

# **Dq Entertainment (international) Limited**

June 27, 2024

| Facilities/Instruments    | Amount (₹<br>crore) | Rating <sup>1</sup>                | Rating Action   |  |
|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|
| Long Term Bank Facilities | 155.58              | CARE D; ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING* | Rating continues to remain under ISSUER<br>NOT COOPERATING category |  |

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1.

\*Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information.

## **Rationale and key rating drivers**

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated April 05, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Dq Entertainment (international) Limited (DEL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as DEL 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. DEL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated February 19, 2024, February 29, 2024, March 10, 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).

## Analytical approach: Standalone

Outlook: Not Applicable

## Detailed description of the key rating drivers:

Please refer to PR dated April 05, 2023

# **Applicable criteria**

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

#### About the company

DQE (INE656K01010) was incorporated in April 2007 as Animation and Multimedia Private Limited in Hyderabad and is in the business of animation, gaming, live action content production, licensing and distribution. The company is based in Hyderabad and has 1,732 associates globally with facilities for content creation and production in 2D, CGI, 3D-Stereoscopic, visual effects (VFX), Game Art. DQE is publicly listed in BSE and NSE in India. The Company's three main products and services are animation production services, co-owned content development and intellectual property development & distribution. It also provides training services for the production of animated television series and movies as well as licenses programmed distribution rights to broadcasters, television channels, and home video distributors.

| Brief Financials (₹ crore) | March 31, 2019 (A) | March 31, 2020* (A) |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Total operating income     | 92.49              | 48.53               |
| PBILDT                     | 1.18               | -8.86               |
| РАТ                        | -40.90             | -58.11              |
| Overall gearing (times)    | 1.01               | 0.04                |
| Interest coverage (times)  | 0.04               | NA                  |

A: Audited; \*Abridged; NA: Not Available; Note: 'the above results are latest financial results available'

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Complete definition of the ratings assigned are available at <u>www.careedge.in</u> and other CARE Ratings Ltd.'s publications



#### 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<br>Instrument         | ISIN | Date of<br>Issuance<br>(DD-MM-<br>YYYY) | Coupon<br>Rate (%) | Maturity<br>Date (DD-<br>MM-YYYY) | Size of the<br>Issue<br>(₹ crore) | Rating<br>Assigned<br>along with<br>Rating<br>Outlook |
|-----------------------------------|------|---|--------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Fund-based -<br>LT-Cash Credit    |      | -                                       | -                  | -                                 | 50.00                             | CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING*                 |
| Fund-based -<br>LT-Term Loan      |      | -                                       | -                  | July 2018                         | 22.80                             | CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING*                 |
| Non-fund-<br>based - LT-<br>BG/LC |      | -                                       | -                  | -                                 | 82.78                             | CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING*                 |

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# Annexure-2: Rating history for the last three years

|           |   | Current Ratings |                                     |   | Rating History  |  |   |  |
|-----------|---|-----------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
| Sr.<br>No | Name of the<br>Instrument/Ban<br>k Facilities | Typ<br>e        | Amount<br>Outstandin<br>g (₹ crore) | Rating                                    | Date(s)<br>and<br>Rating(s<br>)<br>assigned<br>in 2024-<br>2025 | Date(s) and<br>Rating(s)<br>assigned in<br>2023-2024       | Date(s)<br>and<br>Rating(s<br>)<br>assigned<br>in 2022-<br>2023 | Date(s) and<br>Rating(s)<br>assigned in<br>2021-2022       |
| 1         | Fund-based - LT-<br>Term Loan                 | LT              | 22.80                               | CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING<br>* | -   | 1)CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING<br>*<br>(05-Apr-23) | -   | 1)CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING<br>*<br>(07-Jan-22) |
| 2         | Fund-based - LT-<br>Cash Credit               | LT              | 50.00                               | CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING<br>* | -   | 1)CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING<br>*<br>(05-Apr-23) | -   | 1)CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING<br>*<br>(07-Jan-22) |
| 3         | Non-fund-based -<br>LT-BG/LC                  | LT              | 82.78                               | CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING<br>* | -   | 1)CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING<br>*<br>(05-Apr-23) | -   | 1)CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING<br>*<br>(07-Jan-22) |

\*Issuer did not cooperate; Based on best available information LT: Long term;

## Annexure-3: Detailed explanation of the 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 - LT-Cash Credit | Simple           |
| 2       | Fund-based - LT-Term Loan   | Simple           |
| 3       | Non-fund-based - LT-BG/LC   | Simple           |

#### **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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