

Essar Agrotech Limited

January 27, 2023

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action	
Long Term Bank Facilities	21.65	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category	

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated November 22, 2021, placed the rating(s) of Essar Agrotech Limited (EAL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as EAL 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. EAL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated October 08, 2022, October 18, 2022, October 28, 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 November 20, 2021

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable criteria

Policy in respect of Non-cooperation by issuer Policy on default recognition

About the Company

EAL was incorporated in April 1993 and is engaged in farming of flowers, plants and vegetable and trading of milk. EAL has established the brand name of 'Indus Fresh Brand' for Dutch roses (13 different types of roses) and exotic vegetables. Currently EAL is producing roses, vegetables, mango, plants and plugs in five sites which include Lonavala, Kamshet, Ooty, Jategaon and Jamnagar.

Brief Financials (₹ crore)	March 31, 2021 (A)	March 31, 2022 (A)	9M2023 (Prov.)
Total operating income	1.31	NA	NA
PBILDT	-3.59	NA	NA
PAT	-9.68	NA	NA
Overall gearing (times)	0.08	NA	NA
Interest coverage (times)	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

²Complete definitions of the ratings assigned are available at <u>www.careedge.in</u> and in other CARE's publications

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^{*}Issuer did not cooperate; Based on best available information



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

Covenants of rated instrument/facility: Detailed explanation of the covenants of the rated instruments/facilities is given in Annexure-3

Complexity level of various instruments rated for this company: Please refer 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 along with Rating Outlook
Fund-based - LT- Cash Credit		-	-	-	3.50	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Fund-based - LT- Term Loan		-	-	May 2028	4.50	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Fund-based - LT- Term Loan		-	-	December 2028	13.65	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure-2: Rating history for the last three years

		Current Ratings			Rating History			
Sr. No	Name of the Instrument/Ba nk Facilities	Typ e	Amount Outstandi ng (₹ 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	13.65	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (22-Nov-21)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (13-Nov-20)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (30-Sep-19)
2	Fund-based - LT- Cash Credit	LT	3.50	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (22-Nov-21)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (13-Nov-20)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (30-Sep-19)
3	Fund-based - LT- Term Loan	LT	4.50	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (22-Nov-21)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (13-Nov-20)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (30-Sep-19)

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Annexure-3: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instrument / facilities - Not Applicable

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Annexure-4: Complexity level of various instruments:

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

Annexure-5: Lender details

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

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument: CARE Ratings 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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