

Gardex

August 30, 2022

Ratings

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Short Term Bank Facilities	54.10	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (A Four; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*)	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category
Total Bank Facilities	54.10 (Rs. Fifty-Four Crore and Ten Lakhs Only)		

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated July 07, 2021, placed the rating(s) of Gardex (G) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as G 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. G continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated May 23, 2022, June 02, 2022, June 12, 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_July 07, 2021

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

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

About the Firm

The firm was initially incorporated in 1995 by Mr. Gautam Kapoor and his brother, Mr. Sarat Chopra by the name 'Filex' to carry out the business of manufacturing of striking and garden tools. Later in April 2007, the firm was rechristened as 'Gardex'. The other two partners in the firm are Mr. Mukul Dutt and Mr Sarat Chopra's wife, Mrs. Shivani Chopra. Gardex manufactures and exports striking tools and garden equipments like hammers, bars, chisels, shovels, rakes, hoes, picks, mattocks and axes. In the US market, Gardex sells its products under its registered brand name 'Python'. Other major groups concerns of the firm include M/s India Files Manufacturing Company, Grand Windsor Resorts Limited and Black Jack Private Limited. Further, in April 2019, the assets and liabilities of the firm were taken over by Gardex India Private Limited.

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

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Brickwork has continued the rating assigned to the bank facilities of Gardex rating into Issuer Not Cooperating category vide press release dated March 22, 2022 on account of its inability to carry out a review in the absence of the requisite information from the company.

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

 ${}^{1}\!\text{Complete definition of the ratings assigned are available at } \underline{\text{www.careedge.in}} \text{ and other CARE Ratings Ltd.'s publications}$

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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 - ST-EPC/PSC		-	-	ı	46.50	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST- Letter of credit		-	-	-	7.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee		-	-	-	0.60	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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

Annexure-2: Rating history for the last three years

		Current Ratings			Rating History			
Sr. No	Name of the Instrument / Bank Facilities	Typ e	Amount Outstandin g (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 - ST-EPC/PSC	ST	46.50	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING *	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING * (07-Jul-21)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING * (29-May-20)	-
2	Non-fund- based - ST- Letter of credit	ST	7.00	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING *	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING * (07-Jul-21)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING * (29-May-20)	-
3	Non-fund- based - ST- Bank Guarantee	ST	0.60	CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING *	-	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING * (07-Jul-21)	1)CARE A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING * (29-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 firm

Sr. No.	Name of Instrument	Complexity Level
1	Fund-based - ST-EPC/PSC	Simple
2	Non-fund-based - ST-Bank Guarantee	Simple
3	Non-fund-based - ST-Letter of credit	Simple

Annexure-5: Bank lender details for this firm

To view the lender wise details of bank facilities please <u>click here</u>

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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