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Steel & Metals: Continues to remain under issuer non-cooperating category

Summary of rating action

Instrument [^]	Previous Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
Short Term- Non-Fund Based- Others	0.90	0.90	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating continues to remain under 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Long Term / Short Term- Unallocated	4.60	4.60	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*/[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating continues to remain under 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Long Term- Fund Based-Cash Credit	5.50	5.50	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating continues to remain under 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Total	11.00	11.00	

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

[^]Instrument details are provided in Annexure-1

Rationale

ICRA has kept the Long-term and Short-term rating of Steel & Metals in the 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category. The rating is denoted as "[ICRA]B+(Stable)/[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING".

As part of its process and in accordance with its rating agreement with Steel & Metals, ICRA has been trying to seek information from the entity so as to monitor its performance. Further, ICRA has been sending repeated reminders to the entity for payment of surveillance fee that became due. Despite multiple 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, the rating has been continued to the "Issuer Not Cooperating" category. The rating is based on the best available information.

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: [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	Policy in respect of non-cooperation by the rated entity Corporate Credit Rating Methodology
Parent/Group Support	NA
Consolidation/Standalone	Standalone

About the company

Steel & Metals was set up as a partnership firm in 1979 by Mr. Bihari Lal Ajitsaria and Mr. Arun Kumar Ajitsaria, and is engaged in the trading of aluminium products and steel sheets. At present, SM has two warehousing facilities in West Bengal.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

	Instrument	Current Rating (FY2024)				Chronology of Rating History for the past 3 years		
		Type	Amount Rated (Rs. Crore)	Amount Outstanding (Rs. Crore)	Date & Rating in	Date & Rating in FY2023	Date & Rating in FY2022	Date & Rating in FY2021
					05-February-2024	30-Nov-2022	28-Oct-2021	20-August-2020
1	Non-Fund Based- Others	Short Term	0.90	-	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING
2	Unallocated	Long Term / Short Term	4.60	-	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) ; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING/ [ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) ; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING/ [ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) ; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING / [ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) ; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING/ [ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING
3	Fund Based- Cash Credit	Long Term	5.50	-	[ICRA]B+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING

Complexity level of the rated instrument

Instrument	Complexity Indicator
Non-Fund Based- Others	Very Simple
Unallocated	Not Applicable
Fund Based-Cash Credit	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-1: Instrument details

ISIN No	Instrument Name	Date of Issuance / Sanction	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Amount Rated (RS Crore)	Current Rating and Outlook
NA	Non-Fund Based- Others	NA	NA	NA	0.90	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING
NA	Unallocated	NA	NA	NA	4.60	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) ; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING / [ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING
NA	Fund Based-Cash Credit	NA	NA	NA	5.50	[ICRA]B+ (Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING

Source: Steel & Metals

Annexure-2: List of entities considered for consolidated analysis: Not applicable

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