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NIS Management Limited: Ratings Moved to 'Issuer Not Cooperating' Category

Summary of rating action

Instrument [^]	Previous Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
Long term – Fund based – Term Loans	13.80	13.80	[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable) ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating moved to 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Long term – Fund based – Cash Credit	56.00	56.00	[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable) ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating moved to 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Short term – Non-fund based – Bank Guarantee	12.00	12.00	[ICRA]A2 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating moved to 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Total	81.80	81.80	

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

[^]Instrument details are provided in Annexure-1

Rationale

ICRA has moved the ratings for the bank facilities of **NIS Management Limited** to the 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category. The ratings are denoted as "[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable)/[ICRA]A2 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING".

As part of its process and in accordance with its rating agreement with **NIS Management Limited**, ICRA has been trying to seek information from the entity so as to monitor its performance, but despite repeated requests by ICRA, the entity's management has remained non-cooperative. In the absence of requisite information and in line with the aforesaid policy of ICRA, a rating view has been taken on the entity based on the best available information.

Please refer to the following link for the previous detailed rationale that captures the Key rating drivers and their description, Liquidity position, Rating sensitivities : [Click here](#). ICRA is unable to provide the latest information because of non-cooperation by the entity.

Analytical approach

Analytical Approach	Comments
Applicable rating methodologies	Corporate Credit Rating Methodology Policy in respect of Non-cooperation by a rated entity
Parent/Group support	Not applicable
Consolidation/Standalone	The ratings are based on the consolidated financial statements of the rated entity along with its five subsidiaries (as mentioned in Annexure-II).

About the company

NIS Management Limited is the flagship entity of the Kolkata-based NIS Group, promoted by Mr. Debajit Choudhury and Mrs. Rina Choudhury. It commenced operations in 1985 as a firm named National Investigation and Security for providing integrated security solutions. In March 2006, the firm was converted into a private limited company named NIS Management Private Limited. In June 2018, it was converted into a public limited company and the name was changed to NIS Management Limited. The company, in addition to security service, provides facility management services including housekeeping, technical

maintenance and support etc. across many states in India. However, it derives the major portion of its revenues from West Bengal.

Key financial indicators (audited)

NIS	Standalone		Consolidated	
	FY2022	FY2023	FY2022	FY2023
Operating income (Rs. crore)	265.7	305.1	294.2	340.6
PAT (Rs. crore)	11.6	12.3	13.8	15.0
OPBDIT/OI (%)	8.0%	7.6%	9.0%	8.4%
PAT/OI (%)	4.4%	4.0%	4.7%	4.4%
Total outside liabilities/Tangible net worth (times)	0.9	0.7	1.2	1.0
Total debt/OPBDIT (times)	3.2	2.9	3.3	3.2
Interest coverage (times)	4.1	3.6	3.7	3.4

PAT: Profit after tax; OPBDIT: Operating profit before depreciation, interest, taxes and amortisation; Amount in Rs crore; Source: Company, MCA

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA:

CRA	PR Date	Rating Action
CRISIL	July 18, 2023	CRISIL B/Stable (ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Revised from CRISIL BB+/Stable ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)

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Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

Current Rating (FY2024)				Chronology of Rating History for the past 3 years				
Instrument	Type	Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Amount Outstanding as of March 31, 2023 (Rs. crore)	Date & Rating in	Date & Rating in FY2023		Date & Rating in FY2022	Date & Rating in FY2021
				Nov 21, 2023	Aug 04, 2022	Jul 19, 2022	Apr 05, 2021	Feb 12, 2021
1 Fund Based – Term Loan	Long term	13.80	10.8	[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable)	-	-	-
2 Fund Based – Cash Credit	Long term	56.00	-	[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable)	[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable) ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable)	[ICRA]BB+ (Stable) ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
3 Non-Fund Based – Bank Guarantee	Short Term	12.00	-	[ICRA]A2; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	[ICRA]A2	[ICRA]A2 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	[ICRA]A2	[ICRA]A4+ ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Complexity level of the rated instrument

Instrument	Complexity Indicator
Long term - Fund based – Term Loans	Simple
Long term - Fund based – Cash Credit	Simple

Short term - non-fund based – Bank Guarantee

Very simple

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: [Click Here](#)

Annexure-I: Instrument details

ISIN No	Instrument Name	Date of Issuance / Sanction	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Amount Rated (RS Crore)	Current Rating and Outlook
-	Term Loan-I	Aug 28, 2020	-	Jul 2022	3.00	[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
-	Term Loan-II	Nov 22, 2021	-	Nov 2026	10.80	[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
-	Cash Credit	-	-	-	56.00	[ICRA]BBB+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
-	Bank Guarantee	-	-	-	12.00	[ICRA]A2; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

Source: Company; *Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information

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

Company Name	NIS ownership	Consolidation Approach
NIS Facility Management Services Private Limited	100.00%	Full Consolidation
NIS Ace Management Private Limited	99.86%	Full Consolidation
Keertika Academy Private Limited	99.86%	Full Consolidation
Keertika Education & Associates LLP [^]	99.97%	Full Consolidation
Achilles Resolute Private Limited	51.00%	Full Consolidation

Source: NIS' annual report for FY2023; [^]NIS has provided a corporate guarantee of Rs. 5.15 crore for loans availed by Keertika Education & Associates LLP

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