

RATING RATIONALE

Aprica Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd.

16 Oct 2019

Brickwork Ratings revises and downgrades the ratings for the Bank Loan Facilities of ₹ 20.40 Crores of Aprica Pharmaceuticals Pvt.Ltd. Based on best available information, as the issuer did not cooperate.

Particulars

Facility	Amount (₹ Cr)		Tenure	Rating		
	Previous	Present		Previous (Dec 2015)	Previous (April 2017)	Present
Fund based	20.00	20.00	Long Term	BWR BB Stable	Rating Not Reviewed	BWR BB-Stable Issuer Not Cooperating* (Downgraded)
Non Fund Based	0.40	0.40	Short Term	BWR A4	Rating Not Reviewed	BWR A4 Issuer Not Cooperating * (Reaffirmed)
Total	20.40	20.40		INR Twenty Crores and Forty Lakhs 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

The long term rating of the Bank Loan Facilities of the company has been revised and downgraded to BWR BB-(Stable) from BWR BB and the short term rating has been reaffirmed to BWR A4 on account of non-receipt of any papers/information for ascertaining the financial risk profile/performance of the company. We have therefore moved the rating under “Issuer Not Cooperating” category.

Given the steps taken by Indian Government to reduce costs and bring down healthcare expenses and thrust on rural healthcare programmes,lifesaving drugs and preventive vaccines which are expected to be the key drivers for strong growth in the pharmaceutical industry we are assigning



the outlook as Stable.

The rating was due for a surveillance. BWR took up with the issuer to provide required information over emails dated 19th June, 26th July, 12th Aug, 3rd Sep and 4th October 2019 and through telephone calls. Despite the best efforts of BWR to get at least the minimum required information for a review, the entity has not provided the same. In the absence of adequate information from the issuer/Company, BWR is unable to assess the issuer's/Company'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, Brickworks Ratings has reaffirmed the rating of bank loan facilities as **BWR BB-(Stable)/A4 Issuer Not Cooperating**.

LIMITATIONS OF THE RATING .

Information availability risk is a key factor in the assessment of credit risk as generally, noncooperation 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 rating should therefore take into account the possible deterioration in the credit quality of the rated entity arising from its non- transparency and withholdings of the information required for a review of the rating.

COMPANY PROFILE (Information as on Dec 2015)

The Aprica Pharmaceuticals Pvt Ltd was incorporated on 16th August 2011 as a private limited company and commercial operations was started on October 2012. The company's registered office is located in Ahmedabad. It is an ISO 9001:2008 certified company. The company is engaged in sales and marketing of medicines for cardiac and diabetic ailments under its own brand names. The medicines manufactured as per APPL specification by the leading contract manufacturers such as, Morepen Laboratories Ltd, Gland Pharma Ltd, Mascot Health Series Pvt Ltd and United Biotech India Pvt. Ltd. The company has 3 offices in Ahmedabad and 7 warehouses located in industrial area, Ahmedabad.

NON-COOPERATION WITH PREVIOUS RATING AGENCY IF ANY :NIL

RATING HISTORY

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Total		20.40	INR Twenty Crores and Forty Lakhs only		

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Hyperlink/Reference to applicable Criteria

- [General Criteria](#)
- [Approach to Financial Ratios](#)
- [What Constitutes Non-Cooperation](#)

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ANNEXURE I

Aprica Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd. Details of Bank Facilities rated by BWR

Sr.No.	Name of the Bank	Type of Facilities	Tenure	Total [₹ Cr]
1	State Bank Of India	Cash Credit	Fund Based-Long Term	20.00
		EPC/PCFC/FBD/E BR/EBD	Non Fund Based-Short Term	(5.00)
		Credit Exposure Limit	Non Fund Based-Short Term	0.40
TOTAL				20.40

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