

### **Press Release**

#### **Agri Process Innovations & Technologies LLP**

**April 23, 2025** 

**Ratings** 

Instrument /	Amount	Current	Previous	Rating Action	Complexity
Facility	(Rs. crore)	Ratings*	Ratings		<u>Indicator</u>
Long Term Bank Facilities	4.05	IVR BB, Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING (IVR Double B 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	0.95	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
Total	5.00 (INR Five Crore only)				

<sup>\*</sup>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 rating assigned to the bank facilities of Agri Process Innovations & Technologies LLP (APITLLP) is because of non-cooperation by the entity and lack of adequate information regarding APITLLP'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.

#### 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 February

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12, 2025, February 25, 2025, March 3, 2025, March 10, 2025 and March 18, 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

**<u>Liquidity</u>** – Unable to comment due to lack of adequate information.

#### **About the Firm**

Incorporated in 2016, Agri Process Innovations & Technologies (APIT) is a solutions provider to various paddy processing units. The firm provides fully automated machines and software solutions to these units across the country and mainly to Nigeria outside India. Besides, the firm also provides customized solutions to these units. 5 Mr. Sridhar Nagalapur and Mr. Shashi Kumar Thimmaiah and Metalex Multitrdae Private limited are the three designated partners of the firm as per the partnership deed dated January 11, 2023 with profit sharing percentage of 25%, 25% and 50% respectively.



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Financials (Standalone): Latest financials are not available

(Rs. crore)

For the year ended/ As on*	31-03-2022	31-03-2023	
	Audited	Audited	
Total Operating Income	89.85	120.73	
EBITDA	0.18	2.37	
PAT	0.70	1.49	
Total Debt	6.36	16.08	
Tangible Net Worth	0.00	7.83	
EBITDA Margin (%)	0.20	1.96	
PAT Margin (%)	0.77	1.23	
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	Not meaningful	2.05	
Interest Coverage (x)	0.22	1.84	
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<sup>\*</sup> Classification as per Infomerics' standards

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Nil

Any other information: Nil

Rating History for last three years:

		Current Ratings (2025-26)			Rating History for the past 3 years			
Sr. No.	Name of Security/Fa cilities	Туре	Amount outstanding (Rs. Crore)	Rating*	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2024-25	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2023-24	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in in 2022-23	
					-	Feb 27, 2024	-	
1.	Cash Credit	LT	4.00	IVR BB/ Negative (INC)	-	IVR BB+/ Stable	-	
2.	Letter of Credit	LT	0.90	IVR BB/ Negative (INC)	-	IVR BB+/ Stable	-	
3.	Forward Contract Derivatives	ST	0.05	IVR A4 (INC)	1	IVR A4+	-	
	Proposed Fund Based limit	LT	0.05	IVR BB/ Negative (INC)	-	IVR BB+/ Stable	-	

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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
Cash Credit	-	-	•	-	4.00	IVR BB; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Letter of Credit	-	-	1	-	0.90	IVR BB; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Forward Contract Derivatives	-	-	1	-	0.05	IVR A4; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Proposed Fund Based limit	-	-		-	0.05	IVR BB; Negative; 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 <a href="https://www.infomerics.com">www.infomerics.com</a>.