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Ario Infrastructure Private Limited May 24, 2024

Ratings

Facilities/ Instruments	Amount (INR crore)	Ratings	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator
Long Term Bank Facilities	4.00	IVR B-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR B minus with Negative Outlook Issuer Not Cooperating*)	Rating reaffirmed and continued in Issuer Not Cooperating category	Simple
Long Term Bank Facilities/ Short Term Bank Facilities	20.00	IVR B-/ Negative/ IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR B minus with Negative Outlook Issuer Not Cooperating and IVR A Four Issuer Not Cooperating)	Rating reaffirmed and continued in Issuer Not Cooperating category	Simple
Total	24.00 (INR Twenty-four crores only)	00		

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

Details of Facilities are in Annexure 1

Detailed Rationale

Infomerics has reaffirmed the ratings and continues the ratings assigned of Ario Infrastructure Private Limited (AIPL) in the ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category because of lack of adequate information for rating review from the company and hence the uncertainty around its credit risk. Infomerics assesses whether the information available about the entity is commensurate with its rating and reviews the same as per its policy.

The lenders, investors and other market participants are thus advised to exercise appropriate caution while using this rating as the rating may not adequately reflect the credit risk profile of the company.

Non-cooperation by Issuer

Infomerics has been regularly following up with the company to provide the required data to monitor its assigned rating to the bank facilities vide e-mail communications dated May 08, 2024, May 09, 2024, and May 13, 2024, and concurrently over several phone calls. However, despite repeated requests by Infomerics, the company's management has not submitted

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surveillance fees and all the essential details required for detailed review of the assigned ratings.

Availability of information is very critical in rating exercise. In the absence of the requisite information, in consonance with SEBI guidelines, Infomerics has to assign the ratings based on the best available information. Accordingly, the long- term and the short-term ratings for the bank facilities aggregating to INR 24.00 crore shall be continuing in 'ISSUER NOT COOPERATING' category by Infomerics and shall be denoted as IVR B-/ Negative/ IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING; Based on best available information (IVR B minus with Negative Outlook and IVR A Four Issuer Not Cooperating, based on best available information).

Analytical Approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria:

Rating Methodology for Infrastructure Companies

Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-Financial Sector)

Guidelines on what constitutes Non-Cooperation by clients

Criteria of Rating Outlook

Policy on default recognition

About the company

Ario Infrastructure Private Limited (AIPL) was initially established as a partnership firm by the name of M/s. Ario Brothers in 1976 by Mr. Ajit Sarkar and his brothers. The constitution of the firm was changed to a private limited company in 2009. AIPL is an onshore construction company involved in the city gas distribution and oil distribution networks. The company carries out major projects of cross-country pipeline, city gas distribution network, plant piping and equipment erection. At present, Mr. Ashok Sarkar (son of Mr. Ajit Sarkar) is the Director of the company. His wife, Mrs. Kalpana Sarkar is also a director in the company. The company's office is situated in Vadodara, Gujarat. The company has executed projects in the past for reputed PSU's like ONGC, IOCL, GAIL etc.

Financials (Standalone)

(INR Crore)

For the year ended* / As On	31.03.2019	31.03.2020	
	Audited	Provisional	
Total Operating Income	20.77	12.94	
EBITDA	3.01	1.65	
PAT	0.66	0.47	



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Total Debt	11.84	11.24	
Tangible Net worth	3.06	3.53	
Ratios			
EBITDA Margin (%)	14.51	12.76	
PAT Margin (%)	3.09	3.51	
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	3.87	3.19	

^{*}Classification as per Infomerics' standards

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Nil

Any other information: Nil

Rating History for last three years:

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		Current Rating (Year 2024-25)			Rating History for the past 3 years			
SI. No.	Name of Instrument/ Facilities	Туре	Amount Outstanding (Rs. Crore)	Rating	Date (s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2023-24 (April 26, 2023)	Date (s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2022-23	Date (s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2021-22 (Feb 22, 2022)	
1.	Term Loan	Long Term	4.00	IVR B-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	IVR B-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	IVR B ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	
2.	Inland/ Foreign LC	Long Term/ Short Term	2.00	IVR B-/ Negative/ IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	IVR B-/ Negative/ IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	IVR B/ IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	
3.	Bank Guarantee	Long Term/ Short Term	18.00	IVR B-/ Negative/ IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	IVR B-/ Negative/ IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	IVR B/ IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	

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About Infomerics:

Infomerics was founded in the year 1986 by a team of highly experienced and knowledgeable finance professionals. Subsequently, after obtaining Securities Exchange Board of India registration and RBI accreditation and the activities of the company are extended to External Credit Assessment Institution (ECAI).

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Infomerics evaluates wide range of debt instruments which helps corporates open horizons to raise capital and provides investors enlightened investment opportunities. The transparent, robust and credible rating has gained the confidence of Investors and Banks.

Infomerics has a pan India presence with Head Office in Delhi, branches in major cities and representatives in several locations.

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Annexure 1: Details of Facility

Name of Facility	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Cash Credit	-	-	-	4.00	IVR B-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Inland/Foreign LC	-	-	-	2.00	IVR B-/ Negative/ IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Bank Guarantee	-	-	-	18.00**	IVR B-/ Negative/ IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure 2: Facility wise lender details: Not Applicable

Annexure 3: List of companies considered for consolidated analysis: Not Applicable

Annexure 4: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instrument/facilities: Not Applicable

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument: Infomerics has classified instruments rated by it on the basis of complexity and a note thereon is available at www.infomerics.com