | ACUITE BB \| Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BB- \| Stable) |
| | Term Loan | Long Term | 6.00 | ACUITE BB \| Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BB- \| Stable) |
| | Proposed Long Term Bank Facility | Long Term | 0.54 | ACUITE BB \| Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BB- \| Stable) |
| 27 Apr 2022 | Bank Guarantee (BLR) | Short Term | 0.50 | ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed) |
| | Cash Credit | Long Term | 20.00 | ACUITE BB- \| Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| | Term Loan | Long Term | 0.36 | ACUITE BB- \| Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| | Term Loan | Long Term | 6.00 | ACUITE BB- \| Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| | Proposed Long Term Bank Facility | Long Term | 0.54 | ACUITE BB- \| Stable (Reaffirmed) |

## Annexure - Details of instruments rated

| Lender's Name | ISIN | Facilities | Date Of Issuance | Coupon Rate | Maturity Date | Quantum (Rs. Cr.) | Complexity Level | Rating |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Punjab National Bank | Not avl. / Not appl. | Bank Guarantee (BLR) | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | 0.50 | Simple | ACUITE A4 \| Downgraded \| Issuer not co-operating* ( from ACUITE A4+ ) |
| Punjab National Bank | Not avl. / Not appl. | Cash Credit | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | 40.00 | Simple | ACUITE C \| Downgraded \| Issuer not co-operating* ( from ACUITE BB ) |
| Punjab National Bank | Not avl. / Not appl. | Covid Emergency Line. | 23 Dec 2021 | Not avl. / Not appl. | 21 Nov 2026 | 2.32 | Simple | ACUITE C \| Downgraded \| Issuer not co-operating* ( from ACUITE BB ) |
| Punjab National Bank | Not avl. / Not appl. | Covid Emergency Line. | 27 Aug 2020 | Not avl. / Not appl. | 30 Aug 2024 | 0.12 | Simple | ACUITE C \| Downgraded \| Issuer not co-operating* ( from ACUITE BB ) |
| Not Applicable | Not avl. / Not appl. | Proposed Long Term Bank Facility | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | 5.43 | Simple | ACUITE C \| Downgraded \| Issuer not co-operating* ( from ACUITE BB ) |
| Punjab National Bank | Not avl. / Not appl. | Term Loan | 21 Nov 2019 | Not avl. / Not appl. | 20 Jan 2027 | 2.63 | Simple | ACUITE C \| Downgraded \| Issuer not co-operating* ( from ACUITE BB ) |

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## Disclosure of list of non-cooperative issuers

- Listed :- https://www.acuite.in/Non-Cooperative_Issuer_Listed.php
- Unlisted :- https://www.acuite.in/Non-Cooperative_Issuer_Unlisted.php

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