

Kumaran Agro Foods

July 25, 2022

Ratings

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	6.00	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Single B Minus; Outlook: Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category and Revised from CARE B; Stable; (Single B; Outlook: Stable)
Total Bank Facilities	6.00 (Rs. Six Crore Only)		

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated June 29, 2021, placed the rating(s) of Kumaran Agro Foods (KAF) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as KAF 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. KAF continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated May 15, 2022, May 25, 2022, June 04, 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).

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

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

Please refer to PR dated [June 29, 2021](#)

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

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

[Policy on default recognition](#)

[Criteria on assigning outlook and credit watch](#)

About the Firm

Mr. S.N. Dhanushkodi Nadar established a proprietorship concern in the year 1952, which was renamed Kumar Traders in 1969. Later in 1985 it was converted into a partnership concern among his sons and wife. After family partition, in 2009 the concern was renamed as Kumaran Agro Foods (KAF) and the concern was reconstituted among Mr. S.N.D. Raja Shekaran, Ms. Usha Raja Shekaran and Mr. S.N.D.R. Raj Dhanush with equal profit-sharing ratio. KAF is engaged in processing (dehulling) and Marketing of black gram and pigeon pea. After processing, the lentil is sold for consumption and the skin is sold as cattle feed. The firm purchases pulses from suppliers located in Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh and after processing markets to the wholesalers and retailers located in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	FY20 (A)	FY21(A)	FY22(Prov.)	Q1FY23(Prov.)
Total operating income	NA	NA	NA	NA
PBILDT	NA	NA	NA	NA
PAT	NA	NA	NA	NA
Overall gearing (times)	NA	NA	NA	NA
Interest coverage (times)	NA	NA	NA	NA

A: Audited; Prov: Provisional; NA: Not Available

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

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

Complexity level of various instruments rated for this Firm: Annexure-4

Annexure-1: Details of instruments/facilities

Name of the Instrument	ISIN	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. crore)	Rating Assigned along with Rating Outlook
Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit		-	-	-	6.00	CARE B-; Stable; 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-Cash Credit	LT	6.00	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE B; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (29-Jun-21)	1)CARE BB-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (22-May-20)	-

*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 Firm

Sr. No.	Name of Instrument	Complexity Level
1	Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	Simple

Annexure-5: Bank lender details for this Firm

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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