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Arunachal Tea & Industries Pvt. Ltd.: Rating continues to remain under issuer Non-Cooperating category, Rating downgraded based on best available information

Summary of rating action

Instrument^	Previous Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
Long Term-Fund Based-Cash Credit	3.60	3.60	[ICRA]B+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING *; Rating downgraded from [ICRA]BB+ (Stable) and Continues to remain under the 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Long Term- Unallocated limits	6.31	6.31	[ICRA]B+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING *; Rating downgraded from [ICRA]BB+ (Stable) and Continues to remain under the 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Total	9.91	9.91	

*Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information.

^Instrument details are provided in Annexure-1

s opinion on the rating without factoring in the explicit credit enhancement.

Rationale

The ratings downgrade is because of lack of adequate information regarding Arunachal Tea & Industries Pvt. Ltd's performance and hence the uncertainty around its credit risk. ICRA assesses whether the information available about the entity is commensurate with its rating and reviews the same as per its "Policy in respect of non-cooperation by a rated entity" available at www.icra.in. The lenders, investors and other market participants are thus advised to exercise appropriate caution while using this rating as the rating may not adequately reflect the credit risk profile of the entity, despite the downgrade.

As part of its process and in accordance with its rating agreement with Arunachal Tea & Industries Pvt. Ltd, Further, ICRA has been sending repeated reminders to the entity but despite repeated requests by ICRA, the entity's management has remained non-cooperative. The current rating action has been taken by ICRA basis best available/dated/ limited information on the issuers' performance. Accordingly, the lenders, investors and other market participants are advised to exercise appropriate caution while using this rating as the rating may not adequately reflect the credit risk profile of the entity. The rating action has been taken in accordance with ICRA's policy in respect of non-cooperation by a rated entity available at <u>www.icra.in</u>.

Please refer to the following link for the previous detailed rationale that captures Key rating drivers and their description, Liquidity position, Rating sensitivities, Key financial indicators: <u>Click here.</u> ICRA is unable to provide this information due to non-cooperation by the entity.

Analytical approach

Analytical Approach	Comments
Applicable Rating Methodologies	Corporate Credit Rating Methodology Policy in respect of non-cooperation by the rated entity
Parent/Group Support	NA
Consolidation/Standalone	For arriving at the rating, ICRA has consolidated the financials of the Group entities (as mentioned in Annexure -2) given the close business, financial and managerial linkages among them



About the company

Arunachal Tea & Industries Pvt. Ltd. (ATIPL), incorporated in 1943, owns a tea garden in Dibrugarh district of Assam, which is spread over a cultivable area of 221 HA. The company belongs to the Jalan Group, which is involved in the tea business under the leadership of Mr. Manoj Jalan. ATIPL mainly manufactures orthodox variety of black tea, which is sold in the domestic market through a mix of auction and private sales.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

		Current Rating (FY2023)				Chronology of Rating History for the past 3 years			
	Instrument	Туре	Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore)	Date & Rating in	Date & Rating in FY2022	Date & Rating in FY2021	Date & Rating in FY2020	
			crorey		21-Sep-2022	04-Aug-2021	-	24-Mar-2020	11-Jun-2019
1	Cash Credit	Long- term	3.60	-	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]BB+ (Stable) ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	-	[ICRA]BBB- (Negative)	[ICRA]BBB- (Stable)
2	Unallocated limits	Long- term	6.31	-	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]BB+ (Stable) ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	-	[ICRA]BBB- (Negative)	[ICRA]BBB- (Stable)

Complexity level of the rated instrument

Instrument	Complexity Indicator	
Cash Credit	Simple	
Unallocated limits	Not Applicable	

The Complexity Indicator refers to the ease with which the returns associated with the rated instrument could be estimated. It does not indicate the risk related to the timely payments on the instrument, which is rather indicated by the instrument's credit rating. It also does not indicate the complexity associated with analysing an entity's financial, business, industry risks or complexity related to the structural, transactional, or legal aspects. Details on the complexity levels of the instruments, is available on ICRA's website: www.icra.in



Annexure-1: Instrument details

ISIN No	Instrument Name	Date of Issuance / Sanction	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Amount Rated (RS Crore)	Current Rating and Outlook
NA	Cash Credit	-	-	-	3.60	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) ISSUER NOT COOPERATING
NA	Unallocated limits	-	-	-	6.31	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) ISSUER NOT COOPERATING

Source: Arunachal Tea & Industries Pvt. Ltd.

Annexure-2: List of entities considered for consolidated analysis:

Company Name	Ownership	Consolidation Approach		
Ethelwold Estate Pvt. Ltd.	-	Full Consolidation		
Limbuguri Tea Estate Pvt. Ltd.	-	Full Consolidation		



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