

## **Kesar Enterprises Limited**

June 13, 2024

| Facilities/Instruments     | Amount (₹ crore) | Rating <sup>1</sup>                | Rating Action  |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Long Term Bank Facilities  | 170.56           | CARE D; ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING* | Rating continues to remain<br>under ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING category |
| Short Term Bank Facilities | 0.20             | CARE D; ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING* | Rating continues to remain<br>under ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING category |

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1.

## Rationale and key rating drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated March 29, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Kesar Enterprises 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 February 12, 2024, February 22, 2024, March 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).

Analytical approach: Standalone

Outlook: Not Applicable

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

Please refer to PR dated March 29, 2023

### **Applicable criteria**

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

### **About the company**

Kesar Enterprises Ltd (KEL) [ISIN: INE133B01019], formerly known as Kesar Sugar Works Ltd was originally promoted by Kilachand Group in October 1933. In 1985, the promoters renamed it to its present name. The company is part of the Kilachand Group, one of the old and well-established Industrial Houses in India having diversified interest in sugar, distillery, renewable energy, storage and other agro products. KEL is a fully integrated sugar company operating its sugar unit with a capacity of 7,200 TCD (Tonnes Crushed per Day), cogeneration power plant of 44 MW, and a distillery unit producing industrial alcohol with capacity of 50,000 KLPD (Kilo Litres per Day). The company's integrated sugar plant is located at Baheri, Uttar Pradesh. The power plant is a fully automated bagasse fired co-generation power plant. The plant can operate at high pressure of 115 kg/cm2. The company has entered into a PPA (Power Purchase Agreement) with Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Limited (UPPCL) for sale of power for 20 years. Besides, the company produces open pollinated and hybrid seeds under its brand name "Kesar seeds". The company has an in-house research division at Hyderabad where the seeds are developed.

<sup>\*</sup>Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information.

<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



| Brief Financials (Rs. crore) | March 31, 2022 (A) | March 31, 2023 (A) | March 31, 2024 (A) |
|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Total operating income       | 469.17             | 553.64             | 623.13             |
| PBILDT                       | 12.66              | 1.85               | 115.69             |
| PAT                          | -28.89             | -44.06             | 83.58              |
| Overall gearing (times)      | NM                 | NM                 | 0.69               |
| Interest coverage (times)    | 0.49               | 0.07               | 7.01               |

A-Audited, NM- Not Meaningful, Note: 'the above results are latest financial results available'.

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 the covenants of the rated instruments/facilities is given in

Annexure-3

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

Lender details: Please refer 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    |      | -                                       | -                  | -                                 | 63.30                             | CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING*                 |
| Fund-based -<br>LT-Term Loan      |      | -                                       | -                  | August,<br>2022                   | 107.26                            | CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATING*                 |
| Non-fund-<br>based - ST-<br>BG/LC |      | -                                       | -                  | -                                 | 0.20                              | 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. No. | Name of the<br>Instrument/<br>Bank Facilities | Туре            | Amount<br>Outstandi<br>ng (₹<br>crore) | Rating                                    | Date(s)<br>and<br>Rating(s<br>)<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>)<br>assigned<br>in 2021-<br>2022 |
| 1       | Fund-based - LT-<br>Term Loan                 | LT              | 107.26                                 | CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATIN<br>G* | -   | -   | 1)CARE D;<br>ISSUER<br>NOT<br>COOPERA<br>TING*<br>(29-Mar-<br>23)<br>2)CARE D<br>(06-Apr-<br>22) | 1)CARE D<br>(05-Apr-<br>21)                                     |
| 2       | Non-fund-based -<br>ST-BG/LC                  | ST              | 0.20                                   | CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATIN<br>G* | -   | -   | 1)CARE D;<br>ISSUER<br>NOT<br>COOPERA<br>TING*<br>(29-Mar-<br>23)<br>2)CARE D<br>(06-Apr-<br>22) | 1)CARE D<br>(05-Apr-<br>21)                                     |
| 3       | Fund-based - LT-<br>Cash Credit               | LT              | 63.30                                  | CARE D;<br>ISSUER NOT<br>COOPERATIN<br>G* | -   | -   | 1)CARE D;<br>ISSUER<br>NOT<br>COOPERA<br>TING*<br>(29-Mar-<br>23)<br>2)CARE D<br>(06-Apr-<br>22) | 1)CARE D<br>(05-Apr-<br>21)                                     |

<sup>\*</sup>Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information. LT: Long term; ST: Short term.

# 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           |
| 3       | Non-fund-based - ST-BG/LC   | Simple           |

# **Annexure-5: Lender details**

To view the lender wise details of bank facilities please <u>click here</u>



**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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