RATING RATIONALE **08 Apr 2021**

M/s Apex International

Brickwork Ratings downgrades the ratings for the Bank Loan Facilities of ₹ 7.05 Crores M/s Apex International based on best available information, as the Issuer did not cooperate.

Particulars

Facility	Amount (₹ Cr)		Tenure	Rating#	
	Previous	Present		Previous (Mar, 2020)	Present*
Fund Based Cash Credit Term Loan	 4.50 2.55	 4.50 2.55	**Long Term**	BWR B (Stable) Downgraded Issuer not Cooperating*	**BWR B- (Stable)** Downgraded **Issuer not Cooperating***
Total	**7.05**	**7.05**	**INR Seven Crores and Five Thousand only**		

Please refer to BWR website www.brickworkratings.com/ for definition of the ratings
* Issuer did not cooperate, based on best available information.
Details of Bank facilities is provided in Annexure-I

RATING ACTION / OUTLOOK / NATURE OF NON COOPERATION

Downgraded the long term rating to BWR B- (Stable) Issuer not Cooperating based on the best available information as the issuer did not cooperate.
BWR had initially rated Bank Loan facilities and assigned BWR BB- (Stable) dated 23rd Nov 2018. The annual review of the rating was due. Further, Due to the non-availability of information to conduct annual review, Rating Not Reviewed Advisory was issued on 25th Nov, 2019. The rating then downgraded to BWR B (Stable) Issuer Not cooperating on 9th Mar, 2020. BWR took up with the issuer to provide required information over emails and telephone calls. Despite the best efforts of BWR to get at least the minimum required information for a review, the concern has not provided the same. The concern had not provided the NDS since the initial rating. However, In the absence of adequate financial information from the company, BWR is unable to assess the entity's financial performance and its ability to service its debt and maintain a valid rating. Hence on account of inadequate information and lack of management cooperation, the rating is transferred to the **"Issuer Not Cooperating" category by downgrading the rating of Bank Loan Facilities to BWR B- (Stable).**

LIMITATIONS OF THE RATING

Information availability risk is the key factor in the assessment of credit risk as generally, non-cooperation by the rated entities to provide required information for a review of the assigned rating may also be accompanied by financial stress. Users of the credit ratings should therefore take into account the possible deterioration in the credit quality of the rated entity arising from its non-transparency and withholding of information required for a review of the rating.

KEY FINANCIAL INDICATORS (in (₹ Cr) [AS AVAILABLE WITH BWR]

Key Parameters	**Units**	**FY 18**	**FY 17**
Result Type		**Audited**	**Audited**
Operating Revenue	Cr	28.56	17.81
EBITDA	Cr	3.31	2.52
PAT	Cr	1.74	1.16
Tangible Net Worth	Cr	4.11	2.81
Total Debt/TNW	times	2.78	3.50

COMPANY PROFILE

Apex International is a synthetic monofilament manufacturer, promoted by Mr. Gaurav Jain and Mrs. Rashi Jain. They commenced their business operations in 2009 with their manufacturing facility located at Mahuakhera Ganj, Kashipur. The firm manufactures a variety of synthetic monofilament bristles made out of PET, PBT, Nylon 6, Nylon 66, Nylon 612, and PP with the state-of-the-art technology.

NON-COOPERATION WITH PREVIOUS RATING AGENCY IF ANY: NA

RATING HISTORY

Instrument / Facilities	**Current Rating (2021)**			**Rating History**		
Facility	Tenure (Long Term/ Short Term)	Amount (₹ Cr)	Rating	09/03/2020	2019	2018
Fund Based Cash Credit Term Loan	**Long Term**	4.50 2.55	**BWR B- (Stable) Downgraded Issuer not cooperating**	**BWR B (Stable) Downgraded Issuer not cooperating**	-	**BWR BB- (Stable)**
Total		**7.05**	**INR Seven Crores and five Thousand Only**			

COMPLEXITY LEVELS OF THE INSTRUMENTS

For more information, visit www.brickworkratings.com/download/ComplexityLevels.pdf

Hyperlink/Reference to applicable Criteria

- General Criteria
- Approach to Financial Ratios
- What Constitutes Non-Cooperation

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ANNEXURE I
M/s Apex International
Details of Bank Facilities rated by BWR

Type of Facilities	Long Term [₹ Cr]	Short Term [₹ Cr]	Total [₹ Cr]
Fund Based Cash Credit Term Loan	7.05	-	**7.05**
TOTAL			**7.05**

INR Seven Crores and Five Thousand Only

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