

Press Release

Latha Educational Society

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Rating Update



Total Bank Facilities Rated*	Rs. 9.66 Cr.#
Long Term Rating	ACUITE D Issuer not co-operating*

#refer Annexure for details

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

Rating Rationale

ACUITE has reviewed the long term rating of '**ACUITE D**' (read as **ACUITE D**) on the Rs.9.66 crore bank facilities of Latha Educational Society (LES). This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information.

Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower:

Acuite 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.

This rating is therefore being flagged as "Issuer not-cooperating", in line with prevailing SEBI regulations and Acuite's policies.

Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-17.htm>
- Entities in service sector - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-8.htm>

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). Acuite endeavoured to gather information about the entity / industry from the public domain. Therefore, Acuite cautions lenders and investors regarding the use of such information, on which the indicative credit rating is based.

About the Rated Entity - Key Financials

	Unit	FY15 (Actual)	FY14 (Actual)	FY13 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	10.79	7.20	4.21
EBITDA	Rs. Cr.	5.97	4.48	2.97
PAT	Rs. Cr.	2.33	1.97	1.86
EBITDA Margin	(%)	55.37	62.22	70.54
PAT Margin	(%)	21.64	27.40	44.25
ROCE	(%)	20.08	20.31	38.29
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	0.96	1.37	1.19
PBDIT/Interest	Times	4.22	4.11	6.21
Total Debt/PBDIT	Times	1.60	2.31	2.24
Gross Current Assets (Days)	Days	-	-	-

About the Rated Entity:

Latha Educational Society (LES) is a Tamil Nadu based trust established in 1993 by the Late Mr. Chinnasamy and Mr. Murugan. The trust runs Sakthi Matric Higher Secondary School at Chinnasalem, Tamil Nadu.

For FY2014-15, LES reported profit after tax (PAT) of Rs.2.33 crore on operating income of Rs.10.79 crore, as compared with PAT of Rs.1.97 crore on operating income of Rs.7.20 crore.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA (if applicable)

None

Any other information

Acuite is yet to receive the latest No Default Statement (NDS) from the rated entity, despite repeated requests and follow-ups.

Rating History (Upto last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Ratings/Outlook
27-Sep-2017	Term Loan	Long term	9.66	ACUITE D (Indicative)
09-Aug-2016	Term Loan	Long term	9.66	ACUITE D (Assigned)

*Annexure – Details of instruments rated

Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. Crore)	Ratings/Outlook
Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	9.66	ACUITE D Issuer not co-operating*

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