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Ganga Papers India 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 Based-Cash Credit	6.00	6.00	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating continues to remain under 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Long Term / Short Term-Fund Based-Cash Credit	8.00	8.00	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING/[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating continues to remain under 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Total	**14.00**	**14.00**	

**Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information.*
^Instrument details are provided in Annexure-I

Rationale

ICRA has kept the Long-Term and Short-Term ratings of Ganga Papers India Limited in the 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category. The ratings are denoted as "[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING/[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING".

As part of its process and in accordance with its rating agreement with Ganga Papers India 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 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	Policy in respect of non-cooperation by the rated entity Corporate Credit Rating Methodology
Parent/Group Support	NA
Consolidation/Standalone	Standalone

About the company

Ganga Papers India Limited, GPIL (formerly Kasat Paper and Pulp Ltd) was incorporated in 1985. The company manufactures kraft paper and newsprint paper at its manufacturing facilities located in Pune, Maharashtra with total manufacturing capacity of 54000 MTPA. The company has 1.4 MW turbine primarily used for captive purpose.

The company was initially promoted by Mr Shrikant Mohanlal Kasat in 1985 and was taken public in 1996. The company was declared sick company and was registered with BIFR in 2003 due to adverse operating conditions. The plant remained non-operational between 2003 and 2006. Under the BIFR rehabilitation programme, it was taken over by new promoters, Mr Ramesh Chaudhary and Mr. Sharwan Kumar Kanodia in 2006.

Key financial indicators:

Standalone	FY 2023 (Rs. In Crore)	FY 2024 (Rs. In Crore)
Operating Income (Rs. crore)	297.95	245.82
PAT (Rs. crore)	3.25	1.48
OPBDITA/OI (%)	3.1%	2.9%
PAT/OI (%)	1.1%	0.6%
Total Outside Liabilities/Tangible Net Worth (times)	2.40	1.87
Total Debt/OPBDITA (times)	4.82	5.28
Interest Coverage (times)	3.31	2.53

PAT: Profit after Tax; OPBDITA: Operating Profit before Depreciation, Interest, Taxes and Amortization
Source: MCA

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA:

CRA	Status	Date of Release
Brickwork	[BWR]BB- (Stable)/[BWR]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	May 03, 2024

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)	Date & Rating in	Date & Rating in FY2024	Date & Rating in FY2023	Date & Rating in FY2022
				20-Nov-2024	28-Sep-2023	12-Jul-2022	23-Jun-2021
1	**Long Term-Fund Based-Cash Credit**	Long Term	6.00	[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	**Long Term / Short Term-Fund Based-Cash Credit**	Long Term/ Short Term	8.00	[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

Complexity level of the rated instrument

Instrument	Complexity Indicator
Long Term-Fund Based-Cash Credit	Simple
Long Term / Short Term-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-I: Instrument details

ISIN No	Instrument Name	Date of Issuance / Sanction	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Amount Rated (RS Crore)	Current Rating and Outlook
NA	Long Term-Fund Based-Cash Credit	-	-	-	6.00	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING
NA	Long Term / Short Term-Fund Based-Cash Credit	-	-	-	8.00	[ICRA]B+(Stable); ISSUER NOT COOPERATING/[ICRA]A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING

Source: *Ganga Papers India Limited*

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

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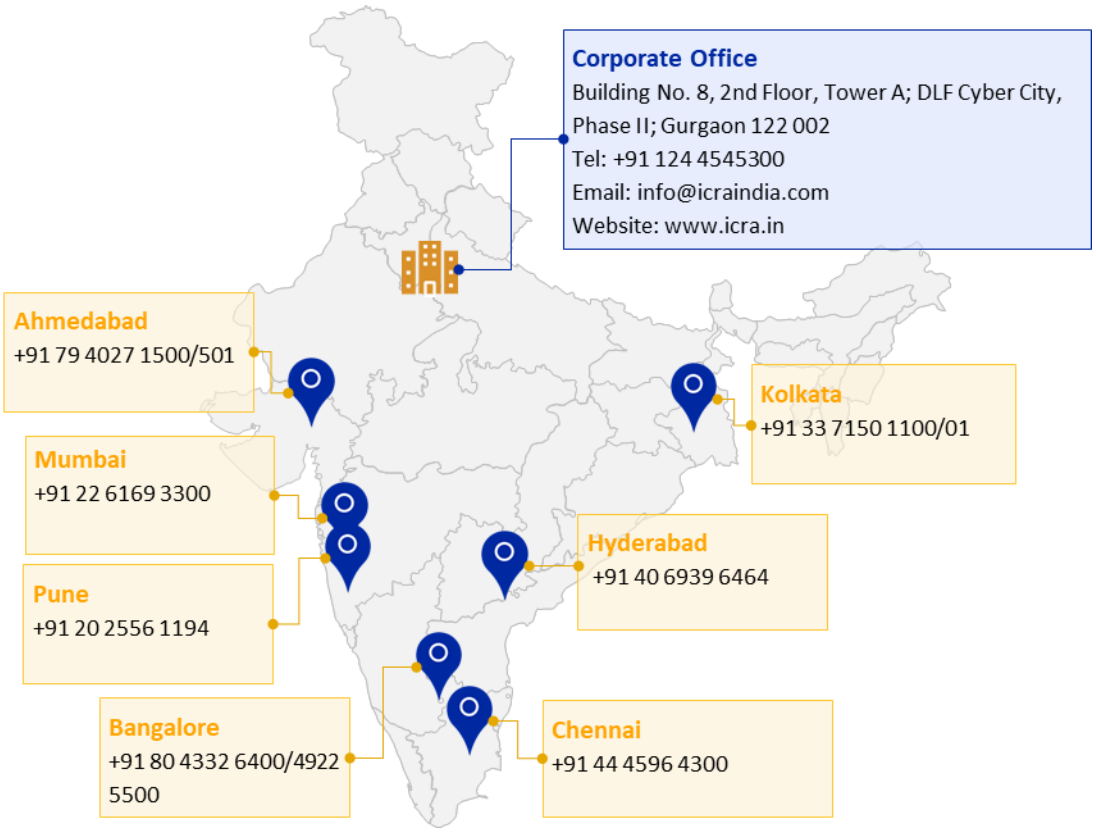

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