

A-1 Chips and Exports India Private Limited

May 23, 2025

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action		
Long Term Bank Facilities	5.02	CARE B-; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category		
Short Term Bank Facilities	0.27	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 April 26, 2024, placed the rating(s) of A-1 Chips and Exports India Private Limited (ACEIPL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as ACEIPL had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. ACEIPL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails dated March 12, 2025, March 22, 2025, April 01, 2025 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: Not Applicable

Detailed description of the key rating drivers:

Please refer to PR dated April 26, 2024

Applicable criteria

CARE Rating's criteria on information adequacy risk and issuer non-cooperation Policy on Default Recognition

About the Company

A1 Chips and Exports (India) Private Limited (ACEIPL) was initially established in the name of A1 Chips, commenced as a partnership concern in 1983 by Mr. S. Rajan, Mr. S. Damodharan and Mr. S. Murali for manufacturing and retailing of chips and snacks variety in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu. In order to venture into export in 1999, the promoters started separate concern, A1 Exports as a partnership concern. In 2007, both the concerns were merged and incorporated as a private limited company in the name of ACEIPL. ACEIPL is engaged in the manufacturing of around 430 variety of snacks which includes banana chips, potato chips, tapioca chips, mixtures etc. and around 65 variety of sweets in its state of art facility (spread over 35,000 sq. ft.) located in Pacchapalayam, Kalampalayam post, Perur.

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 instruments/facilities: Annexure-3

Complexity level of various instruments rated: Annexure-4

Lender details: Annexure-5

¹Complete definition of ratings assigned are available at <u>www.careratings.com</u> 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		-	-	-	1.75	CARE B-; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	
Fund-based - LT-Term			-	June	3.27	CARE B-; ISSUER NOT	
Loan		-		2021		COOPERATING*	
Fund-based - ST- Working Capital Limits		-	-	-	0.25	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	
Non-fund-based - ST-					0.02	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT	
Credit Exposure Limit	L	-	-	-	0.02	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 Outstandin g (₹ crore)	Rating	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2025- 2026	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
1	Fund-based - LT- Term Loan	LT	3.27	CARE B-; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE B-; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (26-Apr-24)	-	1)CARE B; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (02-Feb-23)
2	Fund-based - LT- Cash Credit	LT	1.75	CARE B-; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE B-; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (26-Apr-24)	-	1)CARE B; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (02-Feb-23)
3	Fund-based - ST- Working Capital Limits	ST	0.25	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (26-Apr-24)	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (02-Feb-23)
4	Non-fund-based - ST-Credit Exposure Limit	ST	0.02	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (26-Apr-24)	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (02-Feb-23)

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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	Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	Simple	
3	Fund-based - ST-Working Capital Limits	Simple	
4	Non-fund-based - ST-Credit Exposure Limit	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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