

Sagar Steel Processing & Manufacturing Unit

November 21, 2024

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	23.00	CARE BB; 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 30, 2023, placed the rating(s) of Sagar Steel Processing & Manufacturing Unit (SSPMU) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as SSPMU had failed to provide information including the No default statement (NDS) for monitoring of the rating as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. SSPMU continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails dated September 14, 2024, September 24, 2024, October 04, 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: Combined

CARE has combined the financials of Sagar Steels (SS) (Rated: CARE BBB-; Stable and CARE A3 as on April 01, 2024) and Sagar Steel Processing and Manufacturing Unit (SSPMU), as these entities are 1) controlled by the common partners, 2) both the entities exhibit cash flow fungibility, and 3) the entities have operational linkages.

Outlook: Stable

Detailed description of the key rating drivers:

Please refer to PR dated October 30, 2023

Applicable criteria

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

Policy on Default Recognition

Criteria on Assigning 'Outlook' or 'Rating Watch' to Credit Ratings

CARE Ratings' criteria on consolidation & combined approach

About the firm

Sagar Steel Processing and Manufacturing Unit (SSPMU) engaged in manufacturing of structural steel with an installed capacity of 28,800 tpa. The firm sells the product in the North-Eastern India under the brand name of "Sagar". The other group company of the firm i.e., Sagar Steels (SS) was incorporated as a partnership firm in 1991 by Guwahati based Agarwal family for trading in iron and steel products with a warehouse located at Abhoyapur in Guwahati. The firm is an exclusive authorized distributor of flat products of Tata Steels Limited in the North-East region of India. The firm sells its product through a network of around 300 dealers appointed across the region. The firm has a warehouse of ~2 lakh sq. ft. at Abhoyapur in North Guwahati.

^{*}Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information.

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



Standalone - SSPMU

Brief Financials (₹ crore)	March 31, 2022 (A)	March 31, 2023 (A)
Total operating income	96.88	124.61
PBILDT	10.22	12.80
PAT	7.12	9.66
Overall gearing (times)	0.47	0.66
Interest coverage (times)	9.26	10.13

A: Audited; Note: 'the above results are latest financial results available'

Combined - SS and SSPMU

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	March 31, 2022 (UA)	March 31, 2023 (UA)	9MFY24(UA)^
Total operating income	357.98	396.43	324.85
PBILDT	17.52	21.85	15.78
PAT	11.53	13.67	NA
Overall gearing (times)	1.11	1.44	NA
Interest coverage (times)	4.31	5.43	NA

UA: Audited; NA: Not Available; Note: 'the above results are latest financial results available'

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

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		-	-	-	23.00	CARE BB; Stable; ISSUER 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	23.00	CARE BB; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE BB; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (30-Oct-23)	1)CARE BB; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (27-Sep-22)	1)CARE BB; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (16-Aug-21)

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Annexure-3: Detailed explanation of covenants of rated instruments/facilities: Not applicable

[^]Firms have reported a PBT Rs. 9.18 Cr. and Total Debt amounting to Rs. 79.91 Cr. for the 9MFY24 on a combined basis.

Standalone 9MFY24 figures for SSPMU are not available.

LT: Long term



Annexure-4: Complexity level of instruments rated

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument	Complexity Level	
1	Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	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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