

March 29, 2025

Kitex Childrenswear Limited: Ratings Withdrawn

Summary of rating action

Instrument*	Previous rated amount (Rs. crore)	Current rated amount (Rs. crore)	Rating action
Short-term – Fund-based	90.00	90.00	[ICRA]A2+; Withdrawn
Short-term – Non-fund based	12.00	12.00	[ICRA]A2+; Withdrawn
Short-term – Unallocated	15.00	15.00	[ICRA]A2+; Withdrawn
Total	117.00	117.00	

*Instrument details are provided in Annexure I

Rationale

ICRA has withdrawn the rating assigned to the bank facilities of Kitex Childrenswear Limited (KCL) at the request of the company & based on the no objection certificate received from its lender and in accordance with ICRA's policy on withdrawal of credit ratings. ICRA does not have information to suggest that the credit risk has changed since the time the rating was last reviewed.

The key rating drivers, liquidity position, rating sensitivities and key financial indicators have not been captured as the rated instruments are being withdrawn. The previous detailed rating rationale is available at the following link: [Click here](#)

Analytical approach

Analytical approach	Comments
Applicable rating methodologies	Corporate Credit Rating Methodology Textiles – Apparels Policy on withdrawal of Credit Ratings
Parent/Group support	Not applicable
Consolidation/Standalone	For arriving at the ratings, ICRA has consolidated the business and financial risk profiles of KGL and KCL (collectively referred to as the Kitex Group), owing to the common management and strong linkages among them.

About the company

KCL was incorporated in 1991 and is managed by Mr. Sabu Jacob. KCL, along with its Group company, Kitex Garments Ltd (KGL), manufactures and exports infantwear to apparel retailers in the US and other developed markets. The Group has an integrated manufacturing facility at Kizhakkambalam (Kerala) with production capacity of around 8.62 lakh pieces per day. The Kitex Group established a marketing and design unit in the US in FY2015 (equally held by KGL and KCL) to diversify its business profile and reduce dependence on its key customers. The Group is in the process of setting up two new large, integrated manufacturing units at Warangal and Sitarampur in Telangana across two phases, which are expected to commercialise by March 2025 and March 2027, respectively.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

Instrument	Current rating (FY2025)					Chronology of rating history for the past 3 years					
	Type	Amount rated (Rs. crore)	Date & rating in FY2025			Date & rating in FY2024	Date & rating in FY2023		Date & rating in FY2022		
			Mar 29, 2025	Jan 7, 2025	Jul 5, 2024	Jun 30, 2023	Mar 31, 2023	Dec 13, 2022	Mar 04, 2022	Oct 01, 2021	Jul 20, 2021
1 Fund-based Limits – Working Capital Facilities	Short Term	90.00	[ICRA]A2+; Withdrawn	[ICRA]A2+	[ICRA]A2+	[ICRA]A1	[ICRA]A1	[ICRA]A1	[ICRA]A1	[ICRA]A1+@	[ICRA]A1+
2 Non-Fund based Limits – Working Capital Facilities	Short Term	12.00	[ICRA]A2+; Withdrawn	[ICRA]A2+	[ICRA]A2+	[ICRA]A1	[ICRA]A1	[ICRA]A1	[ICRA]A1	[ICRA]A1+@	[ICRA]A1+
3 Unallocated	Short Term	15.00	[ICRA]A2+; Withdrawn	[ICRA]A2+	[ICRA]A2+	-	-	[ICRA]A1	[ICRA]A1	-	-

@: Rating Watch with Negative implications

Complexity level of the rated instruments

Instrument	Complexity indicator
Fund-based - working capital facilities	Very Simple
Non-fund based working capital facilities	Very Simple
Unallocated limits	Not Applicable

The Complexity Indicator refers to the ease with which the returns associated with the rated instrument could be estimated. It does not indicate the risk related to the timely payments on the instrument, which is rather indicated by the instrument's credit rating. It also does not indicate the complexity associated with analysing an entity's financial, business, industry risks or complexity related to the structural, transactional or legal aspects. Details on the complexity levels of the instruments are available on ICRA's website: [Click here](#)

Annexure I: Instrument details

ISIN	Instrument Name	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity	Amount Rated (Rs. crore)	Current Rating and Outlook
NA	Fund-based Limits – Working Capital Facilities	NA	NA	NA	90.00	[ICRA]A2+; Withdrawn
NA	Non-Fund based Limits – Working Capital Facilities	NA	NA	NA	12.00	[ICRA]A2+; Withdrawn
NA	Unallocated	NA	NA	NA	15.00	[ICRA]A2+; Withdrawn

Source: Company

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Annexure II: List of entities considered for consolidated analysis

Company Name	Ownership	Consolidation Approach
Kitex Herbals Limited	100%	Full Consolidation
Kitex Infantwear Limited	100%	Full Consolidation
Kitex Apparels Limited	100%	Full Consolidation
Kitex USA LLC (note 1)	50%	Equity method
Kitex Apparel Parks Limited	30%	Full Consolidation
Kitex Littlewear Limited (note 2)	-	Full Consolidation
Kitex Babywear Limited (note 2)	-	Full Consolidation
Kitex Socks Limited (note 2)	-	Full Consolidation
Kitex Packs Limited (note 2)	-	Full Consolidation
Kitex Knits Limited (note 2)	-	Full Consolidation
Kitex Kidswear Limited (note 2)	-	Full Consolidation

Source: Company

Note 1 - Kitex USA LLC is a 50:50 joint venture between KGL and KCL

Note 2 – These entities are subsidiaries of KCL

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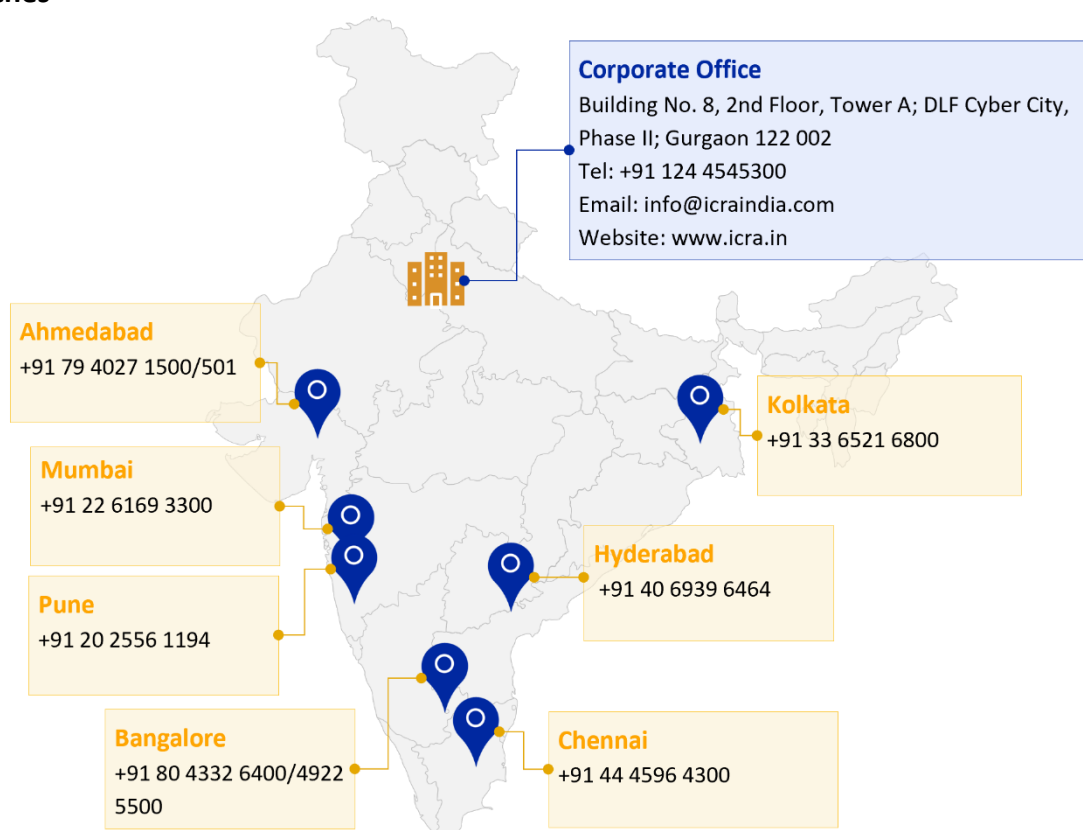
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