

Drugs India

August 23, 2024

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	7.50	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category
Short Term Bank Facilities	0.05	CARE A4; 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 July 10, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Drugs India (DI) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as DI had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating. DI continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated May 25, 2024, June 04, 2024, June 14, 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 [July 10, 2023](#)

Applicable criteria

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

[Policy on default recognition](#)

[Criteria on assigning outlook and credit watch](#)

About the firm

Ernakulum based Drugs India was established in 1992 and is promoted by Mr. VV John. The firm has five partners i.e. Mr. V V John, Ms. Roslin John, Mr. TV Paulachan, Ms. Shiji Paul and Mr. Sumil John. All the partners have experience for more than two decades in Pharmaceutical industry. The firm is an authorized distributor for large pharmaceutical companies since inception. The firm's product profile includes pharmaceutical products in the category of stents, anticancer drugs, generics, diabetic products, insulin injections, oral capsules, surgical products, anaesthesia products, quality pharmaceutical tablets and capsules, antibiotics, multi-vitamin products and other health care products.

Brief Financials (₹ crore)	March 31, 2018 (A)	March 31, 2019 (A)
Total operating income	31.58	28.32
PBILDT	1.02	0.82
PAT	0.33	0.20
Overall gearing (times)	3.75	4.05
Interest coverage (times)	1.81	1.91

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

¹Complete definition of the ratings assigned are available at www.careedge.in 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 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		-	-	-	7.50	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee		-	-	-	0.05	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure-2: Rating history for the last three years

S r · N o .	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-Cash Credit	LT	7.50	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (10-Jul-23)	1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (17-Jun-22)	1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (18-May-21)
2	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	ST	0.05	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (10-Jul-23)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (17-Jun-22)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (18-May-21)

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LT: Long term; ST: Short 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	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 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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