## BEFORE THE SECURITIES APPELLATE TRIBUNAL MUMBAI

**Date of Decision : 07.12.2017** 

## **Appeal No. 520 of 2015**

- Adel Landmarks Limited B-39, Ground Floor, Friends Colony (West), New Delhi – 110065.
- 2. Mr. Rakesh Kumar Gupta J-272, Sarita Vihar, New Delhi 110076.
- 3. Mr. Sumit Bharana House No. C-146, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Sarvodaya Enclave, New Delhi – 110017.
- 4. Mr. Arvind Kumar Birla House No. 254, AGCR Enclave, Delhi.
- 5. Ms. Rashmi Bharana House No. 146, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Sarvodaya Enclave, New Delhi – 110017.
- 6. Mr. Sanjay Chawla 1303, Amber Court-I, Essel Tower, M.G. Road, Gurgaon, Haryana – 122001.
- 7. Ms. Manisha Bharana House No. C-146, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Sarvodaya Enclave, New Delhi – 110017.

.....Appellants

## Versus

Securities and Exchange Board of India SEBI Bhavan, Plot No. C-4A, G-Block, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai – 400 051.

.....Respondent

Mr. Rajesh Ranjan, Advocate with Mr. Neeraj Matta, Advocate i/b Corporate Law Partners for Appellants.

Mr. Mustafa Doctor, Senior Advocate with Mr. Pulkit Sukhramani and Ms. Vidhi Jhawar, Advocates i/b The Law Point for the Respondent.

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CORAM: Justice J.P. Devadhar, Presiding Officer

Dr. C.K.G. Nair, Member

Per: Justice J.P. Devadhar (Oral)

1. The affidavit (dated 06.12.2017) tendered in the Court on behalf of

appellants is taken on record and the appeal is heard on the footing that the

contents of the said affidavit are denied by Securities and Exchange Board

of India ('SEBI' for short).

2. This appeal is filed to challenge the order passed by the Whole Time

Member ('WTM' for short) of SEBI on October 7, 2015. By the said order,

the appellants are, inter alia, directed to abstain from collecting any money

from the investors under the schemes which are identified by SEBI as

Collective Investment Schemes ('CIS') and restrained from accessing the

securities market for the period as more particularly set out therein.

Moreover, the appellants are also directed to wind up the schemes identified

as CIS and refund the monies collected under those schemes.

3. Counsel for the appellants submit that without prejudice to the

contention of the appellants that the schemes floated by the appellant no. 1

company do not constitute CIS, the appellant no. 1 company has partly paid

the amount to the investors collected under the scheme and the appellants

are ready and willing to pay the balance amount to the investors as per the

schemes floated by the appellants.

4. Counsel for SEBI states that the refunds allegedly made by the

appellants are yet to be verified by SEBI.

5. Since appellants are willing to comply with the impugned order by

refunding the entire amount collected, without going into the merits of the

argument as to whether the schemes floated by the appellant no. 1

constituted CIS or not, we dispose of the appeal by permitting the appellants

to make a representation to SEBI within a period of eight weeks from today

setting in detail the name and the quantum of amount already refunded and

the mode and the manner in which the balance amount would be refunded.

6. If the appellants make a representation within a period of 8 weeks

from today, then, SEBI shall consider the said representation and pass

appropriate order thereon. If the appellants fail to make representation

within a period of 8 weeks from today, then SEBI is at liberty to implement

the impugned order.

7. Appellants shall furnish list of their assets to SEBI within a period of

8 weeks from today. Appellants shall also furnish any other information /

documents that may be demanded by SEBI.

8. Appeal is disposed of in the aforesaid terms with no order as to costs.

Sd/-

Justice J.P. Devadhar

**Presiding Officer** 

Sd/-

Dr. C.K.G. Nair

Member

07.12.2017

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