

# **Shree Azad Transport Company Private Limited**

December 12, 2019

Ratings

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating <sup>1</sup>	Rating Action	
Long-term Bank Facilities	7.50	CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (Single B Plus; Outlook:Stable Issuer Not Cooperating)	Issuer Not Cooperating; Revised From CARE BB-; On the basis of Best Available Information	
Total	7.50 (Rupees Seven Crore And Fifty Lakhs Only)			

Details of facilities in Annexure-1

#### **Detailed Rationale & Key Rating Drivers**

CARE has been seeking information from Shree Azad Transport Company Private Limited to monitor the rating(s) vide e-mail communications/letters dated November 14, 2019, November 15, 2019 and November 18, 2019 and numerous phone calls. However, despite our repeated requests, 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 best available information which however, in CARE's opinion is not sufficient to arrive at a fair rating. The rating on Shree Azad Transport Company Private Limited's bank facilities will now be denoted as CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING\*.

# Users of this rating (including investors, lenders and the public at large) are hence requested to exercise caution while using the above ratings.

The rating has been revised by taking into account non-availability of information and no due diligence was conducted due to non-cooperation by Shree Azad Transport Company Private Limited with CARE's efforts to undertake a review of the rating outstanding. CARE views information unavailability risk as a key factor in its assessment of credit risk.

#### Detailed description of the key rating drivers

At the time of last rating on October 03, 2018 the following were the rating strengths and weaknesses:

## **Key Rating Weaknesses**

## Highly fragmented and competitive nature of the industry

The logistics industry is highly fragmented and competitive industry. The entry barriers in the business are low, thus allowing a large number of small and unorganized players to compete in the market. However, the smaller players typically restrict themselves to certain segments of the logistics business and resort to unhealthy under-cutting of prices.

#### **Key Rating Strengths**

## Wide experience of promoters of over three decades in logistic industry and long track record of operations

Mr. Raj Kumar Tekriwal, Managing Director, has three decades of experience in logistic industry through his association with the company since inception. While Mr. Saurav Tekriwal, who has more than a decade experience in logistic industry. They both handle the overall operations of the company.

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

Policy in respect of Non-cooperation by issuer
CARE's methodology for Manufacturing Companies
Financial Ratios- Non-Financial Sector

# **About the Company**

Delhi based Shree Azad Transportation Company Private Limited (STPL) was incorporated on April 20, 1993 by Mr. Raj Kumar Tekriwal. The company has succeeded an erstwhile partnership firm M/s Azad Transport Agency in which Mr. Raj Kumar Tekriwal and his family members were partners. With the increase in turnover, the said firm was converted into private limited company. The company is a logistics service provider and is engaged in providing transportation and carrier services mainly in Jharkhand, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh. STPL has 60 branches across India. The company owns 20 warehouses in U.P., Bihar, Delhi, and Gujarat and has taken 40 warehouses on lease in Bihar, Jharkhand and U.P.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Complete definitions of the ratings assigned are available at <u>www.careratings.com</u> and in other CARE publications

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# **Press Release**



Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	FY17 (A)	FY18(A)
Total operating income	126.26	119.54
PBILDT	3.88	3.43
PAT	0.88	0.84
Overall gearing (times)	1.91	1.72
Interest coverage (times)	1.74	1.93

A: Audited

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: Not Applicable

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

# Annexure-1: Details of Instruments/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- Term Loan	-	-	-	7.50	CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* Issuer not cooperating; Revised from CARE BB-; Stable; ISSUER
					NOT COOPERATING* on the basis of best available information

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## 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) & Rating(s)	Date(s) & Rating(s)	Date(s) &
	Facilities		Outstanding		Rating(s)	assigned in 2018-	assigned in 2017-	Rating(s)
			(Rs. crore)		assigned	2019	2018	assigned
					in 2019-			in 2016-
					2020			2017
1.	Fund-based -	LT	7.50	CARE B+; Stable;	-	1)CARE BB-;	1)CARE BB-;	1)CARE
	LT-Term Loan			ISSUER NOT		Stable; ISSUER	ISSUER NOT	BB-
				COOPERATING*		NOT	COOPERATING*	(13-
				Issuer not		COOPERATING*	(06-Apr-17)	Apr-16)
				cooperating;		(03-Oct-18)		
				Revised from				
				CARE BB-; Stable;				
				ISSUER NOT				
				COOPERATING*				
				on the basis of				
				best available				
				information				

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