

June 27, 2024

Punjab Genco limited: Rating downgraded and 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
Issuer Ratings	-	-	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating downgraded from [ICRA]BB+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING and continues to remain under 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 attributable to the lack of adequate information regarding Punjab Genco limited 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 Punjab Genco 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 : [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 Rating Methodology – Power - Solar
Parent/Group Support	NA
Consolidation/Standalone	Standalone

About the company

Punjab Genco Limited (PGL is a wholly owned subsidiary of Punjab Energy Development Agency, a nodal agency for the Government of Punjab) was incorporated in March 1998 to meet the statutory requirements of the Electricity Supply Act, 2003 for power generation. The main objective of the company is to identify projects based on new and renewable energy fuels, prepare techno-economic feasibility reports, identify and select suitable investors for implementation of such projects in joint/assisted sector or on build, operate and own (BOO) basis or at its own, including supervision and execution of such schemes. The company has a portfolio of 1MW of high-rate bio-methanation plant, 9.8 MW of mini-hydel plants (MHPs) and two solar PV plants of 0.25 MW capacity. All the assets are based in the state of Punjab.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

	Instrument	Current Rating (FY2025)				Chronology of Rating History for the past 3 years			
		Type	Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Amount Outstanding (Rs. Crore)	Date & Rating in FY2025	Date & Rating in FY2024	Date & Rating in FY2023	Date & Rating in FY2022	
					June 27, 2024	Mar 08, 2023	Dec 26, 2022	-	
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	NA

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

Source: Punjab Genco limited

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

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