

Shri Ram Commodities

May 07, 2025

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Short-term bank facilities	13.23	CARE D; 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 Limited (CARE Ratings) had placed the rating of Shri Ram Commodities (SRC) under the 'issuer not cooperating' (INC) category vide its press release dated March 18, 2024, considering SRC's failure to provide information for monitoring the rating and non-payment of surveillance fees for the rating exercise. The rating of CARE D assigned to short-term bank facilities of SRC continues to remain under INC category, as the firm has neither provided requisite information for monitoring ratings nor paid the surveillance fees for the rating exercise as agreed in its Rating Agreement, despite, CARE Ratings seeking information from SRC to monitor the rating(s) vide e-mail communications dated February 21, 2025, February 11, 2025, and February 01, 2025, and numerous phone calls. In line with the extant Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) guidelines, CARE Ratings has reviewed the rating based on best available information, which in CARE Ratings' opinion is not sufficient to arrive at a fair rating. The rating on SRC's short-term bank facilities will now be denoted as **CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING***.

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

Analytical approach: Standalone

Outlook: Not applicable

Detailed description of key rating drivers:

At the time of last rating on March 18, 2024, following were the rating strengths and weaknesses (CARE Ratings did not receive information after FY22)

Key weaknesses

Ongoing delays

Based on feedback from the banker on February 07, 2023, there are ongoing overdue payments on the term loan, and the cash credit/overdraft (CC/OD) limit is overdrawn. Term loan payments have been overdue since November 2022. There is no updated information available.

Small scale of operations

The firm's operations remain small with total income of ₹4.13 crore in FY22, decreased from ₹5.38 crore in FY21 considering decline in net brokerage income. Updated information is not available.

Inherent volatility in the revenue profile with majority income coming from brokerage segment

The firm's majority income is derived from trading in commodities. Income derived from this segment is highly volatile and speculative in nature. Though income from the segment has increased on a year-on-year basis in FY22, the firm's ability to continue to achieve profits in the segment remains a key rating consideration. Updated information is not available.

Increasingly competitive business segment

Broking business in India is highly competitive and SRC faces fierce competition from large broking firms. Large broking firms are in a better position to reduce operating expenses and maintain their margins. Broking business in India is becoming increasingly competitive with reducing brokerage fees and volatile volumes.

^{*}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.



Constitution of the entity being a partnership firm

SRC's constitution as a partnership firm has the inherent risk of possibility of withdrawal of partners' capital at the time of personal contingency and the firm being dissolved on the death/retirement/insolvency of partners. Partnership firms have restricted access to external borrowing as credit worthiness of partners would be the key factor affecting lenders' credit decision.

Key strengths

Experienced partners:

Rattan Lal Aggarwal, Deepa Gupta and Ramesh Bansal are partners for SRC. They have nine years of industry experience through their association with SRC alone. Partners have adequate acumen across aspects of business, which are likely to benefit SRC in the long run.

Applicable criteria

Definition of Default
Policy in respect of non-cooperation by issuers
Financial Ratios - Financial Sector
Broking Firms

About the company and industry

Industry classification

Short Term Instruments

Macroeconomic indicator	Sector	Industry	Basic industry
Financial services	Financial services	Capital markets	Stockbroking & allied

SRC was established in June 2010 as a partnership firm, and its commercial operations started in 2011. The firm is being currently managed by Rattan Lal Aggarwal, Deepa Gupta, and Ramesh Bansal as its partners. SRC is a trading member of the Multi Commodity Exchange of India Limited (MCX Member ID - 46005) with clearing support of Globe Commodities limited and trading-cum-clearing member of National Commodity and Derivatives exchange Limited (NCDEX Member ID - 01059) since 2011. The firm has also taken the membership from Bombay Stock Exchange Limited (BSE- Member id: 6693) and National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE - Member id: 90150). SRC has 30 franchisees spread across India.

Brief Financials (₹ crore)	March 31, 2020 (A)	March 31, 2021 (A)	March 31, 2022 (A)
Total operating income	2.95	5.38	4.13
PAT	1.18	0.89	0.84
Total assets	0.15	17.13	16.64
RONW (%)	0.21	16.48	12.42
PAT margin (%)	1.16	16.56	20.34

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

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

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 - ST-Bank Overdraft	-	-	-	Not available	4.23	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund- based - ST- Bank Guarantee	-	-	-	Not available	9.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure-2: Rating history for last three years

		Current Ratir			Rating History			
Sr. No	Name of the Instrument/Ban k 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	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	ST**	9.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING *	-	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING * (18-Mar-24)	1)CARE D (21-Mar- 23) 2)CARE D (09-Feb- 23)
2	Fund-based - ST- Bank Overdraft	ST**	4.23	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING *	-	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING * (18-Mar-24)	1)CARE D (21-Mar- 23) 2)CARE D (09-Feb- 23)

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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 - ST-Bank Overdraft	Simple
2	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	Simple

Annexure-5: Lender details

To view lender-wise details of bank facilities please click here

^{**}ST: Short term



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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