

Universal Fertiliser Corporation

November 14, 2024

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	8.00	CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category and Downgraded from CARE B+; Stable
Short Term Bank Facilities	1.00	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 04, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Universal Fertiliser Corporation (UFC) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as UFC had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. UFC continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails dated August 19, 2024, August 29, 2024, September 08, 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 UFC have been revised on account of non-availability of requisite information.

Analytical approach: Standalone

Outlook: Stable

Detailed description of the key rating drivers:

Please refer to PR dated [October 04, 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

Universal Fertiliser Corporation (UFC) was established in 1975 by Mr. P. Vijayanatraj, Mr. Rajesh and Ms. Shanthi in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu. The firm is engaged in distribution of fertilizers such as urea and diammonium phosphate and pesticides. The firm procures fertilizers majorly from Indian Potash Limited, The Fertilisers And Chemicals Travancore Limited (FACT), Mangalore Chemicals and Fertilizers Limited etc and distributes them primarily to the western districts of Tamil Nadu on wholesale basis. The overall capacity of the warehouses is 100 tonnes.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Brickwork has continued the ratings assigned to the bank facilities of UFC to the 'issuer not-cooperating' category vide press release dated October 10, 2024 on account of its inability to carryout 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 the rated instruments/facilities: Annexure-3

Complexity level of various instruments rated: Annexure-4

Lender details: Annexure-5

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		-	-	-	8.00	CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee		-	-	-	1.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure-2: Rating history for 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-Cash Credit	LT	8.00	CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (04-Oct-23)	1)CARE BB-; Stable (06-Oct-22)	1)CARE BB-; Stable (28-Sep-21)
2	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	ST	1.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (04-Oct-23)	1)CARE A4 (06-Oct-22)	1)CARE A4 (28-Sep-21)

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LT: Long term; 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 - 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 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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