

Balaji Motors

July 15, 2024

| Facilities/Instruments | Amount (₹ crore) | Rating ¹ | Rating Action |
|---------------------------|------------------|--|--|
| Long Term Bank Facilities | 12.19 | CARE B-; Stable; 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 May 09, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Balaji Motors (BM) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as BM 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. BM continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated March 24, 2024, April 03, 2024, April 13, 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 [May 09, 2023](#)

Applicable criteria

[CARE Ratings' criteria on information adequacy risk and issuer non-cooperation](#)

[Policy on default recognition](#)

[Criteria on Assigning 'Outlook' or 'Rating Watch' to Credit Ratings](#)

About the firm

Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh based, Balaji Motors (BM) was established as a partnership firm in February 01, 2015. The firm is an authorised dealer of Mahindra and Mahindra Limited (M&M) for its passenger cars, commercial vehicles and spares & accessories. The showroom of the firm is located at five different places in the state of Chhattisgarh [i.e. 1) Jagdalpur, 2) NH-16 Geedam Road, 3) Near C.W.S NMDC Nandraj petrol pump, 4) Samrtanagar, 5) Vandana Complex] and workshop location at Jagdalpur, Bacheli and near CRPF Batalion where it also provides repair and refurbishment services for its all range of vehicles. Moreover, the firm has availed moratorium on interest repayment of cash credit as well as EMI's repayment of term loan from March 2020 to August 2020 from its lender as per the RBI circular.

| Brief Financials (Rs. crore) | March 31, 2018 (A) | March 31, 2019 (A) |
|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Total operating income | 68.91 | 78.81 |
| PBILDT | 3.03 | 2.56 |
| PAT | 0.41 | 0.69 |
| Overall gearing (times) | 1.23 | 5.57 |
| Interest coverage (times) | 1.81 | 2.21 |

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

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: ICRA has continued the rating assigned to the bank facilities of BM into ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category vide press release dated May 17, 2023 on account of its inability to carry out a review in the absence of requisite information from the firm.

Any other information: Not applicable

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

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 - LT-Cash Credit | | - | - | - | 7.00 | CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* |
| Fund-based - LT-Term Loan | | - | - | March 2029 | 5.19 | CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* |

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Annexure-2: Rating history for the last three years

| Sr. No. | Name of the Instrument/ Bank Facilities | Current Ratings | | | Rating History | | | |
|---------|---|-----------------|------------------------------|--|---|--|---|---|
| | | Type | Amount Outstanding (₹ 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 - LT-Term Loan | LT | 5.19 | CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* | - | 1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (09-May-23) | 1)CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (27-Apr-22) | - |
| 2 | Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit | LT | 7.00 | CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* | - | 1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (09-May-23) | 1)CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (27-Apr-22) | - |

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LT: Long 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 |

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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