



## Press Release

### Siva Foods Impex Private Limited

March 13, 2024

#### Ratings

Instrument / Facility	Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Ratings*	Previous Ratings	Rating Action	<a href="#">Complexity Indicator</a>
Long Term Bank Facilities	34.62	IVR BB-, Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING (IVR Double B Minus with Negative Outlook, ISSUER NOT COOPERATING)	IVR BB+, Stable (IVR Double B Plus with Stable outlook)	Rating downgraded and moved to Issuer Not Cooperating category	Simple
Short Term Bank Facilities	8.00	IVR A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING (IVR A Four; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING)	IVR A4+ (IVR A Four Plus)	Rating downgraded and moved to Issuer Not Cooperating category	Simple
<b>Total</b>	<b>42.62</b> <b>(INR Forty-Two Crore and Sixty-Two Lakh only)</b>				

*\*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

The downgrade in the long-term and short-term ratings assigned to the bank facilities of Siva Foods Impex Private Limited (SFIPL) is because of non-cooperation by the entity and lack of adequate information regarding SFIPL's performance 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 outlook is revised from 'Stable' to 'Negative' due to information availability risk.

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 entity.



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### **Non-cooperation by Issuer**

Infomerics Ratings has been regularly following up with the entity to provide the required data to monitor its assigned rating to the bank facilities, vide E-mail communications dated Jan 30, 2025, Feb 3, 2025, Feb 12, 2025, Feb 25, 2025, Mar 3, 2025, and Mar 7, 2025, and concurrently over several phone calls. However, despite repeated requests by Infomerics, the entity'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 ratings based on the best available information.

**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 of assigning Rating Outlook](#)

[Policy on default recognition](#)

[Criteria on complexity](#)

**Liquidity** – Unable to comment due to lack of adequate information.

### **About the Company**

Siva Foods Impex Private Limited (SFIPL), promoted by Mr. Sivakumar, was initially set up as a partnership firm, Siva Traders in 2005. The firm was reconstituted as a private limited company with the current name in 2014. The company processes raw cashew nuts at its facility located at Udayarpalyam, Tamil Nadu. The cashew nuts are sold under the brand name 'Siva Cashews'.



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**Financials (Standalone):** Latest financials are not available

For the year ended/ As on*	(Rs. crore)	
	31-03-2022	31-03-2023
	<b>Audited</b>	<b>Audited</b>
Total Operating Income	107.93	131.40
EBITDA	4.85	4.56
PAT	0.53	0.72
Total Debt	57.60	44.15
Tangible Net Worth	15.25	15.97
Tangible Net Worth (incl. Quasi Equity)	15.25	30.78
EBITDA Margin (%)	4.49	3.47
PAT Margin (%)	0.49	0.54
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	3.78	3.69
Overall Gearing Ratio (x) (Adjusted)	3.78	1.43
Interest Coverage (x)	1.40	1.19

\* Classification as per Infomerics' standards.

### **Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA:**

CRISIL Ratings has maintained the rating of SFIPL under Issuer Not Co-operating category as the issuer had remained non cooperative despite consistent follow ups as per press release dated Mar 20, 2024.

Acuite Ratings & Research has maintained the rating of SFIPL under Issuer Not Co-operating category as the issuer/borrower failed to submit data, information and undertakings for conducting surveillance & review of the rating before the due date despite several requests as per press release dated Aug 8, 2024.

**Any other information:** Nil



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### Rating History for last three years:

Sr. No.	Name of Security/Facilities	Current Ratings (2024-25)			Rating History for the past 3 years				
		Type	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 in 2021-22
					Jan 11, 2024	Jun 2, 2023	Jan 25, 2023	Dec 6, 2022	Sep 14, 2021
1.	Term Loan & GECL	LT	9.62	IVR BB-/Negative (INC)	IVR BB+/Stable	IVR BB+/Stable	IVR BB+/Stable	IVR BB (INC)*	IVR BB+/Stable
2.	Cash Credit	LT	25.00	IVR BB-/Negative (INC)	IVR BB+/Stable	IVR BB+/Stable	IVR BB+/Stable	IVR BB (INC)*	IVR BB+/Stable
3.	Packing Credit	ST	6.00	IVR A4 (INC)	IVR A4+	IVR A4+	IVR A4+	IVR A4 (INC)*	IVR A4+
4.	FBP/FBN	ST	2.00	IVR A4 (INC)	IVR A4+	IVR A4+	IVR A4+	-	-

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### About Infomerics:

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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	-	-	-	2029	3.43	IVR BB-/ Negative (INC)
GECL	-	-	-	2027	6.19	IVR BB-/ Negative (INC)
Cash Credit	-	-	-	-	25.00	IVR BB-/ Negative (INC)
Packing Credit	-	-	-	-	6.00	IVR A4 (INC)
FBP/FBN	-	-	-	-	2.00	IVR A4 (INC)

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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 [www.infomerics.com](http://www.infomerics.com).