

Nathella Sampath Jewelry Private Limited

October 25, 2017

Ratings

Facilities	Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action		
Long-term/Short-term Bank Facilities	355.00	CARE D/CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* [Single D/Single D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*]	Revised from CARE BBB/CARE A3; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING [Triple B/A Three; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING] on the basis of best available information		
Total	355.00 (Rs. Three hundred and fifty five crore only)				

Details of facilities in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

Further to CARE's press release dated August 2, 2017 on Nathella Sampath Jewelry Private Limited (NSJPL) wherein the rating on the company's bank facilities were denoted as "Issuer not cooperating", CARE has been seeking information from the company to monitor the rating vide various e-mail communications and telephone calls. However, despite repeated attempts by CARE, the company has not provided the requisite information for monitoring the ratings. In line with the extant SEBI guidelines, CARE has reviewed the rating on the basis of the publicly available information which however, in CARE'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 ratings.

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

CARE has noted from publicly available information on closure of NSJPL's retail showrooms and failure to meet commitments under the Gold saving's schemes. Further, CARE's interaction with bankers indicates delays in debt servicing by the company.

Analytical approach:

Standalone

Applicable Criteria

Policy in respect of Non-cooperation by issuer CARE's Policy on Default Recognition Criteria for short term instruments CARE's methodology for manufacturing companies Financial ratios –Non-Financial Sector CARE's methodology for organized retail companies

About the Company

NSJPL, a Chennai-based company was incorporated on April 3, 2007 by the amalgamation of three partnership firms namely, Nathella Sampath Jewellerie, NSC Jewellers and NSC & Co. The group was promoted by Sriman Nathella Sampathu Chetty Garu in 1928 and the retail operations commenced in 1998. The company is primarily engaged in trading of gold jewellery and gold bullion which accounted for almost 98% of the income for FY16 at Rs.1,388 crore. The

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

company derives majority of its revenues from wholesaling of gold jewellery which contributed to 72% (FY15: 74 %) of the company's net sales in FY16.

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	FY15 (A)	FY16 (A)
Total operating income	1,415	1,428
PBILDT	74	70
PAT	18	16
Overall gearing (times)	2.31	2.42
Interest coverage (times)	1.78	1.64

A: Audited

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA:

CRISIL had suspended its rating vide press release dated June 30, 2015 on account of its inability to carry out a rating surveillance 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

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument: CARE has classified instruments rated by it on the basis of complexity. This classification is available at www.careratings.com. Investors/market intermediaries/regulators or others are welcome to write to care@careratings.com for any clarifications.

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Annexure-1: Details of Facilities

Name of the Instrument	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. crore)	Rating assigned along with Rating Outlook
Fund-based - LT/ ST- Cash Credit	-	-	-		CARE D / CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Fund-based/Non-fund- based-LT/ST	-	-	-	300.00	CARE D / CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

Annexure-2: Rating History of last three years

Sr.	Name of the	Current Ratings			Rating history			
No.	Instrument/Bank	Туре	Amount	Rating	Date(s) &	Date(s) &	Date(s) &	Date(s) &
	Facilities		Outstanding		Rating(s) assigned	Rating(s)	Rating(s)	Rating(s)
			(Rs. crore)		in 2017-2018	assigned	assigned	assigned
						in 2016-	in 2015-	in 2014-
						2017	2016	2015
1.	Fund-based - LT/ ST-	LT/ST	55.00	CARE D / CARE D;	1)CARE BBB /	1)CARE	1)CARE	-
	Cash Credit			ISSUER NOT	CARE A3; ISSUER	BBB /	BBB /	
				COOPERATING*	NOT	CARE A3	CARE A3	
					COOPERATING*	(25-Oct-	(28-Aug-	
					(02-Aug-17)	16)	15)	
							2)CARE	
							BBB- /	
							CARE A3	
							(15-Apr-	
							15)	
	Fund-based/Non-	LT/ST	300.00	CARE D / CARE D;	1)CARE BBB /	1)CARE	1)CARE	-
	fund-based-LT/ST			ISSUER NOT	CARE A3; ISSUER	BBB /	BBB /	
				COOPERATING*	NOT	CARE A3	CARE A3	
					COOPERATING*	(25-Oct-	(28-Aug-	
					(02-Aug-17)	16)	15)	
							2)CARE	
							BBB- /	
							CARE A3	
							(15-Apr-	
							15)	





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