

Highbar Technologies Limited

October 21, 2022

Ratings

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	11.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Single D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category
Total Bank Facilities	11.00 (Rs. Eleven Crore Only)		

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated August 31, 2021, placed the rating(s) of Highbar Technologies Limited (HTL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as HTL had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating and had not paid the surveillance fees for the rating exercise as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. HTL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated July 17, 2022, July 27, 2022, August 06, 2022.

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).

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

Please refer to PR dated [August 31, 2021](#)

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

[Policy in respect of Non-cooperation by issuer](#)

[Policy on default recognition](#)

About the Company

Highbar Technologies Limited (HTL), a 100% subsidiary of Hindustan Construction Company Ltd (HCC; rated CARE D for its bank facilities and instruments), was formed in 2009 by spinning off the IT department of HCC-one of the largest infrastructure development companies which has implemented Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) as well as other Information Technology (IT) solutions to connect all its project locations on SAP platform. Information technology is very crucial for the infrastructure sector, considering multiple locations and projects that the companies operate in. Thus, HCC leveraged its technical expertise in the infrastructure sector to provide end to end IT services to infrastructure clients. HTL's business mainly involves developing, designing, marketing of supporting services, products and accessories used in field of IT.

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	FY20 (A)	FY21 (A)	FY22 (Prov.)	H1FY23 (Prov.)
Total operating income	12.77	9.73	NA	NA
PBILDT	0.14	-0.03	NA	NA
PAT	-1.77	-1.36	NA	NA
Overall gearing (times)	NM	NM	NA	NA
Interest coverage (times)	0.09	NM	NA	NA

A: Audited, Prov.: Provisional, NA: Not Available; NM: Not meaningful

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: Not Applicable

Rating History for last three years: Please refer Annexure-2

Covenants of rated instrument/facility: Annexure - 3

¹Complete definition of the ratings assigned are available at www.careedge.in and other CARE Ratings Ltd.'s publications

Complexity level of various instruments rated for this company: Annexure - 4
Annexure-1: Details of instruments/facilities

Name of the Instrument	IS IN	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. crore)	Rating Assigned along with Rating Outlook
Fund-based - LT-Term Loan		-	-	March 2023	11.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

**Issuer did not cooperate; Based on best available information*

Annexure-2: Rating history for the last three years

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument / Bank Facilities	Current Ratings			Rating History			
		Type	Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore)	Rating	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2022-2023	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2021-2022	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2020-2021	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2019-2020
1	Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	LT	11.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING *	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING * (31-Aug-21)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING * (28-Jul-20)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING * (02-Jul-19) 2)CARE D (02-Apr-19)

**Issuer did not cooperate; Based on best available information*

Annexure-3: Detailed explanation of the covenants of the rated instruments/facilities: Not applicable
Annexure-4: Complexity level of various instruments rated for this company

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

Annexure-5: Bank lender details for this company

To view the lender wise details of bank facilities please [click here](#)

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument: CARE has classified instruments rated by it on the basis of complexity. Investors/market intermediaries/regulators or others are welcome to write to care@careedge.in for any clarifications.

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