

ACARA Bioherb Private Limited

August 05, 2022

Ratings

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (Rs crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Short Term Bank Facilities	8.50	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Single D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category
Total Bank Facilities	8.50 (Rs Eight Crore and Fifty Lakhs Only)		

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated June 18, 2021, placed the rating(s) of ACARA Bioherb Private Limited (ABPL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as ABPL had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating and had not paid the surveillance fees for the rating exercise as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. ABPL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated May 04, 2022, May 14, 2022, May 24, 2022.

In line with the extant SEBI guidelines, CARE Ratings Ltd. has reviewed the rating on the basis of the best available information which however, in CARE Ratings Ltd.'s opinion is not sufficient to arrive at a fair rating.

Users of this rating (including investors, lenders and the public at large) are hence requested to exercise caution while using the above rating(s).

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

Please refer to PR dated June 18, 2021

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

<u>Policy in respect of Non-cooperation by issuer</u> <u>Policy on default recognition</u>

About the Company

Bangalore based Acara Bioherb Private Limited (ABPL) is a Private Limited Company started by Mr. H.Pawan in the year 2012. ABPL is involved in the business of manufacturing and exporting of herbal cosmetics and herbal extracts. The manufacturing and export of herbal extracts unit was started in July 2017. Some of the main products of ABPL are henna, hair cream, shampoos, scrubs, moisturizers, and herbal health supplements. The company procures most of its raw materials like glycerine, harinol IPM and fragrances locally from Maharashtra. Currently, ABPL exports majority (about 90%) of its produce to Middle East and United Kingdom. While the herbal cosmetics are sold on business to customer model in Middle Eastern Countries (under the brand name 'Acara'), the herbal extracts used in pharmaceutical, food and dietary industry are sold on business to business model in United Kingdom.

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	FY20 (A)	FY21 (A)	FY22 (Prov.)	Q1FY23 (Prov.)
Total operating income	3.29	14.95	NA	NA
PBILDT	0.89	2.15	NA	NA
PAT	0.01	0.03	NA	NA
Overall gearing (times)	NM	NM	NA	NA
Interest coverage (times)	1.10	1.05	NA	NA

A: Audited; Prov.: Provisional; NA: Not Available; NM: Not Meaningful

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¹Complete definition of the ratings assigned are available at www.careedge.in and other CARE Ratings Ltd.'s publications



Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Brickwork has continued the rating assigned to the bank facilities of ABPL into Issuer Not Cooperating category vide press release dated August 24, 2021 on account of its inability to carry out a review in the absence of the requisite information from the company.

Any other information: Not Applicable

Rating History for last three years: Please refer Annexure-2

Covenants of rated instrument/facility: Annexure-3

Complexity level of various instruments rated for this company: Annexure-4

Annexure-1: Details of Instruments/Facilities

Name of the Instrument	ISIN	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs crore)	Rating Assigned along with Rating Outlook
Fund-based - ST-EPC/PSC		-	-	-	6.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST-Bill Discounting / Bills Purchasing		-	-	-	2.50	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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

Annexure-2: Rating History of last three years

		Current Ratings			Rating History			
Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument/ Bank Facilities	Туре	Amount Outstanding (Rs crore)	Rating	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2022- 2023	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2021-2022	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2020-2021	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2019- 2020
1	Fund-based - ST-EPC/PSC	ST	6.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (18-Jun-21)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (21-Apr-20)	-
2	Non-fund- based - ST- Bill Discounting / Bills Purchasing	ST	2.50	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (18-Jun-21)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (21-Apr-20)	-

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Annexure 3: Detailed explanation of the covenants of the rated instruments/facilities: Not Applicable

Annexure 4: Complexity level of various instruments rated for this company

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument	Complexity Level
1	Fund-based - ST-EPC/PSC	Simple
2	Non-fund-based - ST-Bill Discounting / Bills Purchasing	Simple

Annexure 5: Bank Lender Details for this company

To view the lender wise details of bank facilities please click here

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument: CARE has classified instruments rated by it on the basis of complexity. Investors/market intermediaries/regulators or others are welcome to write to care@careedge.in for any clarifications.

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