

Backbone Projects Limited

July 27, 2022

Ratings

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	12.56	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Single D ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category
Short Term Bank Facilities	1.02	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Single D ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category
Total Bank Facilities	13.58 (₹ Thirteen Crore and Fifty-Eight Lakhs Only)		

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated May 31, 2021, placed the rating(s) of Backbone Projects Limited (BPL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as BPL 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. BPL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated April 17, 2022, April 26, 2022, May 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 May 31, 2021

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

Policy in respect of Non-cooperation by issuer Policy on Default Recognition

About the Company

Backbone Projects Limited (BBPL) was initially constituted as a partnership firm Backbone Construction Company in 1987 by Mr. Jayantibhai M Jakasania and subsequently converted into public limited company in 1995. The company is in the business of construction of canals, dams, roads and bridges. BBPL mainly executes projects for government and semi-government authorities.

Brief Financials (₹ crore)	FY20 (A)	FY21 (A)	FY22 (Prov.)	Q1FY23 (Prov.)
Total operating income	33.38	1.35	NA	NA
PBILDT	-1.29	-1.46	NA	NA
PAT	0.19	-2.25	NA	NA
Overall gearing (times)	0.25	0.24	NA	NA
Interest coverage (times)	NM	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: Please refer Annexure-3

Complexity level of various instruments rated for this company: Please refer Annexure-4

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¹Complete definition of the ratings assigned are available at <u>www.careedge.in</u> and other CARE publications *Issuer did not cooperate; Based on best available information



Annexure-1: Details of Instruments/Facilities

Name of the Instrument	ISIN	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (₹ crore)	Rating Assigned along with Rating Outlook
Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	ı	ı	-	-	1.02	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Fund-based - LT-Working capital Term Loan	ı	ı	-	March 2022	10.29	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	ı	ı	-	-	1.41	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	ı	ı	-	April 2022	0.86	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure-2: Rating History of last three years

		Current Ratings			Rating History			
Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument/ Bank Facilities	Тур е	Amount Outstanding (₹ 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	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	ST	1.02	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (31- May-21)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (08- May-20)	-
2	Fund-based - LT-Working capital Term Loan	LT	10.29	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (31- May-21)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (08- May-20)	-
3	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	LT	1.41	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (31- May-21)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (08- May-20)	-
5	Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	LT	0.86	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (31- May-21)	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (08- May-20)	-

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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-Cash Credit	Simple
2	Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	Simple
3	Fund-based - LT-Working capital Term Loan	Simple
4	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	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 instruments: 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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