

Santha Cashew

November 29, 2024

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	7.50	CARE B-; 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 October 19, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Santha Cashew (SC) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as SC had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. SC continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails dated September 03, 2024, September 13, 2024, September 23, 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 19, 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

Santha Cashew (SC) was established as a Proprietorship firm in the year by Mr. K.G. Biju in a motive to set up a family business at Kollam, Kerala. The firm is engaged in processing of cashew kernals, cashew shells and raw cashew nut and export them to the customers located in middle east countries such as Saudi Arabia, UAE, Oman and also caters to domestic retailers located in Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Kerala. The firm majorly import raw material (Raw cashew nut) from suppliers located in Africa and occasionally from domestic merchant located in Kerala to meet immediate order requirements.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: CRISIL has continued the rating assigned to the bank facilities of SC into Issuer Not Cooperating category vide press release dated January 15, 2024 on account of its inability to carry out a review in the absence of the requisite information from the firm.

Any other information: Not Applicable

Rating History for last three years: Annexure-2

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-		-	-	1	5.50	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER
Cash Credit						NOT COOPERATING*
Fund-based - LT-			-	-	2.00	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER
EPC/PSC		-				NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure-2: Rating history for last three years

		Current Ratings			Rating History			
Sr. No	Name of the Instrument/Ba nk Facilities	Typ e	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	5.50	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (19-Oct-23)	1)CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (28-Sep-22)	1)CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (17-Sep-21)
2	Fund-based - LT- EPC/PSC	LT	2.00	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (19-Oct-23)	1)CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (28-Sep-22)	1)CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (17-Sep-21)

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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
2	Fund-based - LT-EPC/PSC	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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