

## Srusti Agro Farms Private Limited

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| Facilities/Instruments    | Amount (₹<br>crore) | Rating <sup>1</sup>                        | Rating Action   |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--|---|
| Long Term Bank Facilities | 7.16                | CARE C; Stable; 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 March 15, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Srusti Agro Farms Private Limited (SAFPL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as SAFPL 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. SAFPL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated January 29, 2024, February 08, 2024, February 18, 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: Stable

#### Detailed description of the key rating drivers:

Please refer to PR dated March 15, 2023

#### Applicable criteria

<u>CARE Ratings' criteria on information adequacy risk and issuer non-cooperation</u> <u>Policy on default recognition</u> <u>Criteria on Assigning 'Outlook' or 'Rating Watch' to Credit Ratings</u>

#### About the company

Incorporated in July 2016, Srusti Agro Farms Private Limited (SAFPL) was promoted by Mrs. Mamta Puhan and Mr. Nirakar Puhan among others. The company was promoted to initiate the business of poultry farming to sale eggs and birds. Currently, the company is setting up a poultry farm which includes three shades; the first shade will be used for farming of one day to 6-7 weeks chicks, the second shade will be used for farming chicks which are up to 12-13 weeks, and third shade will be used for layer birds where they fetch eggs. The total project cost is estimated to be Rs.8.98 crore which will be funding through term loan of Rs.6.50 crore and balance of Rs.2.48 crore from promoter's contribution. The financial closure for the debt portion of the project is already been tied-up and the company has already completed construction of two shades and started commercial operations from April 2019 of poultry farming operations. Till July 31, 2019, the company has spent around Rs.8.66 crore funded through term loan of Rs.6.18 crore and balance through promoter's contribution of Rs.2.48 crore. Since its inception, the company is earning revenue through agricultural business (i.e. mango plantation and pulses). The company has started partial commercial operation of its poultry business (main business) from April 2019 and the full fledge operation of the same is estimated to commence from September 2019. Currently, the company has 66,000 layer birds in its poultry farm.

| Brief Financials (Rs. crore) | March 31, 2022 (A) | March 31, 2023 (A) |
|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Total operating income       | 18.77              | 24.09              |
| PBILDT                       | 2.61               | 2.60               |
| PAT                          | 0.10               | 0.11               |
| Overall gearing (times)      | 2.48               | 2.63               |
| Interest coverage (times)    | 3.95               | 3.94               |

A: Audited; 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:** Acuite (SMERA) has continued the rating assigned to the bank facilities of SAFPL into ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category vide press release dated May 24, 2023 on account of its inability to carry out a review in the absence of 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:** 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 Issuance<br>(DD-MM-YYYY) | Coupon<br>Rate<br>(%) | Maturity<br>Date (DD-<br>MM-YYYY) | Size of<br>the Issue<br>(₹ crore) | Rating Assigned along<br>with Rating Outlook |
|---------------------------|------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Fund-based - LT-          |      | _                                | -                     | -                                 | 0.66                              | CARE C; Stable; ISSUER                       |
| Cash Credit               |      | -                                |                       |                                   |                                   | NOT COOPERATING*                             |
| Fund-based - LT-          |      | _                                | -                     | December                          | 6.50                              | CARE C; Stable; ISSUER                       |
| Term Loan                 |      | -                                |                       | 2026                              |                                   | NOT COOPERATING*                             |

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

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

|           |   | Current Ratings |                                     |  | Rating History  |   |  |  |
|-----------|---|-----------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|---|--|--|
| Sr.<br>No | Name of the<br>Instrument/Ba<br>nk Facilities | Typ<br>e        | Amount<br>Outstandin<br>g (₹ crore) | Rating   | Date(s)<br>and<br>Rating(s)<br>assigned<br>in 2024-<br>2025 | Date(s)<br>and<br>Rating(s)<br>assigned<br>in 2023-<br>2024 | Date(s)<br>and<br>Rating(s)<br>assigned<br>in 2022-<br>2023              | Date(s)<br>and<br>Rating(s)<br>assigned<br>in 2021-<br>2022              |
| 1         | Fund-based - LT-<br>Term Loan                 | LT              | 6.50                                | CARE C;<br>Stable;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATIN<br>G* | -   | -   | 1)CARE C;<br>Stable;<br>ISSUER<br>NOT<br>COOPERATI<br>NG*<br>(15-Mar-23) | 1)CARE C;<br>Stable;<br>ISSUER<br>NOT<br>COOPERATI<br>NG*<br>(06-Jan-22) |
| 2         | Fund-based - LT-<br>Cash Credit               | LT              | 0.66                                | CARE C;<br>Stable;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATIN<br>G* | -   | -   | 1)CARE C;<br>Stable;<br>ISSUER<br>NOT<br>COOPERATI<br>NG*<br>(15-Mar-23) | 1)CARE C;<br>Stable;<br>ISSUER<br>NOT<br>COOPERATI<br>NG*<br>(06-Jan-22) |

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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 - LT-Cash Credit | Simple           |
| 2       | Fund-based - LT-Term Loan   | Simple           |



#### **Annexure-5: Lender details**

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

**Note on the complexity levels of the rated instruments:** 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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