IA (IB) No. 571/KB/2021

and

I.A. (IB) No. 789/KB/2021

in

C.P. (IB) No. 764/KB/2020

*In the matter of:* Application under section 30(6) for the approval of Resolution Plan under section 31 (1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016. And *In the matter of:* Bank of Baroda & Anr. ...Financial Creditor Versus **Kilburn Chemicals Limited** ...Corporate Debtor And IA (IB) No. 571/KB/2021 *In the matter of:* Sanjai Kumar Gupta [Resolution Professional of Kilburn Chemicals Limited] ... Applicant I.A. (IB) No. 789/KB/2021 *In the matter of:* **GAIL (India) Limited** ... Applicant Versus Sanjai Kumar Gupta,

.. Respondent

Resolution Professional of Kilburn Chemicals Limited

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#### Coram:

Shri Rohit Kapoor : Member (Judicial)

Shri Harish Chander Suri : Member (Technical)

#### Appearances (via video conference):

#### For the Applicant/RP:

- 1. Mr. Rishav Banerjee, Advocate.
- 2. Mr. Rahul Auddy, Advocate.

#### For Successful Resolution Applicant

- 1. Mr. Joy Saha, Sr. Advocate.
- 2. Mr. Souvik Mazumdar, Advocate.
- 3. Ms. Pooja Mahajan, Advocate.
- 4. Ms. Mahima Singh, Advocate.

#### For CoC:

- 1. Mr. Ratnanko Banerji, Sr. Advocate
- 2. Ms. Somali Mukhopadhyay, Advocate

#### For GAIL (India) Limited

1. Mr. Akshat Khare, Advocate

Order reserved on: 26.11.2021 Order pronounced on: 16.12.2021

#### **COMMON ORDER**

#### (IA (IB) No. 571/KB/2021 and I.A. (IB) No. 789/KB/2021)

#### Per: Harish Chander Suri, Member (Technical)

1. This Court convened through video conferencing.

#### IA (IB) No. 571/KB/2021

- 2. **IA** (**IB**) **No. 571/KB/2021** is an application under section 30 (6) of the Code after approval of the resolution plan by the Committee of Creditors ("CoC").
- 3. This Application was moved on 26.11.2021 by Mr. Rishav Banerjee,

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Advocate on behalf of Mr. Sanjai Kumar Gupta, Resolution Professional of Kilburn Chemicals Limited (CIN: L24117WB1990PLC199409) by invoking the provisions of section 30 (6) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 ("the Code" or "IBC") read with regulation 39(4) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 ("CIRP Regulation") for approval of a Resolution Plan in respect of Kilburn Chemicals Limited.

- 4. The underlying Company Petition in CP (IB) No. 764/KB/2020 was jointly filed by Bank of Baroda and State Bank of India against Kilburn Chemicals Limited, ("Corporate Debtor"), under section 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 which was admitted *vide* order dated 10 August 2020 in CP (IB) No. 764/KB/2020.
- 5. Initially, Mr. Partha Pratim Ghosh (IBBI Reg. No. [IBBI/IPA-001/IP-P00554/2017-2018/10984]) was appointed as the Interim Resolution Professional and was later confirmed as the Resolution Professional ("RP") by the CoC. However, Mr. Partha Pratim Ghosh was replaced by the Applicant as the RP of the Company, *vide* order dated 04.11.2020.
- 6. Mr. Partha Pratim Ghosh, the IRP made public announcement on 13.08.2020 in Financial Express (English), AajKal (Bengali) and Divya Bhaskar (Marathi Edition, Gujarat) newspapers regarding initiation of Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (hereinafter referred to as "CIRP") and called for proof of claims from the financial and operational creditors, workers and employees of the Company in the specified forms till 24.08.2020.
- 7. The Applicant states he received claims from 2 (two) Secured financial creditors, 281 (Two Hundred and Eighty One) operational creditors, workmen and employee dues and 7 (Seven) related party claims.

- 8. The Committee of Creditors ("CoC") was constituted on 01.09.2020 with 2 (two) Secured financial creditors, i.e., State Bank of India and Bank of Baroda, having 49.88% and 50.12% of voting right in CoC, respectively<sup>1</sup>.
- 9. The applicant states that a total of 21 (Twenty-One) CoC meetings have been held during the CIRP Period, as follows:

	Date of CoC
<b>Particulars</b>	meeting
1 <sup>st</sup> CoC	08.09.2020
2 <sup>nd</sup> CoC	24.09.2020
3 <sup>rd</sup> CoC	13.10.2020
4 <sup>th</sup> CoC	07.11.2020
5 <sup>th</sup> CoC	26.11.2020
6 <sup>th</sup> CoC	19.12.2020
7 <sup>th</sup> CoC	04.01.2021
8 <sup>th</sup> CoC	13.01.2021
9 <sup>th</sup> CoC	25.01.2021
10 <sup>th</sup> CoC	29.01.2021 & 30.01.2021
11 <sup>th</sup> CoC	06.02.2021
12 <sup>th</sup> CoC	17.02.2021
13 <sup>th</sup> CoC	24.02.2021
14 <sup>th</sup> CoC	05.03.2021
15 <sup>th</sup> CoC	15.03.2021
16 <sup>th</sup> CoC	20.03.2021
17 <sup>th</sup> CoC	26.03.2021

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Annexure C – Report certifying the Constitution of CoC, Pages – 130 – 144 of I.A. 571/KB/2021.

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Particulars	Date of CoC meeting
18 <sup>th</sup> CoC	03.04.2021
19 <sup>th</sup> CoC	09.04.2021 & 06.05.2021
20 <sup>th</sup> CoC	13.05.2021 & 17.05.2021
21st CoC	11.06.2021

- 10. The Applicant submits that in terms of the provisions of section 25(2)(h) of the Code read with regulation 36A(1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, invitations in Form 'G'<sup>2</sup> for Expressions of Interest ("**EoI**") from potential resolution applicants were issued. Form 'G' was published on 21.10.2020 for submission of resolution plans for the Corporate Debtor. The last date for receipt of EOIs was 05.11.2020. This was published in *Business Standard* (English), *AajKal* (Bengali) and *Western Times* (Gujarati). The notice was also published on the website of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India ("**IBBI**").
- 11. The applicant submits that the last date for receipt of EoIs, as per Form G, was extended from time to time and was last extended till 20.01.2021, by that date 6 (Six) plans were received by the Applicant<sup>3</sup>. Subsequently, on 25.01.2021 in 9<sup>th</sup> CoC meeting all the 6 (Six) sealed Resolution Plans were opened in the presence of the CoC members (present physically) and respective Potential Resolution Applicants ("**PRA**") (Present through audio video means)<sup>4</sup>. The List of the PRAs who have submitted the Resolution Plans are as under:

#### (i) Meghmani Organics Limited

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Annexure – E, Pages – 343 – 344 of I.A. 571/KB/2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Para 10 of I.A. 571/KB/2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Agenda item no. 7, Pages 236-241.

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- (ii) Rescom Mineral Trading FZE
- (iii)KLJ Resources Ltd
- (iv)DCM Shriram Industries Ltd
- (v) Inland Power Ltd.
- (vi) Kiri Industries Limited

Further, in the 9<sup>th</sup> CoC meeting it was also noticed by the RP that one of the PRA, i.e., Kiri Industries Limited has not given the Bank Guarantee with the plan and they were requested to submit the Bank Guarantee or to remit the equivalent amount in the bank account of the Corporate Debtor by the end of the day, failing which the plan submitted by the PRA will not be considered and it will be disqualified<sup>5</sup>.

- 12. In the 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> CoC meetings, presentations were made by the Resolution Applicants and RP on the Resolution Plans, the Financial Proposals stated thereunder and details about the Plan. Detailed discussion on the plans also took place.
- 13. Subsequently, in 20th CoC meeting, held on 13.05.2021 and 17.05.2021, the Applicant informed the CoC along with other attendees that the Compliance Report of four of the PRAs (i.e., Inland Power Ltd., Meghmani Organics Limited, Rescom Mineral Trading FZE, United Arab Emirates (Lead)(Trimex Industries Private Limited) and KLJ Resources Limited) have been shared with them through email and the applicant has also evaluated the Plans as per the RFRP and Evaluation Matrix and confirmed that the contents of the Resolution Plans submitted by Resolution Applicants met all the requirements as contained under section 30(2) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and the CIRP Regulations and does not contravene any of the provisions of law for the time being in force<sup>6</sup>. The applicant also informed that the plan submitted by DCM Shriram

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> *Ibid*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Para 12 of I.A. 571/KB/2021

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Industries Limited is non-Compliant<sup>7</sup>.

- 14. Thereafter, all the 4 (four) Resolution Plans were put up for voting by electronic method. The voting was kept open from 11:00 am on 20.05.2021 to 8:00 pm on 15.06.2021.
- 15. Further, the applicant states that after the voting had started at 11:00 am on 20.05.2021, 2 (two) PRAs, namely, Rescom Mineral Trading FZE & KLJ Resources Limited, wrote to the RP/CoC for revision of their financial plan. However, the issue was considered by the RP and the CoC in 21<sup>st</sup> CoC meeting, held on 11.06.2021, where it was unanimously decided by the CoC that such an opportunity should not be given because enough opportunity was given to all and the same would lead to delay and uncertainty in the CIRP process and the Resolution Plan submitted by Meghmani Organics Limited ("Resolution Applicant") was approved by 100% voting percentage of the CoC.
- 16. The decision of the CoC was communicated by the Applicant to the Successful Resolution Applicant on 15.06.2021 *vide* email. The Applicant also issued the Letter of Intent on 16.06.2021 vide email dated 18.06.2021 and the same was accepted by the Successful Resolution Applicant on 18.06.2021 by endorsing its acceptance on the Letter of Intent. The Successful Resolution Applicant in accordance with Regulation 36B (4A) of the CIRP Regulation has also submitted the Performance Bank Guarantee on 19.06.2021<sup>8</sup> (Bank Guarantee No. 006GT02211700004 issued by HDFC Bank).
- 17. The CoC was informed of the fair market value and liquidation value of the Corporate Debtor, as per the valuation reports.
- 18. The amount proposed in the Resolution Plan are tabulated below:

 $<sup>^{7}</sup>$  Agenda item no. 5, Pages 299 - 336.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Annexure K, Pages 578 - 581 of I.A. 571/KB/2021.

Stakeholder	Admitted	Total Pay-out
	Claim (INR)	(INR)
CID D. C.	(X)	(Y)
CIRP Costs	NA	Unpaid CIRP Costs outstanding as
		on the NCLT Approval Date shall be
		paid on actuals, in priority to any
		payments to any creditor, within 30
		days from the NCLT Approval Date.
		Such outstanding CIRP Costs shall
		be paid from the internal accruals of
		the Corporate Debtor as on the
		Closing Date. If the internal accruals
		of the Corporate Debtor are not
		sufficient to pay all the outstanding
		CIRP Costs, the Resolution
		Applicant shall fund the additional
		CIRP Costs to the extent of INR
		<b>1,55,00,000/-</b> (Rupees One Crore
		Fifty-Five Lakhs only) ("Allocated
		CIRP Costs Amount"). However, if
		the unpaid CIRP Costs also exceed
		the Allocated CIRP Costs Amount,
		the excess amount (i.e., amount in
		excess of Allocated CIRP Costs
		Amount) shall be deducted from the
		FC Payment ("Excess CIRP Costs").
Financial	INR	INR 128,51,58,349 (Rupees One
Creditors	2,09,58,83,539	Hundred Twenty-Eight Crore Fifty-
		One Lakhs Fifty-Eight Thousand
		Three Hundred Forty-Nine) be paid
		The Tanales Tory Time, so paid

Stakeholder	Admitted	Total Pay-out
	Claim (INR)	(INR)
	( <b>X</b> )	<b>(Y)</b>
		to the Financial Creditors, as against
		and in settlement and discharge of
		their Claims (admitted or not),
		within 30 days from the NCLT
		Approval Date.
Employees and	INR	INR <b>1,40,00,000</b> (Rupees One Crore
Workmen	4,78,05,389	Forty Lakhs) Workers will get
(excluding		61.32% of their dues and Employees
Related party)		will get 17.20% of their dues.
Operational	INR	INR 22,41,651 (Rupees Twenty-
Creditors (other	22,41,65,084	Two Lakh Forty-One Thousand Six
than Employees		Hundred Fifty-One)
and Workmen)		
Certain other	NA	INR 6,00,000 (Indian Rupees Six
unverified or		Lakh)
claimed		
liabilities		
Related party	INR	INR 1,00,000 (Indian Rupees One
claims	24,07,56,199	Lakh)
	(FCs)	
Existing	NA	NIL
shareholders		
TOTAL		INR 130,21,00,000
(Excluding		
CIRP Costs)		

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#### 19. The % of the recovery of all the stakeholders are as follows:-

Particulars	Claim Admitted (in Rs.)	Amount provided in the Resolution Plan	% of settlement to the amount admitted
Secured Financial Creditors	2,09,58,83,538.60	128,51,58,349.00	61.32%
Related Party Unsecured Financial Creditors + Related Party Employee	24,64,48,484.71	1,00,000.00	0.00040576%
Employee	3,47,11,917.76	5971084	17.20%
Workmen	1,30,93,469.86	8028916	61.32%
Operational Creditors (other than staff/workmen & statutory dues)	23,06,92,647.18	22,41,651.00	0.97%

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20. The Applicant submits details of various compliances as envisaged within the Code and the CIRP Regulations which requires a Resolution Plan to adhere to, which is reproduced hereunder:

# I. Submission of Resolution Plan in terms of Sub-section (2) of section 30 of the Code (as amended vide Amendment dated 16 August 2019):

Clause of	Requirement	How dealt with	Page No. in
S.30(2)		in the Plan	Resolution
			Plan
(a)	Plan must provide for	Clause 6.2 of	43
	payment of CIRP cost in	Chapter VI	
	priority to repayment of other	(Treatment of	
	debts of CD in the manner	Stakeholders)	
	specified by the Board.		
(b)	(i) Plan must provide for	Clause 6.4 and	46-50
	repayment of debts of OCs in	Clause 6.5 of	
	such manner as may be	Chapter VI	
	specified by the Board which	(Treatment of	
	shall not be less than the	Stakeholders)	
	amount payable to them in		
	the event of liquidation u/s		
	53; or		
	(ii) Plan must provide for	Clause 6.3.5 of	
	repayment of debts of OCs	Chapter VI	
	in such manner as may be	(Treatment of	
	specified by the Board	Stakeholders)	
	which shall not be less than		

Clause of	Requirement	How dealt with	Page No. in
S.30(2)		in the Plan	Resolution
			Plan
	amount that would have		
	been paid to such creditors,		
	if the amount to be		
	distributed under the		
	resolution plan had been		
	distributed in accordance		
	with the order of priority in		
	sub-section (1) of section		
	53, which ever is higher		
	and		
	(iii) Provides for payment of	Clause 6.5 of	44
	debts of financial creditors	Chapter VI	
	who do not vote in favour	(Treatment of	
	of the resolution plan, in	Stakeholders)	
	such manner as may be		
	specified by the Board.		
(c)	Management of the affairs of	Chapter IX	65 & 66
	the Corporate Debtor after	(Management	
	approval of the Resolution Plan.	and Control of	
		KCL)	
(d)	Implementation and	Chapter X	67 - 73
	Supervision.	(Term,	
		Implementatio	
		n and	
		Supervision)	
		and Chapter	

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Clause of	Requirement	How dealt with	Page No. in
S.30(2)		in the Plan	Resolution
			Plan
		XI	
		(Implementati	
		on Steps and	
		Schedule)	
(e)	Plan does not contravene any of	Chapter XIII	76 - 78
	the provisions of the law for the	(Miscellaneous	
	time being in force.	)	
(f)	Conforms to such other	N/A	N/A
	requirements as maybe		
	specified by the Board.		

## II. Measures required for implementation of the Resolution Plan in terms of Regulation 37 of CIRP Regulations:

Particulars	Relevant Page of the Resolution Plan dealing aforesaid compliance with Regulation	
A resolution plan shall provide for the measures, as may be necessary, for insolvency resolution of the corporate debtor for maximisation of value of its assets, including but not limited to the following: -		
(a) transfer of all or part of the assets of the corporate debtor to one or more persons;	Not proposed by the SRA.	

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Particulars	Relevant Page of the
	Resolution Plan dealing
	aforesaid compliance with
	Regulation
(b) sale of all or part of the assets	Not proposed by the RA
whether subject to any security	Not proposed by the KA
interest or not;	N 11 1 D1
(c) restructuring of the corporate	Not proposed by the RA.
debtor, by way of merger,	
amalgamation and demerger	
(d) the substantial acquisition of shares	The Resolution Applicant
of the corporate debtor, or the	proposes cancellation of all
merger or consolidation of the	existing share capital of the
corporate debtor with one or more	Corporate Debtor and delisting
persons;	of its shares from the
	recognised stock exchange on
	the Closing Date. Simultaneous
	with the cancellation of the
	existing share capital of the
	Corporate Debtor, the
	Resolution Applicant/ SPV <sup>9</sup>
	and its nominees shall infuse
	share application money of
	INR 12,15,00,000 (Indian
	Rupees Twelve Crore Fifteen
	Lakh) and shall be allotted
	1,21,50,000 shares (Face Value
	Rs 10 per share) of the
	Corporate Debtor such that the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> SPV means a special purpose Company, incorporated by the Resolution Applicant as a wholly owned subsidiary for purpose of implementation of Resolution Plan.

Particulars	Relevant Page of the
	Resolution Plan dealing
	aforesaid compliance with
	Regulation
	Resolution Applicant/ SPV and
	its nominees are the sole
	shareholders of the Corporate
	Debtor.
	Chapter - VIII - Change in
	Shareholding <sup>10</sup>
(e) cancellation or delisting of any	Cancellation of existing
shares of the corporate debtor, if	shareholding is envisaged. The
applicable;	Company shall within 30 days of
	the NCLT Approval Date, submit
	an application to the concerned
	stock exchanges and SEBI for
	clarification/approval to delist its
	shares from the recognised stock
	exchanges. The liquidation value
	due to the equity shareholders in
	terms of the Code is NIL. Hence,
	no amount shall be paid to any
	shareholder against cancellation
	of their shares <sup>11</sup> .
	In the aforesaid application, the
	Company shall disclose (i) the
	details of delisting of its Equity
	Shares; (ii) the justification for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Resolution Plan, Pages -61 - 62.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Resolution Plan, Pages – 61 – 62, Point 8.2.2.

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Particulars	Relevant Page of the
	Resolution Plan dealing
	aforesaid compliance with
	Regulation
	not paying any exit price to the
	public shareholders.
	Further, the shares of the
	Corporate Debtor shall be
	delisted within a period of 60
	days from the NCLT Approval
	Date <sup>12</sup> .
(f) satisfaction or modification of any	Upon payment to the FCs, the
security interest;	Underlying Company Security
	shall stand irrevocably released
	in terms of the Resolution Plan.
	The approval of the NCLT
	shall be deemed to be approval
	of the Financial Creditors for
	release/ modification/ revision
	of the Underlying Company
	Security for purpose of
	securing/ guaranteeing the FC
	Payment.
	Clause 6.3.4 of the Resolution
	Plan
	Pg 623-624
(g) curing or waiving of any breach of	Clause 6 of the Resolution Plan
the terms of any debt due from the	deals with settlement of debt
corporate debtor;	due from the Corporate Debtor.

<sup>12</sup> Ibid.

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Partici	ılars	Relevant Page of the
		Resolution Plan dealing
		aforesaid compliance with
		Regulation
		Pg 622-636
(1-)	and a stice in the consequence has	Clause 6 of the Resolution Plan
(n)	reduction in the amount payable to	
	the creditors;	deals with payment to
		stakeholders. Since full
		payment is not being proposed
		for all stakeholders, there is
		reduction in the amount
		payable to creditors <sup>13</sup> .
(i)	extension of a maturity date or a	N/A
	change in interest rate or other	
	terms of a debt due from the	
	corporate debtor;	
(j)	amendment of the constitutional	Clause 8.3.3 (g) of the
	documents of the corporate debtor;	Resolution Plan provides that
		the Articles of Association and
		the Memorandum of
		Association of the Company
		shall be amended and replaced
		by new Articles of Association
		and Memorandum of
		Association (as provided by the
		Resolution Applicant). Such
		amendment may also provide

<sup>13</sup> Resolution Plan, Pages – 42-57.

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Particulars	Relevant Page of the
	Resolution Plan dealing
	aforesaid compliance with
	Regulation
	for change in registered office
	of KCL, increase in the
	authorized share capital of KCL
	in case required for capital
	restructuring, as an integral part
	of the Resolution Plan <sup>14</sup> .
(k) issuance of securities of the	N/A
corporate debtor, for cash,	
property, securities, or in	
exchange for claims or interests,	
or other appropriate purpose;	
(l) change in portfolio of goods or	N/A
services produced or rendered by	
the corporate debtor;	
(m) change in technology used by	N/A
the corporate debtor; and	
(n) Obtaining necessary approvals	Clause 10.2 <sup>15</sup> of the Resolution
from the Central and State	Plan contains provisions
Governments and other	regarding the approvals
authorities.	required for the Resolution
	Plan, which includes the
	following –

Resolution Plan, Page – 63.Resolution Plan, Pages – 67 – 69.

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- SEBI approval for of shares of the Debtor		
Regulation  - NCLT approval Section 31 of the 6 - Approvals require the Companies Acceptation - SEBI approval for of shares of the Debtor	dealing	
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the Companies Ac - SEBI approval for of shares of the Debtor	Code	
- SEBI approval for of shares of the Debtor	ed under	
of shares of the Debtor	the Companies Act, 2013	
Debtor	delisting	
	Corporate	
CIDC		
- GIDC approv	al for	
registering cha	nge in	
control of the	Corporate	
Debtor from	erstwhile	
shareholders/ ma	nagement	
to the SPV/F	Resolution	
Applicant.		

# III. Mandatory contents of Resolution Plan in terms of Regulation 38 of CIRP Regulations:

Reference	Requirement	How dealt with in the
to relevant		Plan
Regulation		
38(1)	The amount due to the operational	Clause 6.5.1 of Chapter
	creditors under a resolution plan	VI (Treatment of
	shall be given priority in payment	Stakeholders) <sup>16</sup>
	over financial creditors.	

 $<sup>^{16}</sup>$  Resolution Plan, Pages -48.

Reference	Requirement	How dealt with in the
to relevant		Plan
Regulation		
38(1A)	A resolution plan shall include a	Clause 6.14 of Chapter
	statement as to how it has dealt with	VI (Treatment of
	the interests of all stakeholders,	Stakeholders) <sup>17</sup>
	including financial creditors and	
	operational creditors of the corporate	
	debtor.	
38(1B)	A resolution plan shall include a	Clause 13.5 of Chapter
	statement giving details if the	XIII (Miscellaneous) <sup>18</sup>
	resolution applicant or any of its	
	related parties has failed to	
	implement or contributed to the	
	failure of implementation of any	
	other resolution plan approved by the	
	Adjudicating Authority at any time	
	in the past.	
38(2)	A resolution plan shall provide:	Clause 10.1 of Chapter
	(a) the term of the plan and its	X (Term,
	implementation schedule;	Implementation and
		Supervision) and
		Chapter XI
		(Implementation Steps
		and Schedule) <sup>19</sup>

 $<sup>^{17}</sup>$  Resolution Plan, Pages  $-\,57.$   $^{18}$  Resolution Plan, Pages  $-\,76-77.$   $^{19}$  Resolution Plan, Pages  $-\,67-73.$ 

Reference	Requirement	How dealt with in the
to relevant		Plan
Regulation		
	(b)the management and control of	Chapter IX
	the business of the corporate debtor	(Management and
	during its term; and	Control of KCL) <sup>20</sup>
	(c) Adequate means for supervising	Chapter X (Term,
	its implementation.	Implementation and
		Supervision) <sup>21</sup>
38(3)	A resolution plan shall demonstrate	Chapter V (Strategy
	that-	for the Company) <sup>22</sup>
	(a) it addresses the cause of default;	
	(b) it is feasible and viable;	Chapter III (About the
		Resolution Applicant)
		and Chapter V -
		(Strategy for the
		Company) <sup>23</sup>
	(c) it has provisions for its effective	Clause 10.3 of Chapter
	implementation;	X (Term,
		Implementation and
		Supervision) and
		Chapter XI
		(Implementation Steps
		and Schedule) <sup>24</sup>

 $<sup>^{20}</sup>$  Resolution Plan, Pages -65-66.

Resolution Plan, Pages – 65 – 66.
 Resolution Plan, Pages – 67 – 71.
 Resolution Plan, Pages – 34 – 41.
 Resolution Plan, Pages – 17 – 26 & 34 – 41.
 Resolution Plan, Pages – 69 – 70 & 72 – 73.

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Reference	Requirement	How dealt with in the
to relevant		Plan
Regulation		
	(d) it has provisions for approvals	Clause 10.2 of Chapter
	required and the timeline for the	X (Term,
	same; and	Implementation and
		Supervision) and
		Chapter XI
		(Implementation Steps
		and Schedule) <sup>25</sup>
	(e) the Resolution Applicant has the	Chapter III (About the
	capability to implement the resolution	Resolution
	plan.	Applicant) <sup>26</sup>

### IV. Mandatory contents of Resolution Plan in terms of Regulation 39 of CIRP Regulations

Reference to	Requirement	How dealt with in the
relevant		Plan
Regulation		
39(1)(a)	An affidavit stating RA is	Annexure M of the
	eligible under section 29A to	Approval Petition <sup>27</sup>
	submit resolution plans;	

 $<sup>^{25}</sup>$  Resolution Plan, Pages  $-\,67-73.$   $^{26}$  Resolution Plan, Pages  $-\,17-26.$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Annexure – M, Pages – 664 - 666 of I.A. 571/KB/2021

39(1)(c)	An undertaking by the	Letter dated
	prospective resolution applicant	$17.05.2021^{28}$
	that every information and	
	records provided in connection	
	with or in the resolution plan is	
	true and correct and discovery of	
	false information and record at	
	any time will render the	
	applicant ineligible to continue	
	in the corporate insolvency	
	resolution process, forfeit any	
	refundable deposit, and attract	
	penal action under the Code	

- 21. Applicant submits that the Successful Resolution Applicant has submitted a affidavit of eligibility under Section 29A of the Code, which has been annexed as [Annexure M] at pages 664 -666 of the Application.
- 22. Applicant submits that the RP has submitted the certificate certifying and confirming the eligibility of the SRA under Section 29A of the Code, which has been annexed as [Annexure H] at pages 565 -567 of the Application.
- 23. The Applicant has filed a compliance certificate in the prescribed form, *i.e.*, Form 'H' in compliance with regulation 39(4) of the CIRP Regulations which has been annexed as **Annexure N** at **Pages [667-673]** with the Application.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Annexure – L, Page – 582 of I.A. 571/KB/2021

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#### **Details of Resolution Plan/ Payment Schedule**

24. The Applicant submits the relevant information with regard to the amount claimed, amount admitted and the amount proposed to be paid by the Successful Resolution Applicant i.e. Meghmani Organics Ltd, under the said Resolution Plan is tabulated as under:

Stakeholder	Admitted Claim (INR) (X)	Total Pay-out (INR) (Y)	Timing of Payments
CIRP Costs (Clause 6.2. of Resolution Plan)	NA NA	Outstanding CIRP Costs to be paid as per actuals on priority basis.  Estimated as up to INR 1,55,00,000 (Indian Rupees One Crore Fifty-Five Lakhs)  Note:  If the internal accruals of the CD are not sufficient to pay all the outstanding CIRP Costs, the SRA shall fund the additional CIRP Costs to the extent of INR 1,55,00,000 (Indian Rupees One Crore Fifty-Five Lakhs)  ("Allocated CIRP Costs Amount").  If the unpaid CIRP Costs also exceeds the Allocated CIRP Costs Amount, the excess amount shall be deducted from the FC Payment ("Excess	Closing Date: Within 30 days of the NCLT Approval Date (in priority to any other payments)
Financial	INR	CIRP Costs") INR 128,51,58,349	Closing Date:
Creditors	2,09,58,83,539	(Indian Rupees One	Within 30

Stakeholder	Admitted	Total Pay-out	Timing of
Stakenoluci	Claim (INR)	(INR)	Payments
	(X)	(Y)	1 dy menes
(Clause 6.3.of Resolution Plan)		Hundred Twenty-Eight Crore Fifty-One Lakhs Fifty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Forty- Nine) ("FC Payment"). Note: In case the internal accruals of the CD on the Closing Date as well as Allocated CIRP Costs Amount is not sufficient to pay the CIRP Costs in full, the FC Payment shall stand reduced by Excess	days of the NCLT Approval Date
Г. 1	DID	CIRP Costs.	CI ' D
Employees and	INR 4,78,05,389	INR 1,40,00,000 (Indian Rupees One	Closing Date: Within 30
Workmen (excluding Related party) (Clause 6.4.of Resolution Plan)	4,70,03,307	(Indian Rupees One Crore Forty Lakhs) as against and in settlement and discharge of all their Claims (admitted or not) in the following manner:  a) Non-related workmen shall be paid a percentage of their respective admitted claim equal to percentage of admitted claims being paid to secured financial creditors. For instance, if secured financial creditors are paid 61.32% of their admitted claims, non-related workmen shall also be paid 61.32% of their admitted claims; b) The balance amount	days of the NCLT Approval Date (in priority to Financial Creditors)

Stakeholder	Admitted	Total Pay-out	Timing of
Stakenoluei	Claim (INR)	(INR)	Payments
	(X)	(Y)	1 ayments
	(21)	of Workmen and	
		Employees' Payment	
		shall be paid to non-	
		related employees.	
Operational	INR	INR22,41,651 (Indian	Closing Date:
Creditors	22,41,65,084	Rupees Twenty-Two	Within 30
(other than		Lakh Forty-One	days of the
Employees		Thousand Six Hundred	NCLT
and		Fifty-One	Approval
Workmen)			Date (in
(Clause 6.5.		Note:	priority to
of Resolution		A claim under the	Financial
Plan)		Export Promotion	Creditors)
		Capital Goods Scheme	
		(" <b>EPCG</b> ") has been submitted for an	
		submitted for an amount of INR	
		9,18,56,663 (Indian	
		Rupees Nine Crore	
		Eighteen Lakh Fifty-	
		Six Thousand Six	
		Hundred Sixty-Three)	
		of which INR	
		8,55,00,000 (Indian	
		Rupees Eight Crore	
		Fifty-Five Lakh) has	
		been admitted by the	
		RP. Since the CD may	
		not be able to fulfil	
		export related	
		requirements within	
		the stipulated time, the	
		SRA proposes a	
		settlement in terms of Clause 6.5.2 (i.e., pro	
		rata re-distribution of	
		the Non-Workmen/	
		Employee OC Payment	
		amount, to include	
		such further claims,	
		without increasing the	
		total amount allocated	
		to Operational	

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Stakeholder	Admitted	Total Pay-out	Timing of
Stakenouci	Claim (INR)	(INR)	Payments Payments
	(X)	(Y)	1 dyments
	()	Creditors (other than Workmen and	
		Employees). Such	
		settlement shall be in	
		settlement of all	
		liabilities of the CD in	
		respect of its export	
		obligations in the past	
		or arising in future.	
Certain other	NA	INR 6,00,000 (Indian	(As per
unverified or		Rupees Six Lakh)	Annexure 4
claimed			$)^{29}$
liabilities			
(As per			
Annexure 4)			
Related party	INR	<b>INR 1,00,000</b> (Indian	Closing Date:
claims	24,07,56,199	Rupees One Lakh)	Within 30
(Clause 6.6. of Resolution	(FCs)		days of the NCLT
Plan)			Approval
			Date
Existing	NA	NIL	NA
shareholders			
(Clause 8.3.3			
(d) of			
Resolution			
Plan)			
TOTAL		INR 130,21,00,000	
(Excluding			
CIRP Costs)			

#### Notes:

i) Contractual Claims and Liabilities (Clause 6.7. of Resolution Plan)

#### A. Contract with GAIL (Clause 6.7.3)

• The SRA understands that, in July 2016, KCL had entered into a Long-term Contract (10 years) for sourcing Natural Gas from Gas Authority of India Limited ("GAIL"), Ahmedabad Zonal

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Resolution Plan, Pages -84 - 85.

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- Office, at a minimum level of consumption of 51000 standard cubic metres (scm) per day ("GAIL Contract").
- to arbitration, which is currently pending. GAIL has continued to raise monthly and annual claims/ invoices against the GTA and the GSA.GAIL has filed a claim of INR 5,39,75,00,000 on the CD, which has been rejected by the RP ("GAIL Claim"). The SRA believes that the GAIL Contract is onerous and commercially unviable and its continuation is not in the long-term interest of the CD. Further, since the SRA does not propose to use gas from GAIL for purpose of its revival, the GAIL Contract is not required to be continued. Hence, as an integral part of this Resolution Plan, the GAIL Contract shall stand terminated on the NCLT Approval Date without the requirement of any further act or deed on the part of the SRA, SPV, KCL and/ or the new management.
- Any claims or liabilities against KCL, arising under the GAIL
  Contract, including GAIL Claim and any other contingent,
  unclaimed, disputed or undisputed, asserted or unasserted,
  present or future Claims of GAIL, including Claims in respect
  of termination of the GAIL Contract shall be settled by the CD
  at NIL value.

#### B. GIDC Lease (Clause 6.7.4)

• The SRA affirms that after the Closing Date, the CD shall make payment to GIDC under the GIDC Lease in accordance with the terms thereof. Further, the SRA / SPV/ CD shall make necessary applications with GIDC for registering change in control of the CD from erstwhile shareholders/management to the SPV/SRA. The relevant transfer charges/transfer premium will be paid to GIDC for such transfer. The SRA estimates the transfer charges/premium to be INR 18.00 Crores (Indian)

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Rupees Eighteen Crores) and clarifies that this is over and above the payments to be made to the creditors under this Resolution Plan and payment of CIRP costs and in no way will impact implementation of the plan.

## 25. <u>Details on Management/Implementation and Reliefs as per the</u> <u>Resolution Plan – Salient Features</u>

#### **Monitoring and Supervision (Clause 10.4)**

- a. An appropriate monitoring committee shall be constituted on the NCLT Approval Date (Monitoring Committee), which shall comprise of:
  - 1. Resolution Professional
  - 2. Two representatives as appointed by the SRA
  - 3. Two representatives of the Financial Creditors
- Resolution Professional shall act as the Chairman of the Monitoring Committee and shall hold office from the NCLT Approval Date till the Closing Date.
- c. The Monitoring Committee shall convene its first meeting within 7 days of the NCLT Approval Date. All decisions of the Monitoring Committee shall be undertaken with unanimous consent until the Closing Date. After the NCLT Approval Date, RP/ Monitoring Committee shall run the Corporate Debtor in ordinary course, without undertaking or incurring any liabilities on behalf of the Corporate Debtor (except liabilities arising in ordinary course). The roles and responsibilities of the Monitoring Committee have been specified in the Resolution Plan.

#### Management and Control of KCL by SRA (Clause 9.1)

 a. The SPV and its nominees proposes to hold 100% (hundred percent) shareholding in the restructured share capital of KCL, as elaborated in Chapter VIII (Change in Shareholding)

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- b. On and from the Closing Date, the SPV and the SRA shall be in control and management of affairs of the CD and the business of the CD shall be carried on by the new management as appointed by the SRA/SPV. On the Closing Date, the board of directors of KCL shall stand reconstituted, wherein all existing directors shall be deemed to have vacated their offices and new directors will be appointed to the board of directors of KCL by the SRA/SPV.
- c. Any approvals that may be required from Governmental Authorities (including tax authorities) in connection with the implementation of the Resolution Plan including on account of change in ownership / control of KCL shall be deemed to have been granted on the NCLT Approval Date. Where required, after Closing Date, the SRA/ SPV/ CD shall make necessary applications with Governmental Authorities (including GIDC) for registering change in control of the CD from erstwhile shareholders/ management to the SPV/SRA.

#### 26. Reliefs and Concessions (Chapter XII of Resolution Plan)

Sl.No.	Relief and/or Concessions Sought	Orders Thereon
a.	Waiver from the levy of stamp duty	Not granted.
	and fees by the stamp authorities and	
	Ministry of Corporate Affairs,	
	applicable in relation to this	
	Resolution Plan and its	
	implementation, including an increase	
	of authorised capital and issuance of	
	Equity Shares to Resolution	
	Applicant.	

b.	KCL and the Resolution Applicant	No general reliefs can be granted
	shall be granted an exemption from	in the manner sought for. It is for
	all taxes, levies, fees, transfer charges	the appropriate taxing authorities
	(except to GIDC), transfer premiums,	to consider the same in
	and surcharges that arise from or	accordance with the relevant law.
	relate to implementation of the	
	Resolution Plan, since payment of	
	these amounts may make the	
	Resolution Plan unviable.	
c.	The Resolution Applicant except for	Granted in terms of the
	the payment mentioned in Annexure	Ghanashyam Mishra and Sons
	4 shall not be liable to pay any Taxes	Pvt Ltd v Edelweiss Asset
	(direct or indirect) whatsoever arising	Reconstruction Company Ltd <sup>30</sup> .
	(directly or indirectly on such entity)	
	as a result of the actions taken by the	
	Corporate Debtor prior to the Closing	
	Date. It may also be clarified that any	
	Tax liabilities pertaining to any	
	period or action prior to the Effective	
	Date, whether assessed or unassessed,	
	whether crystallized or not	
	crystallized by any of the relevant	
	Government Authority shall be	
	deemed to have been extinguished	
	and written off on the NCLT	
	Approval date.	

 $<sup>^{30}\;</sup>$  2021 SCC OnLine SC 313 decided on 13.04.2021.

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	d.	Waiver of any income-tax and	No general reliefs can be granted
		Minimum Alternate Tax (MAT)	in the manner sought for. It is for
		liability or consequences (including	the appropriate taxing authorities
		interest, fine, penalty, etc) on KCL,	to consider the same in
		Resolution Applicant and its	accordance with the relevant law.
		shareholders, including but not	
		limited to waiver from applicability	
		of Section 50CA and liabilities, if	
		any, arising on account of Section 41	
		(1), Section 56, , Section 28, Section	
		115JB and of the Income-tax Act,	
		1961, arising as a result of giving	
		effect to all the steps as proposed in	
		the Resolution Plan without any	
		impact on brought forward tax and	
		book loss / depreciation, pursuant to	
		this Resolution Plan.	
	e.	Any requirements to obtain reliefs /	No general reliefs can be granted
		exemptions / waivers from any Tax	in the manner sought for. It is for
		Authorities including in terms of	the appropriate taxing authorities
		Sections 170 and 281 of the Income-	to consider the same in
		tax Act is deemed to have granted	accordance with the relevant law.
		upon approval of this Resolution Plan	
		on the NCLT Approval Date.	
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#### **I.A.** (IB) No. 789/KB/2021

27. This is an application filed by GAIL (India) Limited under section 60(5) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 seeking for admission of

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it's claim by the Resolution Professional of Kilburn Chemicals Limited ("Corporate Debtor").

#### Submissions of the learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the Applicant.

- 28. It is submitted that the Applicant is a Government Company under section 617 of the Companies Act, 1956, bearing CIN: L40200DL1984GO1018976.
- 29. Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the Applicant submits that GAIL (India) Limited is one of the Operational Creditors of the Corporate Debtor pursuant to execution of **Gas Sale Agreement ("GSA")** for supply of Re-gasified Liquid Natural Gas **dated 28.07.2016** at Dahej for supply of natural gas 2000 MMBTU/Day from 03.08.2018 to 30.04.2028 and **Gas Transmission Agreement ("GTA") dated 28.07.2016** for transportation of gas from the delivery point to the plant of the Corporate Debtor.
- 30. It is submitted that *vide* order dated 10.08.2020, this Adjudicating Authority admitted C.P.(IB) No. 764/KB/2020 initiating Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process ("CIRP") against the Corporate Debtor. The public announcement was issued on 12.08.2020 by the Interim Resolution Professional of the Corporate Debtor.
- 31. It is submitted that the claim of the applicant was rejected by the Resolution Professional *via* email dated 17.11.2020.
- 32. It is further submitted due to the second wave of Covid-19 pandemic the Office of the Applicant was restricted to emergency functions only. The Applicant submits that the application is not barred by limitation in view of the Hon'ble Supreme Court *vide* order dated 08.03.2021 directed exclusion of the period from 15.03.2020 till 14.03.2021 in computing the period of limitation which was extended *vide* order dated 27.04.2021.
- 33. It is further submitted that the Corporate Debtor failed to start the commencement of gas supply as per Article 12.7 of GSA and Article 8.10 of GTA. The Applicant has raised its claim towards "Ship or Pay" under

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- Article 6.1. of GA for the period of 03.08.2018 to 31.12.2018 *vide* letter dated 09.01.2019 and had raised demand towards TOP claim under GSA and SOP claim under the GTA.
- 34. It is submitted that the arbitration clause was invoked towards all claims including TOP and SOP claims *vide* letter dated 16.01.2019. Subsequently, CIRP was initiated against the Corporate Debtor and the Applicant filed its claim in Form B on 07.10.2020 of Rs.539.75Crore approximately towards entire contractual obligation under GSA and GTA.
- 35. It is further submitted that the Resolution Professional rejected the entire claim on 17.11.2020, stating that firstly, no gas was ever supplied, secondly, book of accounts of the Corporate Debtor has debit balance of Rs.1.01Crore on account of Bank Guarantee submitted to the Applicant and thirdly, arbitration proceeding is pending between the Applicant and the Corporate Debtor.
- 36. In course of the arguments, the learned Counsel for the successful Resolution Applicant submitted that the successful Resolution Applicant would pay the Applicant at par with the Operational Creditors with no additional financial burden on the successful Resolution Applicant. The learned Counsel on behalf of the Applicant agreed to the submission made by the learned Counsel for the successful Resolution Applicant.

#### **Findings**

37. On hearing the submissions made by the Ld. Counsel for the Resolution Professional, Ld. Counsel for the Applicant in I.A. (IB) No. 789/KB/2021, learned Senior Counsel for the successful Resolution Applicant and learned Senior Counsel for the CoC and perused the record, we find that the Resolution Plan has been approved with 100% voting share. As per the CoC, the plan meets the requirement of being viable and feasible for revival of the Corporate Debtor. By and large, all the compliances have been done by the RP and the Resolution Applicant for making the plan effective after approval by this Bench. Further, in view of the above

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submissions made in I.A. (IB) No. 789/KB/2021, the I.A.becomes infructuous and is hereby dismissed.

38. Clause 6.7.3 given in pages 51-52 of the Resolution Plan wherein it is stated that

"Any claims or liabilities against KCL, arising under the GAIL contract, including GAIL claim and any other contingent, unclaimed, disputed or undisputed, asserted or unasserted, present or future claims of GAIL, including claims in respect of termination of the GAIL contract shall be settled by the Company at NIL value. No amount shall be payable by the Resolution Applicant, SPV, KCL and/or the new management of KCL to GAIL and neither of them shall, at any point, be made directly or indirectly responsible or liable for any claim that GAIL has or may have against KCL."

is to be struck off and GAIL (India) Limited shall be paid along with the other Operational Creditors. The claim of GAIL (India) Limited shall be verified by the monitoring Committee.

- 39. On perusal of the documents on record, we are also satisfied that the Resolution Plan is in accordance with sections 30 and 31 of the IBC and also complies with regulations 38 and 39 of the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations 2016.
- 40. The Corporate Debtor being a listed entity, the successful Resolution Applicant shall ensure compliance of applicable listing guidelines.
- 41. As far as the question of granting time to comply with the statutory obligations/seeking sanctions from governmental authorities is concerned, the Resolution Applicant is directed to do the same within one year as prescribed under section 31(4) of the Code.
- 42. In case of non-compliance of this order or withdrawal of Resolution Plan, the CoC shall forfeit the EMD amount already paid by the Resolution Applicant.

- 43. Subject to the observations made in this Order, the Resolution Plan in question is hereby **approved** by this Bench. **The Resolution Plan shall form part of this Order.**
- 44. The Resolution Plan is binding on the Corporate Debtor and other stakeholders involved so that revival of the Debtor Company shall come into force with immediate effect.
- 45. The Moratorium imposed under section 14 shall cease to have effect from the date of this order.
- 46. The Resolution Professional shall submit the records collected during the commencement of the proceedings to the Insolvency & Bankruptcy Board of India for the record and also unto the Resolution Applicant or New Promoters.
- 47. Certified copy of this Order be issued on demand to the concerned parties, upon due compliance.
- 48. Liberty is hereby granted for moving any Application if required in connection with implementation of this Resolution Plan.
- 49. A copy of this Order is to be submitted in the Office of the Registrar of Companies, West Bengal.
- 50. The Resolution Professional shall stand discharged from his duties with effect from the date of this Order.
- 51. The Resolution Professional is further directed to handover all records, premises/factories/documents to the Resolution Applicant to finalise the further line of action required for starting of the operation. The Resolution Applicant shall have access to all the records/premises/factories/documents through the Resolution Professional to finalise the further line of action required for starting of the operation.
- 52. I.A. (IB) No. 571/KB/2021, I.A. (IB) No. 789/KB/2021 and the main Company Petition i.e. CP(IB)No. 764/KB/2020 shall stand disposed of accordingly.

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- 53. The Registry is directed to send e-mail copies of the order forthwith to all the parties and their Ld. Counsel for information and for taking necessary steps.
- 54. Certified copy of this order may be issued, if applied for, upon compliance of all requisite formalities.
- 55. File be consigned to the record.

(Harish Chander Suri) Member (Technical) (Rohit Kapoor) Member (Judicial)

Order signed on December 16th, 2021

GGRB, LRA / SA, LRA