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Subject: Intimation of Revision of credit ratings by Crisil Ratings

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pursuant to the Regulation 30 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, we wish to inform you that Crisil Ratings vide its Rating Rationale dated November 25, 2025, has revised the credit rating on Company's Long Term Bank Facilities and Short Term Bank Facilities as under:

Rating/Facilities	Revised Rating	Rating Action
Long Term Rating	Crisil A-/ Negative	Downgraded from 'Crisil A/Negative'
Short Term Rating	Crisil A2+	Downgraded from 'Crisil A1'
Total Bank Loan Facilities	Rs. 440 crores	
Rated		

A copy of Crisil Rating Rationale dated November 25, 2025 is enclosed.

This is for your information and records.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For Everest Industries Limited

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Rating Rationale

November 25, 2025 | Mumbai

Everest Industries Limited

Ratings downgraded to 'Crisil A- / Negative / Crisil A2+ '

Rating Action

Total Bank Loan Facilities Rated	Rs.440 Crore	
Long Term Rating	Crisil A-/Negative (Downgraded from 'Crisil A/Negative')	
Short Term Rating	Crisil A2+ (Downgraded from 'Crisil A1')	

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1 crore = 10 million Refer to Annexure for Details of Instruments & Bank Facilities

Detailed Rationale

Crisil Ratings has downgraded its ratings on the bank facilities of Everest Industries Limited (EIL) to 'Crisil A-/Negative/Crisil A2+' from 'Crisil A/Negative/Crisil A1'.

The rating downgrade reflects the longer than expected recovery in the business risk profile marked by lower-than-expected profitability in first half, in the current fiscal.As against Crisil's earlier expectations of 5-6% EBITDA margin for the entire current fiscal, the company reported a low 0.9% margins in the first half, this fiscal, that will impact the entire fiscal's profitability. The lower margin is on account of lower processing efficiency leading to higher defects in roofing business, slower-than-expected ramp up in Boards and Panel (B&P) segment and execution of low margin Pre-Engineered Building (PEB) contracts.

The revenue growth is expected to remain flat at last fiscal levels. Cash Accruals from business will be impacted on account of lower profitability. Over the medium term, 300-400 bps improvement in margin is expected with significant changes in management structure and quick resolution steps taken by the company encompassing quality, customer focus, pricing revisions, cost cutting, productivity and volume areas.

Further, the company has added new suppliers for asbestos which has reduced its dependence on Russian suppliers and de-risked the supply chain. Adoption of six sigma practices to reduce the defect rate and improve quality in roofing segment along with measures implemented to increase the market share in this segment. It is also focused on increasing its footprint in the Boards and Panels segment, which is relatively higher margin fetching business. Healthy double digit revenue growth and improvement in profitability will remain key monitorable going forward.

Financial risk profile is marked by a healthy networth of above ~Rs 570 crore and a low gearing of 0.7 times. The debtprotection metrics such as interest coverage is expected to remain comfortable at ~5 times in fiscal 2026 (2.1 times in fiscal 2025 and 5.7 times in fiscal 2024) as even though the operating profitability remains subdued, the company is expected to receive Rs.134 crores from a land sale in fiscal 2026 which would positively impact the coverage. Net cash accruals in fiscal 2026 should be adequate to meet capital expenditure, working capital requirements partially and a small Rs.3-5 crore long term debt repayment.

Capex of Rs 169 crore in the B&P plant (of the total Rs 187 crore) was incurred till fiscal 2025. For the same, debt of Rs 95 crore has been availed in fiscal 2025. Going forward, improvement in profitability and net accruals will be a key monitorable as repayments of existing loans will start (Rs.3-5 crore in fiscal 2027 and Rs.12-15 crore in fiscal 2028). Further, the company has capex plans of ~Rs. 160-170 crore (including Rs. 138 crores for new B&P plant at Assam and ~Rs. 25 crores for the recently commenced B&P plant at Karnataka) for which no external financing will be taken.

The ratings continue to reflect EIL's established position in the domestic Asbestos Cement (AC) roofing and boards & panel market and increasing diversity in revenue mix. These strengths are partially offset by exposure to intense competition in the AC roofing and PEB businesses in India, and volatility in operating margin. Besides, the AC roofing business is subject to regulatory risks pertaining to the manufacture/use of asbestos in India, and key asbestos-producing nations (as the raw material is fully imported) and the same remains a monitorable.

Analytical Approach

For arriving at the ratings, Crisil Ratings has combined the business and financial risk profiles of EIL and its wholly owned subsidiaries.

Please refer Annexure - List of Entities Consolidated, which captures the list of entities considered and their analytical treatment of consolidation.

Key Rating Drivers - Strengths

Established position in the domestic AC roofing segment: Backed by track record of 90 years and a wide pan-India reach, EIL is one of India's largest manufacturers of AC roofing sheets. It has a well-established brand in the rural market, supported by a strong distribution network of about 11,000 retail outlets and over 32 sales depots. Strategic location of plants across the country help enhance overall market reach and enable the group to compete effectively with regional players. This is reflected in its increased market share over the past two years.

Increase diversification in revenue mix: Everest Industries Limited started primarily as an asbestos roofing player. However, to pursue growth, they had diversified into PEB segment whose share is currently at ~25-30% of overall revenues compared to 19-20% 5 years back. Further, the company has also been ramping up its presence in the Board and Panels segment (part of BP division) which is expected to have a better margin profile as the clientele is primarily urban in nature. EIL has increased its capacity in the B&P segment by 91,000 MT in fiscal 2024. Furthermore, a capex of Rs.138 crore to set up B&P plant in Assam to increase their footprint in Eastern markets is also announced by the company.

Key Rating Drivers - Weaknesses

Dependence on rural spending, and exposure to intense competition from peers and substitute products: Demand for AC roofing is derived from household construction in rural areas and investment in industrial construction. This exposes the Everest group to fluctuations in rural purchasing power and change in economic cycles. The group also faces intense competition not only from other strong AC roofing players but also from manufacturers of galvanised iron (GI) roofing sheets that are seen as a viable alternative. Any sharp decline in price of GI sheets will impact demand for AC sheets.

Prices of key raw materials for AC roofing and PEBs - asbestos and steel, respectively - form ~50-60% of the total input cost; hence, the operating margin remains vulnerable to any sharp price volatility or currency fluctuations as seen in the recent past. However, the company has started sourcing asbestos from suppliers in Brazil and Kazakhstan apart from the older supplier in Russia which will help the company in keeping the raw material prices in check. Overall, the ability of the company to pass on increase raw material costs to end customers remains low in BP segment. Some contracts in SB business have price escalation clauses, however a large number are fixed priced in nature impacting profitability in case of sudden spikes in raw material prices.

Exposure to regulatory ban on manufacture or use of asbestos in end-user markets and key asbestos-producing nations: As sale of all roofing products account for more than 50% of revenue, the company remains vulnerable to risk of a ban on mining of asbestos in Russia, Brazil, and Kazakhstan (the largest exporters of the mineral) and use of the same in end-user market. Canada which was among the world's largest producers, have already banned mining and sale of asbestos in 2018. This led to a spike in asbestos prices. In India too, only white asbestos (known as chrysotile) fibre is used, as blue and brown asbestos have been banned. Furthermore, all forms of asbestos mining are banned in the country. Regulatory changes concerning asbestos mining and usage will remain a key monitorable.

Liquidity Adequate

Liquidity remains comfortable with a sufficient cushion in bank limits and availability of sufficient drawing power. Fund-based limit of Rs.166 crores, remained utilized at an average of 46% over the past 6 months ending Sept 2025. Further, the company has also sold 23-acre unused land for a sum of Rs.134 crores which would provide additional liquidity cushion. Unencumbered cash balance stood at ~Rs.8 crore as on Sept 30, 2025.

Crisil Ratings believes a slower than expected recovery in operating performance might impact on the business risk profile of the company and will also negatively impact on the financial risk profile.

Rating sensitivity factors

Upward factors Healthy revenue growth and operating profitability improving to over 5% on a sustained basis

Sustaining comfortable capital structure along with healthy liquidity

Downward factors:

- Weakening of business performance with operating margin sustaining below 4%, resulting in lower-than-expected cash
- Significant increase in debt due to higher-than-expected capex or sizeable stretch in the WC cycle, leading to rise in gearing or weakening of debt protection metrics like interest coverage

Incorporated in 1934, EIL is one of India's largest manufacturers of AC roofing. The company has also diversified into nonasbestos building products (roofing sheets, flooring, cladding, and other boards); and design, manufacture, and erection of PEBs. It has eight plants across India.

Income from AC roofing and non-asbestos building products currently accounts for around 67% of total revenue, while the PEB segment accounts for the balance. The company has an installed production capacity of 10,76,000 tonne per annum (tpa) for conventional building products (including AC roofing) and 54,000 tpa for PEBs.

For the first half of fiscal 2026, revenue was Rs 800 crore and PAT loss of Rs 16 crore, against Rs 899 crore and net profit of Rs 4 crore, respectively, for the corresponding period of the previous fiscal.

<u>Key Financial Indicators (Consolidated)</u>			
As on March 31,	Unit	2025	2024
Revenue from operations	Rs. Cr	1,723	1,575
PAT	Rs. Cr	-4	18
PAT margin	%	-0.2	1.1

Adjusted debt/adjusted networth	Times	0.44	0.08
Interest Coverage	Times	2.1	5.65

Any other information: Not applicable

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument:
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Annexure - Details of Instrument(s)

ISIN	Name Of Instrument	Date Of Allotment	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Issue Size (Rs. Crore)	Complexity Levels	Rating Outstanding with Outlook
NA	Cash Credit	NA	NA	NA	145.00	NA	Crisil A-/Negative
NA	Letter of Credit ^{&}	NA	NA	NA	240.00	NA	Crisil A2+
NA	Letter of Credit ^{\$}	NA	NA	NA	55.00	NA	Crisil A2+

Annexure - List of entities consolidated

Names of Entities Consolidated	Extent Consolidation	of Rationale for Consolidation
Everest Industries Limited	Full	Parent
Everest Building Products (Mauritius)	Full	Subsidiary
Everest Buildpro Private Limited	Full	Subsidiary
Everest Steel Building Private Limited	Full	Subsidiary

Anneyure - Rating History for last 3 Years

	Current		2025 (History)		2024		2023		2022		Start of 2022	
Instrument	Туре	Outstanding Amount	Rating	Date	Rating	Date	Rating	Date	Rating	Date	Rating	Rating
Fund Based Facilities	LT	145.0	Crisil A-/Negative	19-03-25	Crisil A/Negative	24-09-24	Crisil A+/Stable	04-04-23	Crisil A+/Stable	28-02-22	Crisil A+/Stable	Crisil A+/Stable
						12-03-24	Crisil A+/Stable					
Non-Fund Based Facilities	ST	295.0	Crisil A2+	19-03-25	Crisil A1	24-09-24	Crisil A1	04-04-23	Crisil A1	28-02-22	Crisil A1	Crisil A1
						12-03-24	Crisil A1					
Commercial Paper	ST									28-02-22	Withdrawn	Crisil A1

All amounts are in Rs.Cr.

Annexure - Details of Bank Lenders & Facilities

Facility	Amount (Rs.Crore)	Name of Lender	Rating
Cash Credit	30	Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited	Crisil A-/Negative
Cash Credit	30	HDFC Bank Limited	Crisil A-/Negative
Cash Credit	50	State Bank of India	Crisil A-/Negative
Cash Credit	15	Axis Bank Limited	Crisil A-/Negative
Cash Credit	20	ICICI Bank Limited	Crisil A-/Negative
Letter of Credit ^{&}	65	HDFC Bank Limited	Crisil A2+
Letter of Credit ^{&}	55	Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited	Crisil A2+
Letter of Credit ^{\$}	55	HDFC Bank Limited	Crisil A2+
Letter of Credit ^{&}	115	ICICI Bank Limited	Crisil A2+
Letter of Credit ^{&}	5	Axis Bank Limited	Crisil A2+

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Links to related criteria	
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