



#### **Press Release**

# Ambica Cotseeds Limited November 12, 2024 Rating Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating	
Bank Loan Ratings	30.00	-	ACUITE A4   Downgraded   Issuer not cooperating*	
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	30.00	-	-	
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-	
* The issuer did not co-operate; based on best available information.				

# **Rating Rationale**

Acuité has downgraded the short-term rating to 'ACUITE A4' (read as ACUITE A four)from 'ACUITE A4+' (read as ACUITE A four plus)on the Rs. 30.00 Cr. bank facilities of Ambica Cotseeds Limited (ACL). The downgraded is on account of information risk. The rating is now flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" on account of information risk and is based on the best available information.

# **About the Company**

Based in Gujarat, Ambica Cotseeds Limited (ACL), was incorporated in 2011 by Mr. Bharatbhai Prahaladbhai Patel and family. ACL is engaged in the exports of cotton bales, cotton yarn and cotton waste. ACL exports to Pakistan, China, Bangladesh, Vietnam, Thailand, Taiwan, Japan, Europe and America. The remaining is sold in the domestic market in Gujarat. They have altered their structure to a sole agency (the agent hired is responsible to only sell products of ACL) in Pakistan and China. Goods are procured from Gujarat, Maharashtra, AP and Rajasthan and even from its group companies Vivekanand Industries and Vivekanand Cotspin LLP. The company is involved in 50% trading and 50% manufacturing.

# **About the Group**

# Vivekanand Cotspin LLP

Vivekanand Cotspin LLP (VCL) is a Gujarat-based entity established in 2015 and promoted by Mr. Bharatbhai Prahaladbhai Patel and family. The entity is engaged in the business of cotton ginning and spinning with an installed capacity of 400 bales per day with average capacity utilization of up to 320 bales per day and an installed capacity of 25000 spindles with average utilization of 98 percent.

# **Vivekanand Industries**

Gujarat-based, Vivekanand Industries (VI) was established in 1983 by Mr. Bharatbhai Prahaladbhai Patel and family. The firm is engaged in cotton ginning, pressing and extraction of oil cakes. The company has 52 DR machines with aninstalled capacity to manufacture 500 bales per day with an average capacity utilization of 98 percent and 11 expellers with an installed capacity to produce 1100 bags of 60 kg/day of cotton oil cakes with an average capacity utilization of 98 percent.

#### **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 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 (Provisional)	FY 22 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	752.17	971.68
PAT	Rs. Cr.	1.54	2.16
PAT Margin	(%)	0.21	0.22
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	0.98	1.59
PBDIT/Interest	Times	2.02	1.67

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
- Consolidation Of Companies: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-60.htm
- Default Recognition: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm
- Manufacturing Entities: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.htm
- Trading Entitie: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-61.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
19 Aug 2023	PC/PCFC	Short Term	30.00	ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed)
31 May 2022	PC/PCFC	Short Term	20.00	ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)
31 Way 2022	Proposed Long Term Bank Facility	Long Term	10.00	ACUITE BB+   Stable (Assigned)

# Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate		Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Complexity Level	Rating
The Kalupur Commercial Cooperative Bank	Not avl. / Not appl.	PC/PCFC	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	30.00	Simple	ACUITE A4   Downgraded   Issuer not co-operating* ( from ACUITE A4+ )

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

\*Annexure 2 - List of Entities (applicable for Consolidation or Parent / Group / Govt. Support)

Sr. No.	Company name
1	Ambica Cotseeds Limited
2	Vivekanand Cotspin LLP
3	Vivekanand Industries

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