

Cochin Frozen Food Exports Private Limited

July 10, 2024

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Short Term Bank Facilities	46.94	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER 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 28, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Cochin Frozen Food Exports Private Limited (CFFEPL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as CFFEPL 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. CFFEPL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated March 13, 2024, March 23, 2024, April 02, 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 28, 2023

Applicable criteria

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

About the company

Cochin Frozen Food Exports Private Limited (CFFEPL) was established in the year 1989 and is engaged in processing of the seafood, mainly prawn and fish varieties with its corporate base in Aroor, 15 kms to the south of Cochin. The promoter, Mr. K. Prabhakaran, who is the founder chairman of the group is in the field of seafood exporting from the year 1974. The company normally exports its entire produce to the major markets of USA, Europe, Japan, China and the Middle East.

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	March 31, 2019 (A)	March 31, 2020 (A)
Total operating income	62.88	39.32
PBILDT	3.16	-3.86
PAT	0.09	-7.77
Overall gearing (times)	4.05	NM
Interest coverage (times)	1.25	NM

A: Audited; NM: Not Meaningful; Note: 'the above results are latest financial results available'

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: CRISIL has continued the rating assigned to the bank facilities of CFFEPL into ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category vide press release dated August 28, 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

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



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-FBN / FBP		-	-	-	22.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Fund-based - ST- Packing Credit in Indian rupee		-	-	-	23.50	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST- Bank Guarantee		-	-	-	1.44	CARE D; ISSUER 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. No	Name of the Instrument/Ba nk Facilities	Typ e	Amount Outstandin g (₹ 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- FBN / FBP	ST	22.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (28-Apr-23)	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (02-Mar-22)
2	Fund-based - ST- Packing Credit in Indian rupee	ST	23.50	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (28-Apr-23)	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (02-Mar-22)
3	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	ST	1.44	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (28-Apr-23)	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (02-Mar-22)

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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 - ST-FBN / FBP	Simple
2	Fund-based - ST-Packing Credit in Indian rupee	Simple
3	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	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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