

K. B. Tea Product Private Limited

July 04, 2025

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	5.60	CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category and Downgraded from CARE BB-; Stable
Short Term Bank Facilities	0.40	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 & Key Rating Drivers

CARE Ratings Limited (CareEdge Ratings) had, vide its press release dated May 15, 2024, placed the rating(s) of K. B. Tea Product Private Limited (KBTPPL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as KBTPPL had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. KBTPPL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails dated March 31, 2025, April 10, 2025, April 20, 2025 among others. In line with the extant SEBI guidelines, CareEdge Ratings has reviewed the rating on the basis of the best available information which however, in CareEdge Ratings' 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).

The ratings assigned to the bank facilities of KBTPPL have been revised on account of non-availability of requisite information.

Analytical approach: Standalone

Outlook: Stable

Detailed description of the key rating drivers:

Please refer to PR dated [May 15, 2024](#)

Applicable criteria

[Definition of Default](#)

[Information Adequacy Risk and Issuer Non-Cooperation](#)

[Rating Outlook and Rating Watch](#)

About the company

KBTPPL was incorporated in 1998 to initiate a tea blending, packaging and marketing unit at Siliguri in West Bengal. Currently the company is engaged in procuring processed tea leaf from local tea plants and after blending & packaging of the same, markets the same under its own brand name of "City Gold Tea". Currently the company markets its product in 17 states of India and has signed a selling arrangement with Indian Oil Corporation and Northern Railways. The day-to-day affairs of the company are looked after by Mr. Srawan Choudhary with the help of the other directors and a team of experienced personal.

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

¹Complete definition of ratings assigned are available at www.careratings.com 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		-	-	-	5.60	CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee		-	-	-	0.40	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure-2: Rating history for last three years

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument/Bank Facilities	Current Ratings			Rating History			
		Type	Amount Outstanding (₹ 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-Cash Credit	LT	5.60	CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE BB-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (15-May-24)	-	1)CARE BB; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (20-Feb-23)
2	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	ST	0.40	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (15-May-24)	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (20-Feb-23)

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LT: Long term; ST: Short term

Annexure-3: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instruments/facilities: Not Applicable**Annexure-4: Complexity level of the various instruments rated**

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument	Complexity Level
1	Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	Simple
2	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	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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