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Royal Agro Farm Private Limited (erstwhile Royal Agro Farm)

January 23, 2025

Ratings

Instrument / Facility	Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Ratings	Previous Ratings	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator
Long Term Facilities	26.74	IVR D ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR D Issuer Not Cooperating)	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR Double B Minus with Negative Outlook Issuer Not Cooperating)	Downgraded and continued under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	<u>Simple</u>
Proposed Long Term Facilities	28.26	IVR D ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR D Issuer Not Cooperating)	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR Double B Minus with Negative Outlook Issuer Not Cooperating)	Downgraded and continued under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	<u>Simple</u>
Total	55.00 (Rupees Fifty Five Crore Only)				

^{*}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 has downgraded the long-term rating and continued the rating of the bank facility of Royal Agro Farm Private Limited (erstwhile Royal Agro Farm) in the ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category due to intermittent delays in the debt servicing as confirmed by the company's banker, 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.



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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 & NDS to monitor its assigned rating to the bank facility, vide mail communications dated January 08, 2025, January 13, 2025, and January 20, 2025, and concurrently over several phone calls. However, despite repeated requests by Infomerics, the company's management has not submitted the essential details/information for surveillance exercise.

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 rating of the bank loan facility aggregating to Rs.55.00 crore of Royal Agro Farm Private Limited (erstwhile Royal Agro Farm) shall be continue to be in 'ISSUER NOT COOPERATING' category by Infomerics and the long-term rating will be denoted as IVR D ISSUER NOT COOPERATING; based on best available information (IVR D Issuer not cooperating; based on best available information).

Analytical Approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria:

Guidelines on what constitutes Non-Cooperation by clients

Criteria of assigning Rating Outlook

Rating Methodology for Manufacturing Companies

Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-Financial Sector)

Complexity Level of Rated Instruments/Facilities

Policy on Default Recognition

About the company

Incorporated in May 2017 as a partnership firm Royal Agro Farm and rechristened in December 2020 as Royal Agro Farm Pvt Ltd is a Chennai-based entity mainly involved in broiler farming business. The company catchment area consists of Tamil Nadu and adjoining



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Andhra Pradesh. Currently, the firm has tie-ups with around 600- 700 farms and has about 18 branches of its own divided into 3 zones in Tamil Nadu, Chittoor (AP) and Anakel (Bangalore, Karnataka). The entity was constituted previously as a partnership firm in with the partners, Mr. M. S. Sunther and Mrs. Sivagami Sunther. Both the partners have also diversified business interests like Solar Projects, vehicle dealerships, logistics and food processing through their other entities.

Financials (Standalone):

(Rs. crore)

For the year ended/ As on*	31-03-2020	31-03-2021
	Audited	Audited
Total Operating Income	214.76	141.19
EBITDA	4.46	5.01
PAT	0.33	0.25
Total Debt	18.96	27.26
Tangible Net Worth	65.78	64.38
EBITDA Margin (%)	2.08	3.55
PAT Margin (%)	0.15	0.18
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	0.29x	0.42x
Interest Coverage (x)	2.58	2.33

^{*} Classification as per Infomerics' standards.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Nil

Any other information: Not Applicable

Rating History for last three years:

		Current Ratings (2024-25)			Rating History for the past 3 years			
Sr. No	Name of Security/ Facilities	Type (Long Term/Sh ort Term)	Amount outstan ding (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	
					December 15, 2023	October 10, 2022	July 28, 2021	June 03, 2021
1	Term Loan	Long Term	16.24	IVR D/ ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG*	IVR BB; ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING*	IVR BB+/Stable (Reaffirme d and Removed from	IVR BB+/Stable, Issuer Not Cooperating*



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		Current Ratings (2024-25)			Rating History for the past 3 years			
Sr. No	Name of Security/ Facilities	Type Amount outstan Term/Sh ding ort (Rs. Term) Crore)		Rating	Date(s) & Date(s) & Rating(s) Date(s) & Rasigned in 2023-24 2022-23			
							ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING)	
2	Proposed Term Loan	Long Term	8.76	IVR D/ ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G*	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG	IVR BB; ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING*	IVR BB+/Stable (Reaffirme d and Removed from ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING)	-
3	Cash Credit	Long Term	10.50	IVR D/ ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG	IVR BB; Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING*	IVR BB+/Stable (Reaffirme d and Removed from ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING)	IVR BB+/Stable, Issuer Not Cooperating*
4	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	19.50	IVR D/ ISSUER NOT COOPERATIN G	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG	IVR BB; Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING*	IVR BB+/Stable (Reaffirme d and Removed from ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING)	IVR BB+/Stable, Issuer Not Cooperating*

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Annexure 1: Instrument/Facility Details

Name of Facility/ /Security	ISIN	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Term Loan	-	-	-	June 2027	16.24	IVR D/ ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Proposed Term Loan	-	-	-	-	8.76	IVR D/ ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Cash Credit	-	-	-	-	10.50	IVR D/ ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Proposed Cash Credit	-	-	-	-	19.50	IVR D/ ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure 2: Facility wise lender details: Not Applicable

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 www.infomerics.com.