

Gardex

October 28, 2024

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action		
Short Term Bank Facilities 54.10		CARE A4; 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 September 11, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Gardex under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as Gardex had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. Gardex continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails dated July 27, 2024, August 06, 2024, August 16, 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: Not applicable

Detailed description of the key rating drivers:

Please refer to PR dated September 11, 2023

Applicable criteria

CARE Ratings' criteria on information adequacy risk and issuer non-cooperation Policy on Default Recognition

About the firm

The firm was initially incorporated in 1995 by Mr. Gautam Kapoor and his brother, Mr. Sarat Chopra by the name 'Filex' to carry out the business of manufacturing of striking and garden tools. Later in April 2007, the firm was rechristened as 'Gardex'. The other two partners in the firm are Mr. Mukul Dutt and Mr Sarat Chopra's wife, Mrs. Shivani Chopra. Gardex manufactures and exports striking tools and garden equipments like hammers, bars, chisels, shovels, rakes, hoes, picks, mattocks and axes. In the US market, Gardex sells its products under its registered brand name 'Python'. Other major groups concerns of the firm include M/s India Files Manufacturing Company, Grand Windsor Resorts Limited and Black Jack Private Limited. Further, in April 2019, the assets and liabilities of the firm were taken over by Gardex India Private Limited.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Brickwork has continued the rating assigned to the bank facilities of Gardex into ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category vide press release dated June 19, 2024 on account of its inability to carry out a review in the absence of requisite information from the firm.

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

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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 - ST- EPC/PSC	-	-	-	-	46.50	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST- Bank Guarantee	-	-	-	-	0.60	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST- Letter of credit	-	-	-	-	7.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure-2: Rating history for last three years

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Sr. No	Name of the Instrument/ Bank Facilities	Current Ratings			Rating History				
		Туре	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 - ST- EPC/PSC	ST	46.50	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPER ATING*	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (11-Sep-23)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (30-Aug-22)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (07-Jul-21)	
2	Non-fund-based - ST-Letter of credit	ST	7.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPER ATING*	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (11-Sep-23)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (30-Aug-22)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (07-Jul-21)	
3	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	ST	0.60	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPER ATING*	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (11-Sep-23)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (30-Aug-22)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (07-Jul-21)	

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ST: Short term

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 - ST-EPC/PSC	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 <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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