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Excel Foods Private Limited: 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
Long Term-Fund	14.00	14.00	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating
Based-Cash Credit			Continues to remain under issuer not cooperating category
Long Term-	0.50	0.50	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating
Fund Based-Term			Continues to remain under issuer not cooperating category
Loan			
Short Term-	0.50	0.50	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating Continues to
Non Fund Based-			remain under issuer not cooperating category
Others			
Total	15.00	15.00	

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

Rationale

ICRA has kept the Long-term and Short-term ratings for the bank facilities of Excel Foods Private Limited 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 Excel Foods Private Limited, 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 the Key rating drivers and their description, Liquidity position, Rating sensitivities, Key Financial Indicator: <u>Click here.</u> ICRA is unable to provide the latest information because of non-cooperation by the entity.

Analytical approach

Analytical Approach	Policy in respect of non-cooperation by the rated entity Corporate Credit Rating Methodology		
Applicable Rating Methodologies			
Parent/Group Support	Not Applicable		
Consolidation/Standalone	Standalone		

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[^]Instrument details are provided in Annexure-1



About the company

Incorporated in 1987, Excel Foods Private Limited (EFPL) processes and exports tropical fruit pulp (with focus mainly on products such as Alphonso Mango Pulp, Totapuri Mango pulp, Kesar Mango pulp, Pineapple Pulp, Guava Pulp and Papaya Pulp). It also markets bottled jams/sauces and juices under the private label of 'Excel Foods' catering primarily to institutions like hotels and restaurants locally i.e. in Hubli. With its processing facility located at Hubli, Karnataka, it is close to the mango growing belt of the western India which extends from Ratnagiri to Dharwad. Its peak processing capacity is 4500 MT per month. It sources both conventionally grown fruits and organically grown fruits. From 2011 onwards, the company has completely moved away from the job work model to its own processing and marketing of fruit pulp and juices primarily for the export market of Europe and USA.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: NA

Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

	Instrument	Current Rating (FY2025)				Chronology of Rating History for the past 3 years			
		Туре	Amount Rated		Date & Rating in	Date & Rating in FY2023	Date & Rating in FY2022	Date & Rating in FY2021	
			· .		04-April-2024	27-February- 2023	19-January-2022	23-November- 2020	
1	Cash Credit	Long Term	14.00	-	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	
2	Term Loan	Long Term	0.50	-	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	
3	Non Fund Based	Short Term	0.50	-	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	

Complexity level of the rated instrument

Instrument	Complexity Indicator		
Cash Credit	Simple		
Term Loan	Simple		
Non Fund Based	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

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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	Cash Credit	-	-	-	14.00	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING
NA	Term Loan	-	-	-	0.50	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING
NA	Non Fund Based	-	-	-	0.50	[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING

Source: Excel Foods Private Limited

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

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