



## Press Release

### Bijapur Hungund Tollway Private Limited (BHTPL)

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#### Rating Update

<b>Total Bank Facilities Rated*</b>	Rs.846.50 Cr.#
<b>Long Term Rating</b>	ACUITE BBB Issuer not co-operating*

#Refer Annexure for details

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

#### Rating Rationale

Acuité has reviewed the long-term rating of '**ACUITE BBB**' (**read as ACUITE triple B**) on the Rs.846.50 crore bank facilities of Bijapur Hungund Tollway Private(BHTPL). This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information.

#### 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.

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

#### Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition -<https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-17.htm>
- Infrastructure Entities- <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-14.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). Acuité 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.

#### About the Rated Entity:

BHTPL is a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV), promoted by Sadbhav Engineering Ltd (SEL) through its step down subsidiary Sadbhav Infrastructure Project Limited (SIPL) (77 per cent stake) and Monte Carlo Construction Limited (MCL) (23 per cent stake) for implementing a 97.22 km fourlaning road project under Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) basis. The project envisaged fourlaning of the Bijapur-Hungund section in the state of Karnataka on National Highway 13 (NH13). The project highway starts from Bijapur (Km 102.00 of NH 13) and ends at Hungund (Km 202.00 of NH 13). The project was awarded by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) on Toll collection basis, with a concession period of 20 years including the construction period of 910 days. The project achieved its COD in April 2012.

For FY2015-16, BHTPL registered operating income of Rs.114.77 crore and networth of Rs.207.89 crore as against operating income of Rs. 104.35 crore and networth of Rs.246.55 crore in FY2014-15.

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

None

### Any other information

Acuité 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
19-Jan-17	Term Loan	Long term	846.50	ACUITE BBB Issuer Non Cooperating*
25-May-15	Term Loan	Long term	846.50	ACUITE BBB /Stable (Upgraded)
30-Apr-15	Term Loan	Long term	846.50	ACUITE BBB- (Assigned)

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

### \*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	846.50	ACUITE BBB Issuer not co-operating*

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