

## Friends Timber Private Limited

October 29, 2024

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating <sup>1</sup>	Rating Action
Long Term / Short Term Bank Facilities	6.00	CARE B-; Stable / CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category
Short Term Bank Facilities	16.25	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 October 13, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Friends Timber Private Limited (FTPL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as FTPL had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. FTPL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails dated August 28, 2024, September 07, 2024 and September 17, 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 [October 13, 2023](#)

### Applicable criteria

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

[Policy on default recognition](#)

[Rating Outlook and Credit Watch](#)

### About the company

Nagpur (Maharashtra) based, FTPL was established as partnership concern named 'Friends Timber' in the year 1974 and later reconstituted into private limited company in 1999 with Mr. Anand Kohli, as its Managing Director (MD). FTPL imports majority of its timber (teak round log) requirement from Yangon, Myanmar. The imported timber is then cut into different sizes in the sawmills and supplied to wholesalers of timber majorly belonging to the state of Maharashtra and also exported to countries such as Belgium, United States of America and Netherlands, etc.

**Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA:** Not Applicable

**Any other information:** Not Applicable

**Rating History for last three years:** Annexure-2

**Covenants of rated instrument/facility:** Annexure-3

**Complexity level of various instruments rated:** Annexure-4

**Lender details:** Annexure 5

<sup>1</sup>Complete definition of the ratings assigned are available at [www.careedge.in](http://www.careedge.in) and other CARE Ratings Ltd.'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/ ST-CC/Packing Credit		-	-	-	6.00	CARE B-; Stable / CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee		-	-	-	0.25	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST-Letter of credit		-	-	-	16.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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**Annexure-2: Rating History of 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/ ST-CC/Packing Credit	LT/ST	6.00	CARE B-; Stable / CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE B-; Stable / CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (13-Oct-23)	1)CARE B-; Stable / CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (23-Sep-22)	1)CARE B; Stable / CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (09-Jul-21)
2	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	ST	0.25	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (13-Oct-23)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (23-Sep-22)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (09-Jul-21)
3	Non-fund-based - ST-Letter of credit	ST	16.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (13-Oct-23)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (23-Sep-22)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (09-Jul-21)

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LT/ST: Long term/Short 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/ ST-CC/Packing Credit	Simple
2	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	Simple
3	Non-fund-based - ST-Letter of credit	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](mailto:care@careedge.in) for any clarifications.

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