

KPL Exports Limited

May 17, 2024

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Short Term Bank Facilities	389.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category and Revised from CARE A4+

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated February 28, 2023, placed the rating(s) of KPL Exports Limited (KEL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as KEL 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. KEL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated January 14, 2024, January 24, 2024, February 03, 2024.

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 KEL have been revised due to non-availability of requisite information. Further it also considers decline in scale of operations and profitability in FY23 as compared to FY22.

Analytical approach: Standalone

Outlook: Not Applicable

Detailed description of the key rating drivers:

Please refer to PR dated February 28, 2023

Applicable criteria

<u>CARE Rating's criteria on information adequacy risk and issuer non-cooperation</u>
<u>Policy on default recognition</u>

About the company

Incorporated in April 2008, KPL Exports Limited (KEL) is a part of Kothari group which is promoted by Mr. Deepak Kothari. The company is engaged in the business of international trading of electronics, coal, edible oil, construction material, machines and spares etc. The sales arrangement is completely back-to-back, i.e., the company enters into purchase agreement only after entering into sales agreement and the goods are supplied directly to the overseas buyer by the overseas supplier without entering India.

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	March 31, 2022 (A)	March 31, 2023 (A)
Total operating income	1250.81	388.33
PBILDT	14.14	14.56
PAT	7.44	2.11
Overall gearing (times)	2.05	1.34
Interest coverage (times)	1.15	0.72

A: Audited; Note: 'the above results are latest financial results available'

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

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



Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: Not Applicable

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

Covenants of rated instrument / facility: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instruments/facilities is given in

Annexure-3

Complexity level of various instruments rated: Annexure-4

Lender details: Annexure-5

Annexure-1: Details of Instruments/Facilities

Name of the Instrument	ISIN	Date of Issuance (DD-MM-YYYY) Coupon Rate (%)		Maturity Date (DD- MM-YYYY)	Size of the Issue (₹ crore)	Rating Assigned along with Rating Outlook	
Fund-based - ST- EPC/PSC		-	-	-	11.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	
Non-fund-based - ST- BG/LC		-	-	-	370.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	
Non-fund-based - ST- Forward Contract		-	-	-	8.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	

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Annexure-2: Rating history for the last three years

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Sr. No	Name of the Instrument/ Bank Facilities	Current Ratings			Rating History			
		Typ e	Amount Outstandi ng (₹ crore)	Rating	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2024-2025	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2023-2024	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2022-2023	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2021-2022
1	Fund-based - ST-EPC/PSC	ST	11.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG*	-	-	1)CARE A4+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G* (28-Feb-23)	1)CARE A3 (29-Dec-21)
2	Non-fund- based - ST- BG/LC	ST	370.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG*	-	-	1)CARE A4+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G* (28-Feb-23)	1)CARE A3 (29-Dec-21)
3	Non-fund- based - ST- Forward Contract	ST	8.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG*	-	-	1)CARE A4+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G* (28-Feb-23)	1)CARE A3 (29-Dec-21)

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

Annexure-4: Complexity level of the various instruments rated

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument	Complexity Level
1	Fund-based - ST-EPC/PSC	Simple
2	Non-fund-based - ST-BG/LC	Simple
3	Non-fund-based - ST-Forward Contract	Simple

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ST: Short term



Annexure-5: Lender details

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

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument: CARE Ratings 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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