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Ramagundam Municipal Corporation: Continues to remain under issuer non-Cooperating category. Ratings downgraded based on best available information

Summary of rating action

Instrument [^]	Previous Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
Issuer rating	-	-	[ICRA]B+ (Stable) ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating downgraded from [ICRA]BB+ (Stable) and continues to remain in the 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Total	-	-	

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

[^]Instrument details are provided in Annexure-1

Rationale

The rating downgrade is because of lack of adequate information regarding Ramagundam Municipal Corporation 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 Ramagundam Municipal Corporation, ICRA has been trying to seek information from the entity so as to monitor its performance and ICRA has been sending repeated reminders to the entity for payment of surveillance fee that became due 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 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 Urban Local Bodies
Parent/Group Support	Not Applicable
Consolidation/Standalone	Standalone

About the company

The RMC was upgraded to a Municipal Corporation in 2010 from a selection-grade Municipality. The ULB provides municipal services to the city of Ramagundam, situated in the Peddapalli district of Telengana. It covers an area of 94 square kilometre (sq. km.) and serves a population of 2,52,610 (projected for 2021). The major functions of the RMC involve water supply,

sewerage, SWM, repair and maintenance of roads and street lighting in its area. The ULB is divided into 50 administrative zones and is governed by an elected body (Council) headed by a Mayor, while the Commissioner acts as the chief executive, overseeing its everyday functioning.

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	Date & Rating in	
					26-July-2023	23-May-2022	-	23-February-2021
1	Issuer rating	Long Term	-	-	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]BB+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	-	[ICRA]BBB-(Stable)

Complexity level of the rated instrument

Instrument	Complexity Indicator
Issuer rating	Not Applicable

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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	Issuer rating	-	-	-	-	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING

Source: Ramagundam Municipal Corporation

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

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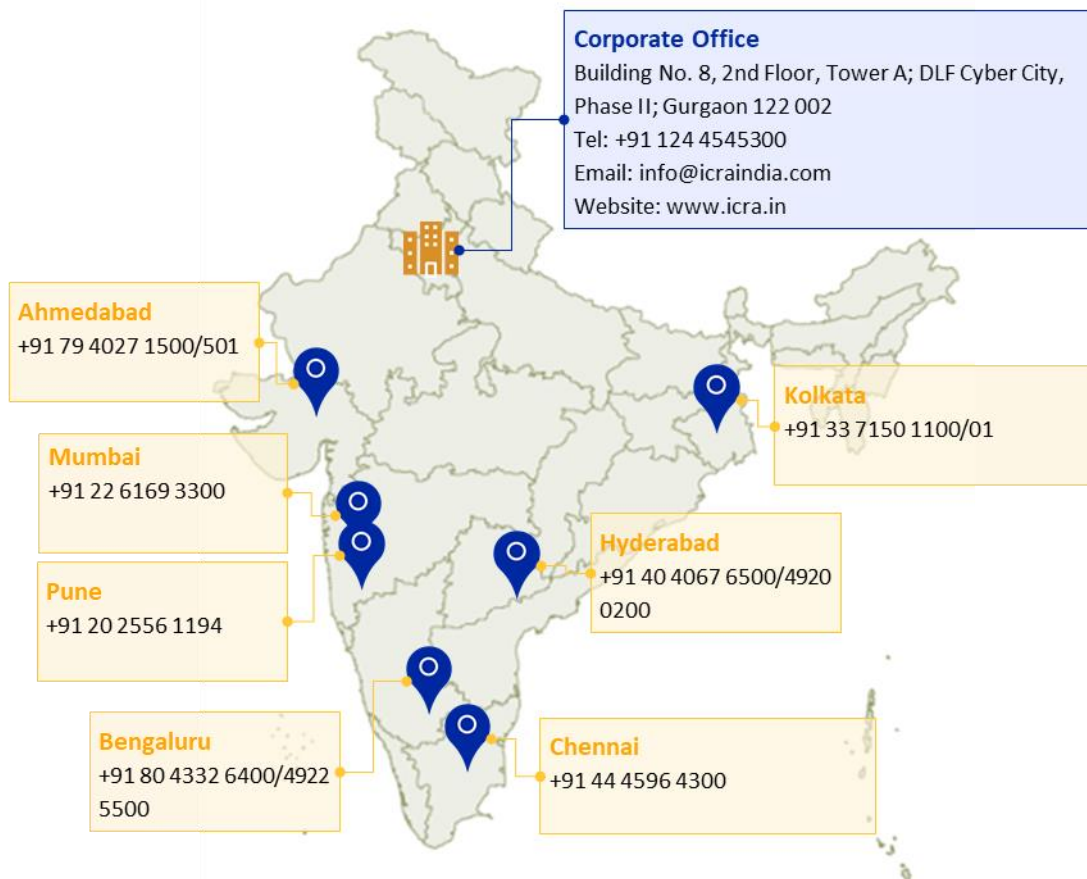
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