### **Press Release**

### Simplex Infrastructures Ltd

May 21, 2021

Ratings			
Instrument / Facility	Amount (Rs. Crore)	Ratings	Rating Action
Long Term Fund Based Facility	2600.00	IVR D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR Single D; Issuer Not Cooperating)	Reaffirmed and moved to Issuer not co-operating
Short Term Fund Based Facilities	75.00	IVR D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR Single D; Issuer Not Cooperating)	Reaffirmed and moved to Issuer not co-operating
Total	2675.00		

\*Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information

#### Details of Facility are in Annexure 1

#### **Detailed Rationale**

Infomerics has moved the ratings for the bank facilities of Simplex Infrastructures Limited to 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category. The rating is based on limited cooperation from the company and the rating reaffirmation considers the continued delays in servicing debt obligations owing to the poor liquidity position.

#### Non-cooperation by Issuer

Infomerics has been sending repeated reminders to the company for payment of surveillance fee that became due. However, despite repeated requests by Infomerics, the company's management has remained non-cooperative. In the absence of the requisite cooperation, in consonance with SEBI guidelines, the company's rating has been moved to the Issuer Not Cooperating category. Accordingly, the long- term and short-term rating for the bank loan facilities of Simplex Infrastructures Limited aggregating to Rs. 2675 crore has been moved to the 'ISSUER NOT COOPERATING' category by Infomerics and the rating be noted as "IVR D: Issuer Not Co-operating; Based on best available information. (IVR D: Issuer Not Co-operating; Based on best available information)".

1



## **Press Release**

#### Analytical Approach & Applicable Criteria:

Standalone

Guidelines on what constitutes Non-Cooperation by clients

Rating Methodology for Infrastructures Companies

Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-Financial Sector)

#### About the Company

Simplex Infrastructures Ltd. was established by Mr. H. P. Lancaster, an Englishman, in 1924. It was he who invented the piling system which became synonymous with the name of the company and became known as the 'Simplex' system of piling. Simplex was subsequently taken over by the Mundhra family of Kolkata, the current promoters, in 1947. The current promoters are solely focused on this business for almost seven decades. Simplex is one of the largest players in the domestic construction sector providing services encompassing the whole gamut of civil and structural construction activities including turnkey projects comprising layout plan, detailed civil and engineering design, architecture, structural construction and complete execution and commissioning.

Financials (Standalone)		(Rs. Crore)	
For the year ended* / As On	31-03-2019	31-03-2020	
	Audited	Audited	
Total Operating Income	6028.34	3904.48	
EBITDA	710.33	108.73	
PAT	122.56	-317.47	
Total Debt	3452.79	3803.06	
Tangible Net Worth	2007.69	1664.54	
EBITDA Margin %	11.78	2.78	
PAT Margin %	2.00	-8.00	
Overall Geating (x)	1.72	2.28	

\*Based on Infomerics classification

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

#### Any other information: Nil

Rating History for last three years:

		Sr.	Name of	Current Rating (Year 2021-22)	Rating History for the past 3 years
--	--	-----	---------	-------------------------------	-------------------------------------

2

www.infomerics.com



### **Press Release**

No	Instrument/Facil ities	Туре	Amount outstandi ng (Rs. Crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2020-21	Date(s) & assigned i	Rating(s) n 2019-20	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2018-19
1.	Long Term Bank Facilities	Long Term	2600.00	IVR D; ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING*	-	IVR D (Feb 22, 2020)	IVR C (Dec 16, 2019)	IVR A/Stable (Dec 12, 2018)
2.	Short Term Fund Based Facilities	Short Term	75.00	IVR D; ISSUER NOT COOPERA TING*	-	IVR D (Feb 22, 2020)	IVR A4 (Dec 16, 2019)	IVR A1 (Oct 22, 2018)

\* Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information

**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>. **Name and Contact Details of the Rating Analyst:** 

Name: Mr. Ashish Agarwal	Name: Mr. Avik Podder
Tel: (033) 46022266	Tel: (033) 46022266
Email: aagarwal@infomerics.com	Email: apodder@infomerics.com

#### **About Infomerics:**

Infomerics commenced rating & grading operations in April 2015 after having spent over 25 years in various segments of financial services. Infomerics is registered with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) and accredited by Reserve Bank of India. Firm's long experience in varied spectrum of financial services is helping it to fine tune its product offerings to best suit the market.

**Disclaimer:** Infomerics ratings are based on information provided by the issuer on an 'as is where is' basis. Infomerics credit ratings are an opinion on the credit risk of the issue / issuer and not a recommendation to buy, hold or sell securities. Infomerics reserves the right to change, suspend or withdraw the credit ratings at any point in time. Infomerics ratings are opinions on financial statements based on information provided by the management and information obtained from sources believed by it to be accurate and reliable. The credit quality ratings are not recommendations to sanction, renew, disburse or recall the concerned bank facilities or to buy, sell or hold any security. We, however, do not guarantee the accuracy, adequacy or completeness of any information which we accepted and presumed to be free from misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. We are not responsible for any errors or omissions or for the results obtained from the use of such information. Most entities whose bank facilities/instruments are rated by us have paid a credit rating fee, based on the amount and type of bank facilities/instruments. In case of partnership/proprietary concerns/Association of Persons (AOPs), the rating assigned by Infomerics is based on the capital deployed by the partners/proprietor/ AOPs and the



### **Press Release**

financial strength of the firm at present. The rating may undergo change in case of withdrawal of capital or the unsecured loans brought in by the partners/proprietor/ AOPs in addition to the financial performance and other relevant factors.

#### Annexure 1: Details of Facility

Name of Facility	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook	
Long Term Bank	-	-	-	2600.00	IVR D; Issuer	
Facilities					Not	
					Cooperating*	
Short Term Fund	-	-	-	75.00	IVR D; Issuer	
Based Facilities					Not	
					Cooperating*	

\* Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information



4