IN THE SECURITIES APPELLATE TRIBUNAL AT MUMBAI

Dated this the 6th Day of March, 2025

CORAM: Justice P.S. Dinesh Kumar, Presiding Officer Ms. Meera Swarup, Technical Member Dr. Dheeraj Bhatnagar, Technical Member

Appeal No. 102 of 2025

BETWEEN:

Alkaben Pradipkumar Shah 303, Sonet Flat, Opp. Pritamnagar Akhada, Paldi, Ahmedabad City, Ahmedabad, Gujarat – 380 007. (Noticee No. 40)

..... Appellant

(By Mr. Abishek Venkatraman, Advocate i/b Mr. Udaysingh Kashid, Advocates for the Appellant)

AND:

- 1. Securities and Exchange Board of India SEBI Bhavan, Plot No. C-4A, G-Block, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai 400 051.
- 2. BSE Limited
 25th Floor, PJ Towers,
 Dalal Street,
 Mumbai 400 001.

Respondents

(By Mr. Bhushan Shah, Advocate with Mr. Abhishek Nair, Advocate i/b Mansukhlal Hiralal & Co. for the Respondent No. 1– SEBI)

(By Mr. Manish Chhangani, Advocate with Mr. Atul Agrawal, Mr. Sumit Yadav, Mr. Abhay Chauhan, Advocates i/b The Law Point for the Respondent No. 2– BSE Ltd.)

WITH Appeal No. 103 of 2025

BETWEEN:

Mahammadfaruk Hajibhai Mir Nayi Vas, Lunva, Lunva, Mahesana, Gujarat - 384 130. (**Noticee No. 28**)

..... Appellant

(By Mr. Abishek Venkatraman, Advocate i/b Mr. Udaysingh Kashid, Advocates for the Appellant)

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AND

Appeal No. 104 of 2025 [Along with Misc. Application No. 191 of 2025 And Misc. Application No. 192 of 2025]

BETWEEN:

Ranjitsinh Ishwarsinh Rajput House No. A-12, Aabhushan Park, Deolai, Aurangabad, Maharashtra – 431 001. (**Noticee No. 30**)

..... Appellant

(By Mr. Abishek Venkatraman, Advocate i/b Mr. Udaysingh Kashid, Advocates for the Appellant)

AND:

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AND

Appeal No. 105 of 2025

[Along with Misc. Application No. 193 of 2025 And Misc. Application No. 201 of 2025]

BETWEEN:

Pujabahen Barot 329-1646, Gujarat Housing Board, Opp. Arbannagar, Bapunagar, Ahmedabad City, Ahmedabad, IE Bapunagar, Gujarat – 380 024. (**Noticee No. 29**)

..... Appellant

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AND Appeal No. 106 of 2025

[Along with Misc. Application No. 207 of 2025]

BETWEEN:

Pooja Pragnesh Dave D-T-8, Nidhishri Flat, Motera, Ahmedabad City, Motera, Ahmedabad, Gujarat – 380 005. (**Noticee No. 42**)

..... Appellant

(By Mr. Abishek Venkatraman, Advocate i/b Mr. Udaysingh Kashid, Advocates for the Appellant)

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AND

Appeal No. 107 of 2025
[Along with Misc. Application No. 115 of 2025]

BETWEEN:

Bhargavsinh Nandkishorsinh Chauhan Niddhishri Appartment, Sabarmati, Opp. Deshavar Hotel, Ahmedabad, Gujarat – 382 424. (**Noticee No. 39**)

..... Appellant

(By Mr. Abishek Venkatraman, Advocate i/b Mr. Udaysingh Kashid, Advocates for the Appellant)

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AND

Appeal No. 108 of 2025 [Along with Misc. Application No. 209 of 2025]

BETWEEN:

Dhaval Shankarbhai Rabari SUR No. 176, Thakor Vas, Gandhi Vas 2, Opp. ONGC, Ahmedabad City, Ahmedabad – 380 005. (**Noticee No. 43**)

..... Appellant

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THESE APPEALS ARE FILED UNDER SECTION 15T OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA ACT, 1992 TO QUASH AND SET ASIDE ORDER

DATED DECEMBER 23, 2024 PASSED BY THE WHOLE TIME MEMBER, SEBI.

THESE APPEALS COMING ON FOR HEARING THIS DAY, THE TRIBUNAL MADE THE FOLLOWING:

ORDER

Per: Justice P.S. Dinesh Kumar, Presiding Officer (Oral)

Learned advocate on both sides submit that after filing these appeals, SEBI¹ had issued a clarification dated February 17, 2025, which reads as follows:-

- "B. Noticees 1 to 5 and 7 to 19 are hereby restrained from buying, selling or dealing in securities, or accessing capital market either directly or indirectly, in any manner whatsoever until further orders.
- D. The alleged unlawful gains as detailed in para. 28 above, accrued to Noticees 7 to 19 from sale of preferentially allotted shares as part of a primafacie fraudulent scheme, are impounded.
- E. Banks where the Noticees 7 to 19 are holding bank accounts, including joint accounts, are directed that no debits in their accounts shall be made without permission of SEBI. Further, the Depositories are also directed that no debit shall be made without permission of SEBI in respect of the demat accounts held by the aforesaid persons. However, credits, if any, into the accounts may be allowed. Further, debits in the bank accounts may be allowed for amounts available in the

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¹ SEBI – Securities & Exchange Board of India

account in excess of the amount to be impounded. Banks are allowed to debit the accounts for the purpose of complying with this Order. Banks and the Depositories are directed to ensure that all the aforesaid directions are strictly enforced.

In view of the above directions by SEBI, it is advised that Banks, MIIs and SEBI Intermediaries shall reverse all such actions which have not been mentioned / inconsistent with the directions in the said interim Order. It is advised that the needful shall be done on most urgent and priority basis."

- 2. The issue involved in these appeals is, that the SEBI had directed the appellants' herein not to deal with BGDL². However, grievance of the appellant is that their demat accounts and bank accounts have been frozen. Appellants have no grievance with regard to the direction and undertake to trade in the aforesaid scrip. Their contention is that the bank accounts and demat accounts ought not to have been frozen as they cannot trade in other scrips and they are deprived of their livelihood.
- 3. Shri Abishek Venkatraman, learned advocate submits that after issuing the clarification dated February 17, 2025, nothing survives in this appeal. Shri Bhushan Shah, learned advocate for the SEBI also submits that demat and bank

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² BGDL - Bharat Global Developers Ltd.

accounts have been defrozen. Therefore, nothing survives in these appeals.

- 4. In view of the above, these appeals are dismissed as infructuous.
- 5. All (pending) interlocutory application(s) stand disposed of.

Justice P.S. Dinesh Kumar Presiding Officer

Ms. Meera Swarup Technical Member

Dr. Dheeraj Bhatnagar Technical Member

06.03.2025 PTM