

Press Release Akara Capital Advisors Private Limited July 11, 2024 Rating Withdrawn



| Product | Quantum (Rs. Cr) | Long Term Rating | Short Term Rating |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Bank Loan Ratings | 10.00 | Not Applicable Withdrawn | - |
| Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr) | 0.00 | - | - |
| Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr) | 10.00 | - | - |

Rating Rationale

Acuité has withdrawn the long-term rating on the Rs. 10.00 Cr. bank facilities without assigning any rating of Akara Capital Advisors Private Limited as the instrument is fully repaid. The withdrawal is on account of request received from client and NDC recived from the banker. The rating withdrawal is in accordance with Acuité's policy on withdrawal of rating as applicable to the respective facility / instrument.

About the Company

Incorporated in 2016, Akara Capital Advisors Private Limited (ACAPL) is a Delhi based Nondeposit taking NBFC (ND-NBFC) registered with RBI effective 2017. ACAPL is promoted by Mr. Tushar Aggarwal and Mrs. Shruti Aggarwal, who collectively have over two decades of experience in financial services. ACAPL is engaged in lending customized personal loan products ranging Rs.0.01 lacs to Rs.5 lacs, primarily to salaried customer segment. The company is originating and disbursing loan through 'Stashfin', a platform developed and operated by group company, EQX Analytics Private Limited (EAPL). The company's AUM stood at Rs.1839.36 Cr. as on March 2024.

About the Group

Morus Technologies Pte Limited (MTPL) is a Singapore based company that commenced its operations in 2017 and is engaged in providing lending and tech services through its subsidiaries, ACAPL and EAPL respectively. MTPL is promoted by Mr. Tushar Aggarwal and Mr. Parikshit Chitalkar and is backed by investors like Tencent Cloud Europe BV and Uncorrelated Ventures and senior investment professionals of KKR.

About the Guarantor

Northern Arc, previously known as IFMR Capital Finance Ltd., is a Non-Deposit taking NonBanking Financial Company (ND-NBFC) incorporated in 1989. It is involved in the placement (arranging funding for its clients via loan syndication, securitisation and assignment among others) and lending business. The company acts as a link between mainstream capital markets investors and highquality last mile lending institutions and businesses. The company's business is categorized as finance sector exposure, i.e., microfinance, affordable housing finance, commercial vehicle finance, consumer finance, agri-finance and small business loans, and non-finance sector exposure, i.e., mid-market finance and corporates.

Unsupported Rating

Not Applicable

Analytical Approach

Extent of Consolidation-Not Applicable

Rationale for Consolidation or Parent / Group / Govt. Support Not Applicable

Key Rating Drivers

Strength Not Applicable

Weakness Not Applicable

ESG Factors Relevant for Rating

Not Applicable

Rating Sensitivity

Not Applicable

All Covenants (Applicable only for CE & SO Ratings)

Not Applicable

Liquidity Position

Not Applicable

Outlook

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

None

Key Financials - Standalone / Originator

| Particulars | Unit | FY24 (Audited) | FY23 (Restated - Audited) |
|------------------------------------|---------|----------------|---------------------------|
| Total Assets | Rs. Cr. | 1504.37 | 1433.51 |
| Total Income* | Rs. Cr. | 656.21 | 140.69 |
| PAT | Rs. Cr. | 68.82 | 7.8 |
| Net Worth | Rs. Cr. | 592.77 | 411.4 |
| Return on Average Assets (RoAA) | (%) | 4.69 | 0.76 |
| Return on Average Net Worth (RoNW) | (%) | 13.71 | 2.25 |
| Debt/Equity | Times | 1.48 | 2.4 |
| Gross NPA (Owned portfolio) | (%) | 4.98 | 4.03 |
| Net NPA (Owned portfolio) | (%) | 2.21 | 2.62 |

*Total income equals to Net Interest Income plus other income

Key Financials (Consolidated)

| | | | FY21 (Prov.) |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|--------------|
| Total Assets | Rs. Cr. | 782.88 | 308.19 |
| Total Income* | Rs. Cr. | 78.53 | 24.59 |
| PAT | Rs. Cr. | (22.09) | (17.43) |
| Net Worth | Rs. Cr. | 207.12 | 217.29 |
| Return on Average Assets (RoAA) | (%) | (4.05) | (11.31) |
| Return on Average Net Worth (RoNW) | (%) | (10.41) | (16.05) |
| Debt/Equity | Times | 2.61 | 0.34 |
| Gross NPA | (%) | N/A | N/A |
| Net NPA | (%) | N/A | N/A |

*Total income equals to Net Interest Income plus other income

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA (if applicable) Not applicable

Any Other Information

None

Applicable Criteria

- Non-Banking Financing Entities: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-44.htm
- Banks And Financial Institutions: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-45.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
- Complexity Level Of Financial Instruments: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-55.htm
- Explicit Credit Enhancements: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-49.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 |
|--------------------|--|--------------------|---|--|
| 28 Jun 2024 | Term Loan | Long Term | 10.00 | ACUITE BB+ (CE) (Downgraded & Issuer not co- operating* from ACUITE BBB (CE)) |
| | Term Loan | Long Term | 10.00 | ACUITE BBB (CE) (Downgraded & Issuer not co- operating* from ACUITE A- (CE) Stable) |
| 29 Dec | Proposed Term Loan | Long Term | | ACUITE Not Applicable (Withdrawn) |
| 2023 | Proposed Term Loan | Long Term | 15.00 | ACUITE Not Applicable (Withdrawn) |
| | Proposed Term Loan | Long Term | 100.00 | ACUITE Not Applicable (Withdrawn) |
| | Proposed Term Loan | Long Term | 15.00 | ACUITE BBB Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| 30 Sep | Proposed Term Loan | Long Term | 100.00 | ACUITE BBB Stable (Assigned) |
| 2022 | Proposed Term Loan | Long Term | 25.00 | ACUITE BBB Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| | Term Loan | Long Term | 10.00 | ACUITE A- (CE) Stable (Assigned) |
| | Proposed Term Loan | Long Term 15.00 | | ACUITE BBB Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| 01 Jul 2022 | Proposed Term Loan | Long Term | 25.00 | ACUITE BBB Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| Proposed Term Loan | | Long Term | 10.00 | ACUITE Provisional A- (CE) Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| | Proposed Long Term Long Loan Term 10.00 ACUITE Provis | | ACUITE Provisional A- (CE) Stable (Assigned) | |
| 04 Apr 2022 | Proposed Long Term Loan | Long Term | 25.00 | ACUITE BBB Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| | Proposed Long Term Loan | Long Term | 15.00 | ACUITE BBB Stable (Reaffirmed) |
| 30 Dec | Proposed Long Term Long 25.00 ACUITE BBB | | ACUITE BBB Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BBB- Stable) | |
| 2021 | Proposed Long Term Bank Facility | Long Term | 15.00 | ACUITE BBB Stable (Assigned) |

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

| Lender's Name | ISIN | Facilities | Date Of Issuance | • | Maturity Date | Complexity Level | Quantum (Rs. Cr.) | Rating |
|--|--|--------------|-------------------------|---|------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Hinduja Leyland Finance Ltd. | avl. / | Term Loan | Not avl. / Not appl. | | 27 Jun 2024 | Simple | 10.00 | Not Applicable Withdrawn |
| *Annexure 2 - List of Entities (applicable for Consolidation or Parent / Group / Govt. Support) | | | | | | | | |
| Sr.No. Company Name | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Akara Capital Advisors Private Limited | | | | | | | |

| 1 | (ACAPL) |
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| 2 | Morus Technology Private Limited (MTPL) |
| 3 | EQX Analytics Private Limited (EAPL) |

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