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## **C.A.B.** Construction Private Limited

## **Ratings**

Facilities/Instrument	Amount (Rs. in Million)	Ratings <sup>1</sup>	Rating Action
Long Term Bank Facilities	404.36	CARE-NP D: ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* [Single D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*]	Revised from BB+ "Issuer not cooperating; Based on best available information" (Notice of Withdrawal)
Short Term Bank Facilities	656.00	CARE-NP D: ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* [Single D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*]	Revised from A4+ "Issuer not cooperating; Based on best available information" (Notice of Withdrawal)
Long Term/Short Term Bank Facilities	5,439.64	CARE-NP D: ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* [Single D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*]	Revised from BB+/A4+ "Issuer not cooperating; Based on best available information" (Notice of Withdrawal)
Total Facilities	6,500.00		

CARE Ratings Nepal Limited (CRNL) has been seeking information from C.A.B. Construction Private Limited (CAB) to monitor the ratings vide e-mail communications/ letters dated March 10, 2022, May 03, 2022, May 25, 2022 and June 24, 2022 etc along with numerous phone calls. However, despite our repeated requests, the company has not provided the requisite information for monitoring the ratings. In line with the extant Securities Board of Nepal (SEBON) guidelines, CRNL has reviewed the rating on the basis of the best available information which however, in CRNL's opinion is not sufficient to arrive at a fair rating. CRNL will monitor/watch the rating once for a minimum period of 6 months and notify the Securities Board of Nepal (SEBON) and public with regards to the withdrawal of rating. If after the monitoring of the rating there is no cooperation from the Client, CRNL may withdraw the rating.

The bank loan rating of C.A.B. Construction Private Limited will now be denoted as **CARE-NP D: ISSUER NOT COOPERATING\***, (Notice of withdrawal).

Users of this rating (including investors, lenders and the public at large) are hence requested to exercise caution while using the above rating.

# Detailed description of the key rating drivers

# Delays in servicing of debt obligations

There have been instances of delays in servicing of debt obligations by CAB. The company's liquidity was stretched on account of delays in realization of debtors, which is reflected by the near full utilization of fund based working capital bank facilities. There has been mismatches between receipts (realization) vis a vis the debt repayment obligations which resulted in delays in debt servicing.

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$ Complete definitions of the ratings assigned are available at <u>www.careratingsnepal.com</u> and in other CRNL publications.

<sup>\*</sup>Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information

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#### **About the Company**

C.A.B. Construction Private Limited is Class "A" construction company of Nepal which was incorporated in the year 1981 and later on, converted into private limited company in September 22, 1994. The company has its registered office in Lalitpur, Nepal. The company is mainly involved in construction of roads, bridges, buildings, irrigation, canal structures, transmission line, water supply and sanitation work etc. across Nepal. In addition to doing projects independently, CAB also enters into JV with other companies in order to meet the eligibility criteria for different construction projects.

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