

Metaguard Engineers and Contractors (Revised)

June 16, 2022

Ratings

Facilities/Instruments Amount (Rs. crore)		Rating ¹	Rating Action	
Long Term Bank Facilities	25.00	CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Single B; Outlook: Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category and Revised from CARE B+; Stable; (Single B Plus; Outlook: Stable)	
Short Term Bank Facilities	10.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (A Four; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category	
Total Bank Facilities	35.00 (Rs. Thirty-Five Crore Only)			

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated April 07, 2021, placed the rating(s) of Metaguard Engineers and Contractors (MEC) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as MEC 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. MEC continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated February 21, 2022, March 03, 2022, March 13, 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).

The ratings assigned to the bank facilities of MEC have been revised on account of non-availability of requisite information.

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

Please refer to PR dated April 07, 2021

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

Policy in respect of Non-cooperation by issuer

Policy on default recognition

Criteria on assigning outlook and credit watch

About the Firm

Kerala based Metaguard Engineers and contractors (MEC) was established in the year 1990 by Mr. Sasisharam Kuttan Pillai. The firm is registered as 'Class A' contractor in the state. The firm is engaged in road construction works. MEC procures raw materials from the local traders. Firm gets 100% of the work orders from the government. The firm has availed moratorium from March to August 2020 amid COVID-19 RBI guidelines.

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	FY20 (A)	FY21(A)	FY22(Prov.)
Total operating income	27.79	NA	NA
PBILDT	5.28	NA	NA
PAT	1.17	NA	NA
Overall gearing (times)	3.24	NA	NA
Interest coverage (times)	1.80	NA	NA

A: Audited; Prov: Provisional; NA: Not Available

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Crisil has continued the ratings assigned to the bank facilities of MEC to the 'issuer not-cooperating' category vide press release dated July 19, 2021 on account its inability to carryout review in the absence of best available information from the Firm.

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

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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 Firm: 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 - LT- Bank Overdraft		1	-	1	25.00	CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee		-	-	-	10.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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

Annexure-2: Rating history for the last three years

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrume nt/ Bank Facilities	Current Ratings			Rating History			
			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 - LT-Bank Overdraft	LT	25.00	CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING*	-	1)CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (07-Apr-21)	-	1)CARE B+; Stable (19-Feb-20)
2	Non-fund- based - ST-Bank Guarantee	ST	10.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING*	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (07-Apr-21)	-	1)CARE A4 (19-Feb-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 Firm

Sr. No.	Name of Instrument	Complexity Level
1	Fund-based - LT-Bank Overdraft	Simple
2	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	Simple

Annexure-5: Bank lender details for this Firm

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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