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Nithin Sai Construction

July 10, 2024

Rat	lings				
Security / Facility	Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Ratings	Previous Ratings	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator
Long Term Bank Facilities	15.00	IVR BB+; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR Double B Plus with Negative outlook; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING)	IVR BBB-; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR Triple B Minus with Negative outlook; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING)	Downgraded	Simple
Short Term Bank Facilities	170.00	IVR A4+; Issuer Not Cooperating* (IVR A Four Plus; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING)	IVR A3; Issuer Not Cooperating* (IVR A Three; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING)	Downgraded	Simple
Total	185.00 (Rupees one hundred and eighty-five crore only)		20		

*Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information

Details of Facilities/Instruments are in Annexure 1. Facility wise lender details are at Annexure 2. Detailed explanation of covenants is at Annexure 3.

Detailed Rationale

Infomerics Ratings has downgraded the ratings assigned to the bank facilities of Nithin Sai Construction (NSC) because of continuous non-cooperation by the firm despite repeated follow ups and lack of adequate information leading to information availability risk and hence uncertainty around its credit risk. The outlook remains negative due to information availability risk.Infomerics Ratings assesses whether the information available about the firm 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.

Non-cooperation by Issuer

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Infomerics Ratings has been regularly following up with the firm to provide the required data to monitor its assigned rating to the bank facilities, vide E-mail communications dated June 27, 2024, July 01, 2024, July 04, 2024, and concurrently over several phone calls. However, despite repeated requests by Infomerics Ratings, the firm's management has not submitted 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 Ratings has to assign the rating based on the best available information. Accordingly, the ratings assigned to the bank loan facilities aggregating to Rs.185.00 crore of Nithin Sai Construction shall be continued to remain under the 'ISSUER NOT COOPERATING' category and the long-term rating will be noted as IVR BB+; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING; Based on best available information (IVR Double B Plus with Negative outlook; Issuer Not Co-operating; Based on best available information) and the short-term rating will be noted as IVR A4+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING; Based on best available information (IVR Double B Plus with Negative outlook; Issuer Not Co-operating; Based on best available information (IVR A Four Plus; Issuer Not Co-operating; Based on best available information, available information). The outlook remained negative due to information availability risk.

Analytical Approach: Standalone Applicable Criteria:

Guidelines on what constitutes Non-Cooperation by clientsPolicy of default recognitionCriteria of assigning Rating outlookRating Methodology for infrastructure companiesFinancial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-Financial Sector)Criteria on Complexity

Liquidity: Unable to comment due to non-availability of information despite repeated follow ups.

About the Firm

Nithin Sai Construction (NSC) was established in the year 1995 as a construction aggregate supply proprietorship concern by Mr. Gonuguntla Suryanarayana. Later during February 2006, it was converted into a Partnership firm. In the year 2009, the firm expanded its business into civil construction as it is currently engaged in civil construction works like construction of Soler



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and Wind power projects, Asphalt paving, concrete paving, excavation, Telecom cables laying and electric transmission lines, construction of Bridges and flyovers and other EPC, Turnkey Projects. The firm renders its service to the states like Delhi, Tripura, and Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh.

Financials (Standalone): Latest Financial not available

		(Rs. crore)
For the year ended/ As on*	31-03-2021	31-03-2022
	Audited	Audited
Total Operating Income	149.96	359.84
EBITDA	21.58	49.85
PAT	7.25	22.68
Total Debt	42.60	40.95
Tangible Net Worth	29.98	65.67
EBITDA Margin (%)	14.39	13.85
PAT Margin (%)	4.82	6.29
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	1.42	0.62
Interest Coverage (x)	5.08	9.53

* Classification as per Infomerics' standards.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Nil

Any other information: Nil

Rating History for last three years:

Sr.	Name of	Current	Ratings (Year	2024-2025)	Rating History for the past 3 years			
No.	Security/ Facilities	Type (Long Term/ Short Term)	Amount outstanding (Rs. Crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2023-24	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2022-23		Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2021-22
					March 01, 2024	Feb 20, 2023	Apr 29, 2022	-
1.	Cash Credit	Long Term	15.00	IVR BB+; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	IVR BBB-; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	IVR BBB+; Stable	IVR BBB; Stable	-
2.	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	170.00	IVR A4+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	IVR A3; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	IVR A2	IVR A3+	-

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Annexure 1: Instrument/Facility Details

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Name of Facility/ Security	ISIN	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook	
Long Term Bank Facilities – Cash Credit	-	-	-	-	15.00	IVR BB+; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING	

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Short Term Bank Facilities – Bank Guarantee	-	-	-	-	170.00	IVR A4+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING
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Annexure 2: Facility wise lender details: Not Available

Annexure 3: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated Security/facilities: Not Applicable

Annexure 4: List of companies considered for consolidated/Combined analysis: 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 <u>www.infomerics.com</u>.

