



Press Release

AJAY BUILDERS ENGINEERS AND CONSTRUCTION (OPC) PRIVATE LIMITED

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Rating Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	11.00	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*	-
Bank Loan Ratings	56.00	-	ACUITE A4 Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	67.00	-	-
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-

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

Rating Rationale

Acuité has downgraded the long-term rating to 'ACUITE BB-' (read as ACUITE Double B minus) from 'ACUITE BB' (read as ACUITE Double B) and short-term rating to 'ACUITE A4' (read as ACUITE A four) from 'ACUITE A4+' (read as ACUITE A four plus) on the Rs.67.00 crore bank facilities of Ajay Builders Engineers And Construction (OPC) Private Limited. The rating is now flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" on account of information risk and is based on the best available information. The rating has been downgraded on account of information risk.

About the Company

Ajay Builders Engineers and Construction (OPC) Private Limited (earlier known as Ajay Builders) was established as a partnership firm in 2001. The OPC was incorporated on 16 November 2020 by Mr. Ajay Singh and is located at Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh). The partnership entity continued operations till 31st March 2022 and the business was taken over by the OPC on 1st April 2022. The company is engaged in the business of civil and road construction for state and central Public Works Department.

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 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

This rating is based on information available from sources other than the issuer / borrower (in the absence of information provided by the issuer / borrower). Acuité 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-cooperation 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 Acuité to comment upon.

Liquidity Position

No information provided by the issuer / available for Acuité to comment upon.

Outlook: Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

None

Key Financials

Particulars	Unit	FY 24 (Actual)	FY 23 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	137.21	119.82
PAT	Rs. Cr.	6.98	5.60
PAT Margin	(%)	5.09	4.67
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	1.59	0.41
PBDIT/Interest	Times	7.75	6.71

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

Not Applicable

Interaction with Audit Committee anytime in the last 12 months (applicable for rated-listed / proposed to be listed debt securities being reviewed by Acuite)

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>
- Infrastructure Sector: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-51.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
07 Mar 2024	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	26.00	ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	22.75	ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	7.25	ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	2.25	ACUITE BB Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	2.75	ACUITE BB Stable (Assigned)
	Dropline Overdraft	Long Term	1.00	ACUITE BB Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB Stable (Reaffirmed)
18 Aug 2023	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	26.00	ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)
	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	22.75	ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB Stable (Assigned)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	2.25	ACUITE BB Stable (Assigned)
	Dropline Overdraft	Long Term	1.00	ACUITE BB Stable (Assigned)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Complexity Level	Rating
HDFC Bank Ltd	Not avl. / Not appl.	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	26.00	Simple	ACUITE A4 Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE A4+)
Punjab National Bank	Not avl. / Not appl.	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	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+)
HDFC Bank Ltd	Not avl. / Not appl.	Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	5.00	Simple	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE BB)
Punjab National Bank	Not avl. / Not appl.	Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	5.00	Simple	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE BB)
HDFC Bank Ltd	Not avl. / Not appl.	Dropline Overdraft	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	1.00	Simple	ACUITE BB- Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE BB)

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