

Popular Auto Distributors

October 23, 2024

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	10.00	CARE C; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1.

Rationale and key rating drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated August 29, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Popular Auto Distributors (PAD) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as PAD had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. PAD continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through emails dated July 14, 2024, July 24, 2024, August 03, 2024 among others.

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 August 29, 2023

Applicable criteria

CARE Rating's criteria on information adequacy risk and issuer non-cooperation Policy on Default Recognition Criteria on assigning outlook and credit watch

About the Firm

Madurai based Popular Auto Distributors (PAD) is a partnership firm established in 2016 by its partners Mr Deepak Singh Kohli, Mr Gobind Singh Kohli, Mr P Rajesh Kumar and Mr Assish Kumar Jain. It is a part of Chennai based Popular Group which consists of Popular Scooters Private Limited, Popular Motor Cycle Company, and Popular Honda Parts. Currently, the firm is the authorized parts stockiest of TVS Motors Limited in Madurai, Dindugal, Theni, Virudhunagar, Sivagangai, and Ramanathapuram. The group company, Popular Scooters Private Limited has been an authorized dealer for sale of two-wheeler spare parts and lubricants of TVS Motors Limited for over 17 years. From September, 2017, the firm has also been the authorized dealer for Ceat Tyres Limited in Kanyakumari and Tirunelveli. Mr. Rajesh Kumar manages day to day operations of the firm.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: Not Applicable

Rating History for last three years: Annexure-2

Detailed explanation of covenants of rated instruments/facilities: Annexure-3

Complexity level of various instruments rated: Annexure-4

Lender details: Annexure-5

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^{*}Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information.

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



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 and Rating Outlook	
Fund-based - LT- Cash Credit		-	-	-	10.00	CARE C; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	

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Annexure-2: Rating history for last three years

	Name of the Instrument/Ba Typ nk Facilities e	Current Ratings		Rating History				
Sr. No		Amount Outstandi ng (₹ 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	10.00	CARE C; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE C; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (29-Aug-23)	1)CARE C; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (19-Aug-22)	1)CARE C; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (25-Jun-21)

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Annexure-3: Detailed explanation of covenants of rated instruments/facilities: Not Applicable

Annexure-4: Complexity level of instruments rated

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument	Complexity Level
1	Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	Simple

Annexure-5: Lender details

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

Note on complexity levels of rated instruments: CARE Ratings has classified instruments rated by it based on complexity. Investors/market intermediaries/regulators or others are welcome to write to care@careedge.in for clarifications.

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LT: Long term



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