

Epistel Impex Private Limited

October 03, 2024

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	12.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category and Downgraded from CARE B-; Stable

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 August 23, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Epistel Impex Private Limited (EIPL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as EIPL had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. EIPL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails dated July 08, 2024, July 18, 2024, July 28, 2024, October 01, 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).

The ratings assigned to the bank facilities of EIPL have been revised on account of delays in debt servicing recognized from publicly available information. i.e., CIBIL filings

Analytical approach: Standalone

Outlook: Not applicable **Detailed description of the key rating drivers:** Please refer to PR dated <u>August 23, 2023</u>

Applicable criteria

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

About the company

Incorporated in August 2011, Epistel Impex Private Limited (EIPL) was promoted by Mr. Vivek Tekriwala and Mr. Uma Shankar Singhal. Since its inception, the company has been engaged in wholesale trading of food grains and pulses.

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 and Rating Outlook	
Fund-based - LT- Cash Credit		-	-	-	12.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	

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



Annexure-2: Rating history for last three years

	Name of	Current Ratings			Rating History			
Sr. No	the Instrument / Bank Facilities	Typ e	Amount Outstandin g (₹ 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	12.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPER ATING*	-	1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G* (23-Auq-23)	1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G* (21-Jul-22)	1)CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G* (24-May-21)

*Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information. LT: Long 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 - LT-Cash Credit	Simple				
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Annexure-5: Lender details

To view the lender wise details of bank facilities please click here

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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