

## **Press Release**

# Hindusthan Specialty Chemicals Limited December 07, 2023

Ratings:

Facilities/ Instruments	Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Ratings*	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator	
Long Term Bank Facilities- Term Loan	137.42	IVR B+/Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* [IVR Single B Plus with Negative Outlook; Issuer Not Cooperating*]	Revised and moved in Issuer not cooperating category	Simple	
Long Term Fund Based Facilities	13.00	IVR B+/Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* [IVR Single B Plus with Negative Outlook; Issuer Not Cooperating*]	Revised and moved in Issuer not cooperating category	Simple	
Short Term Non- Fund Based Facilities	ased 109.00 A Four Issuer Not		Revised and moved in Issuer not cooperating category	Simple	
Total	259.42 (Rupees Two Hundred Fifty-Nine Crore & Forty – Two Lakhs Only)				

<sup>\*</sup>Issuer not cooperating; Based on best available information



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#### **Details of Facilities are in Annexure 1**

#### **Detailed Rationale**

The aforesaid rating revision to the bank facilities of Hindusthan Specialty Chemicals Limited reflects lack of adequate information available about the performance of the firm and the uncertainty around its credit risk. Infomerics assesses whether the information available about the company 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 firm, despite the downgrade.

### Non-Cooperation by Issuer:

Infomerics has been regularly following up with the firm to provide the required data to monitor its assigned ratings to the bank facilities, vide mails communications dated October 30, November 10, November 28, December 04, 2023, and concurrently over several phone calls. However, despite repeated requests by Infomerics, the firm's management has not submitted all the essential details/information for surveillance exercise.

In the absence of the relevant information, in consonance with SEBI guidelines, Infomerics has moved the bank loan facilities of Hindusthan Specialty Chemicals Limited aggregating to Rs. 259.42 crore under the 'ISSUER NOT COOPERATING' category. The long-term rating is now denoted as IVR B+/Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING\*, and the short-term rating is now denoted as IVR A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING.

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Analytical Approach: Standalone

**Applicable Criteria:** 

Rating Methodology for Manufacturing Companies

Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-Financial Sector)

Guidelines on what constitutes Non-Cooperation by clients

Criteria for assigning rating outlook



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### **About the Company**

Hindusthan Speciality Chemicals Limited (HSCL) is one of the leading producers of Epoxy Resins, Reactive Diluents, Curing agents and specialised Epoxy systems in India. HSCL has set up chemical project with state-of-the-art manufacturing facility for Epoxy Resins and allied products at Jhagadia Industrial Estate, Bharuch, Gujarat. The commercial production of the plant started from March 2019. The products of the company are widely used in civil construction, coatings, electrical, & electronics, composites, laminations, adhesives, tooling, and other niche end use segments. HSCL mainly deals into 2 types of product categories i.e., Industrial and Speciality products.

Financials (Standalone):

For the Year ended*/ As on	31-03-2020	31-03-2021	31-03-2023	
	Audited	Audited	Audited	
Total Operating Income	188.45	450.86	362.15	
EBIDTA	27.89	48.22	-23.09	
PAT	-5.87	8.87	-47.48	
Total Debt	152.09	152.34	-	
Tangible Net Worth	117.59	117.59 136.76		
Ratios				
EBITDA Margin (%)	14.80	10.69	-6.37	
PAT Margin (%)	-3.09	1.96	-13.11	
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	1.29	1.11	-	



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Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Nil

Any other information: Not Applicable



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		Current Ratings (Year 2023- 24)			Rating History for the past 3 years				
S r. No	Name of Instrum ent/ Facilitie s	Ty pe	Amount outstand ing (INR Crore)	Rating	Date(s ) & Rating (s) assign ed in 2022- 2023 (15th Janua ry ,2023)	Date(s) & Rating(s ) assigne d in 2022- 2023 (Septem ber 12 ,2022)	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2021-2022 (July 29, 2021)	Date(s ) & Rating (s) assign ed in 2020- 2021	
1.	Long Term Bank Facilitie s- Term Loan	Lon g Ter m	137.42	IVR B+/Negative ; ISSUER NOT COOPERAT ING*	IVR BB-/ Negati ve	IVR BBB-/ Stable	Supporte d: IVR BBB- (CE)/Stab le Outlook Unsuppor ted: IVR BB+/ Stable	-	
2.	Long Term Bank Facilitie s- Cash Credit	Lon g Ter m	13.00	IVR B+/Negative ; ISSUER NOT COOPERAT ING*	IVR BB-/ Negati ve	IVR BBB-/ Stable	Supporte d: IVR BBB- (CE)/Stab le Outlook Unsuppor ted: IVR BB+/ Stable	-	
3.	Short Term Bank Facilitie s	Sh ort Ter m	109.00	IVR A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERAT ING*	IVR A4	IVR A3	Supporte d: IVR A3 (CE) Unsuppor ted: IVR A4+	-	

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Adhering to best international practices and maintaining high degree of ethics, the team of analysts at Infomerics deliver quality credit ratings. Infomerics evaluates wide range of debt instruments which helps corporates access to financial markets and provides investors credit ratings backed by in-depth research. The transparent, robust, and credible ratings have gained the confidence of investors and the banks.

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#### Annexure 1: Details of Facilities:

Name of Facility	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Long Term- Term Loan	-	-	-	137.42	IVR B+/ Negative; INC
Long Term- Cash Credit	-	-	-	13.00	IVR B+/ Negative; INC
Short Term- Letter of Credit	-	-	180 days	109.00	IVR A4; INC

<sup>\*</sup> Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information

Annexure 2: List of companies considered for consolidated analysis: Not Applicable

Annexure 3: Facility wise lender details: Not Available

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 <a href="https://www.infomerics.com">www.infomerics.com</a>.