

Need Livelihood Microfinance Private Limited

March 11, 2025

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long-term bank facilities	10.91	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 Rating Limited, vide its press release dated March 06, 2019, placed ratings of NEED Livelihood Microfinance Private Limited (NLMPL) under the 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category as the company had failed to provide the requisite information required for monitoring of the rating as agreed to in its rating agreement. NLMPL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through emails January 03, 2025, December 24, 2024, and December 14, 2024. In line with the extant SEBI guidelines, CARE has reviewed the rating basis best available Information, which however, in CARE Ratings Limited's (CARE Ratings) opinion is not sufficient to arrive at a fair rating. The rating on bank facilities of NLMPL are denoted as 'CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING'.

Users of this rating (including investors, lenders and public at large) are hence requested to exercise caution while using these ratings.

In view of the non-availability of information and lack of management cooperation, CARE Ratings has reaffirmed the rating with stable outlook for bank facilities of NLMPL.

Analytical approach: Standalone

Outlook: Stable

Detailed description of key rating drivers

At the time of last rating on January 29, 2024, the following were the rating strengths and weaknesses. CARE Ratings has not received information for FY24.

Key weaknesses

Small scale of Operations with high concentration

NLMPL's operations remain small with a loan portfolio of ₹10.52 crore as on March 31, 2023. The company's operations are currently restricted in four states only with loan portfolio concentrated in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar accounting for 99.6% of loan book as on December 2017 (per last available data).

Moderate resource base

Major source of external funding for NLMPL has been term loans (short/long term) from banks and financial institutions (FIs). The company's total borrowings down by 78% to ₹0.49 crore as on March 31, 2023. (updated data not available)

Moderate income and profitability

The earnings profile is relatively moderate in FY23 marked by total income of ₹1.95 crore (PY: ₹1.14 crore) and loss reported of ₹0.23 crore (PY: ₹7.13 crore for FY22). The return on total assets (ROTA) was (1.43%) in FY23. (updated data not available)

Key strengths

Experienced promoters and management team

NLMPL is promoted by Anil Singh, who is also member of NLMPL's governing board. He is holding 9.44% shares of the company end March 31, 2023. He has vast experience and a high level of involvement in policy making and approval and other operational areas of the company. Promoters are well-supported by other professionals, having rich experience in their field. Majority 70.47%

^{*}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.



of shares are held by Network of Entrepreneurship and Economic Development (NEED) Financial inclusion trust end March 31, 2023. (updated data not available)

Applicable criteria

Definition of Default

Policy in respect of non-cooperation by issuers

Rating Outlook and Rating Watch

Financial Ratios - Financial Sector

Non Banking Financial Companies

About the company and industry

Industry classification

Macroeconomic indicator	Sector	Industry	Basic industry
Financial services	Financial services	Finance	Microfinance institutions

NLMPL is a private limited company incorporated on November 16, 2015, under Companies Act 2013. It is headquartered in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, India. NLMPL is registered with RBI as a NBFC (Non-Banking Financial Company) since February 02, 2017. The microfinance business of NEED was transferred and consolidated under NLMPL in 2016-17. Of total loan portfolio of ₹19.71 crore of NEED MFI, the loan portfolio of ₹15.12 crore was transferred to NLMPL by March 31, 2017, and remaining portfolio of ₹4.59 crore was transferred in April. NEED is a not for profit entity registered under Society Act 1860 of Society of Registrar. The microfinance operations of NEED were initiated in 2005.

Brief Financials (₹ crore)	March 31, 2021 (A)	March 31, 2022 (A)	March 31, 2023 (A)
Total operating income	4.58	1.95	1.14
PAT	-0.80	-7.13	-0.23
Interest coverage (times)	0.70	-5.67	0.20
Total Assets	25.73	17.20	14.92
Net NPA (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00
ROTA (%)	-2.56	-33.25	-1.43

A: Audited; Note: these are latest available financial results

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Per the PR dated April 14, 2021, Brickwork Ratings has placed NLMPL in the 'Issuer not cooperating' category as the company did not provide the relevant information for carrying out the review. The company has remained non-cooperative since then.

Any other information: Not applicable

Rating history for last three years: Annexure-2

Detailed explanation of covenants of rated instrument / facility: Annexure-3

Complexity level of 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-Term Loan	-	-	-	Not available	10.91	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*



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) assigne d 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#-Term Loan	LT#	10.91	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G* (29-Jan-24)	1)CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G* (03-Nov-22)	1)CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G* (18-Aug-21)

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#LT: Long term

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

Annexure-4: Complexity level of instruments rated

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument	Complexity Level
1	Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	Simple

Annexure-5: Lender details

To view 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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