

भारत सरकार कारपोरेट कार्य मंत्रालय कम्पनी पंजियक का कार्यालय, तमिलनाडू, कोयंबटूर नंबर 7 ए जी टी बिजनेस पार्क फेज ॥, 1ST फ्लोर, पीलमेडू कोयंबटूर- 6410014

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Date: 05.02.2020

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Ref: ROC/CBE/A.O./92&137/21224/2019

Order for Penalty under Section 454 for violation of Section 92 & 137 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Adjudication of Penalties) Rules, 2014

IN THE MATTER OF M/s GRIHACHAND NIDHI LIMITED CIN: U65923TZ2015PLC021224

## **Appointment of Adjudicating Officer:**

1. Ministry of Corporate Affairs vide its Gazette Notification No.A-42011/112/2014-Ad.II dated 24.3.2015 appointed undersigned as Adjudicating Officer in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 454 of the Companies Act, 2013 (herein after known as Act) read with Companies (Adjudication of penalties) Rules, 2014 for adjudging penalties under the provisions of this Act.

#### 2. Company:

Whereas Company M/s. GRIHACHAND NIDHI LIMITED (hereinafter Known as Company) is a registered company with this office under the provisions of Companies Act, 1956/2013 having its registered at address 318AB, NSR ROAD, SAIBABA COLONY, COIMBATORE – 641011.

#### 3. Facts of the case:

Whereas Adjudication Notice under Section 454 for the violations of Section 92(5) and 137(3) of the Companies Act, 2013 were issued vide No. ROCCBE/ADJ/92&137/21224/2019 dated 7.11.2019 to the Company and its Seven directors in default, viz., 1) M/s. KOMALA UNNIKRISHNAN, (DIN: 03163184) 2) Smt. VIJAYALEKSHMI PARAYIL NARAYANA PILLAI (DIN: 07050979) 3) Smt. VIMALA RADHAKRISHNAN NAIR (DIN: 07050981) 4) Shri. GOPALAKRISHNAN KUTTAPPAN (DIN: 07050983) 5) Shri. MURALEEDHARAN PILLAI (DIN: 07050984) 6) Shri. SATISHCHANDRAN RAMCHANDRAN PILLAI (DIN: 07063718) to

show cause for non-filing of Annual Return for the Financial years 2016-17 and 2017-18 and Financial Statement for the Financial years 2016-17 and 2017-18. (Herein after described as "Statutory Return").

4. The Adjudication notices were issued by this office on 07.11.2019 to the Company and its directors for non-filing of Statutory Returns. Notice issued to the company was returned back with postal remark "Door locked", and its four Directors, 1. Smt. Vijayalekshmi Parayil Narayana Pillai, 2. Smt. Vimala Radhakrishnan Nair, 3. Shri. Satishchandran Ramchandran Pillai and 4. Smt. Sreemathy Pillai Parameshwaran have received the notice, and the notice issued to the remaining directors were returned back to this office with postal remarks. Namely, 1. Ms. Komala Unnikrishnan- Addressee left present address not known, 2. Shri. Gopalakrishnan Kuttappan- No such named person at this house 3. Shri. Muraleedharan Pillai- Addressee expired. The company has however not filed Statutory Returns for which SCN was issued. Further, in response to Summon issued to the company and its all directors, under Rule 3(7) of the Companies (Adjudication of Penalties) Rules, 2014, only three directors received the Summon and three directors, viz., Smt. Vimala Radhakrishnan Nair, Smt. Sreemathy Pillai Parameshwaran and Smt. Vijayalekshmi Parayil Narayana Pillai (through her authorized representative Ms. Jeslin Dolly Mathews) were present in this office on 30.12.2019. The Summon issued to the company and remaining directors were returned and back to this office with the postal remark viz., 1. M/s Grihachand Nidhi Limited- Door locked, 2. M/s. Komala Unnikrishnan—Addressee left present address not known, 3. Shri. Gopalakrishnan Kuttappan – No such named person at this house, 4. Shri. Muraleedharan Pillai – Addressee expired and 5. Shri. Satishchandran Ramchandran Pillai – Addressee refused.

# 5. Provisions of the Companies Act, 2013

Sub-Section(1) of Section 92 of the Act provides that every company shall prepare an Annual Return in the prescribed form and sub-section (4) of Section 92 of the Act provides that every company shall file with the Registrar a copy of the Annual Return, within sixty days from the date on which the Annual General Meeting is held or where no Annual General Meeting is held in any year within Sixty days from the date on which the Annual General Meeting should have been held together with the statement specifying the reasons for not holding the Annual General Meeting, with such fees or additional fees, as applicable.

- 6. Every company shall prepare a return (hereinafter referred to as the annual return) in the prescribed form containing the particulars as they stood on the close of the financial year regarding—
  - (a) its registered office, principal business activities, particulars of its holding, subsidiary and associate companies;
  - (b) its shares, debentures and other securities and shareholding pattern;
  - (c) its indebtedness;
  - (d) its members and debenture-holders along with changes therein since the close of the previous financial year;
  - (e) its promoters, directors, key managerial personnel along with changes therein since the close of the previous financial year;
  - (f) meetings of members or a class thereof, Board and its various committeesalong with attendance details;
  - (g) remuneration of directors and key managerial personnel;
  - (h) penalty or punishment imposed on the company, its directors or officers and details of compounding of offences and appeals made against such penalty or punishment;
  - (i) matters relating to certification of compliances, disclosures as may be prescribed;
  - (j) details, as may be prescribed, in respect of shares held by or on behalf of The Foreign Institutional Investors indicating their names, addresses, countries of incorporation, registration and percentage of shareholding held by them; and
  - (k) such other matters as may be prescribed,
    - and signed by a director and the company secretary, or where there is no company secretary, by a company secretary in practice:
- 7. Sub-section (5) of Section 92 of the Act provides that if any company fails to file its annual return under sub-section (4) of Section 92 of the Act, before the expiry of the period specified therein, such company and its every officer who is in default shall be liable to a penalty of fifty thousand rupees and in case of continuing failure, with further penalty of one hundred rupees for each day during which such failure continues, subjects to a maximum of five lakh rupees.

- 8. Sub-section (1) of Section 129 of the Act provides that company shall prepare a financial statement complying with the accounting standards notified under Section 133 of the Act and sub section (2) of Section 129 of the Act provides that at every annual general meeting of a company, the Board of Directors of the company shall lay before such meeting financial statements for the financial year. Further sub-section (1) of Section 137 of the Act provides that a copy of financial statements, including consolidated financial statement, if any along with all the documents which are required to be or attached to such financial statements under this Act, duly adopted at the annual general meeting of the company, shall be filed with the Registrar within thirty days of the date of annual general meeting in such manner, with such fees or additional fees, as applicable.
- 9. Sub-section (3) of Section 137 of the Act provides that if a company fails to file the copy of financial statements under sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) of Section 137, as the case may be, before the expiry of the period specified therein, the company shall be liable to a penalty of one thousand rupees for every day during which the failure continues but which shall not be more than ten lakh rupees, and the Managing Director and Chief Financial Officer of the company, if any, and, in the absence of the Managing Director and the Chief Financial Officer, any other Director who is charged by the Board with the responsibility of complying with the provisions of this section, and in the absence of any such director, all the directors of the company, shall be liable to a penalty of one lakh rupees and in case of continuing failure with further penalty of one hundred rupees for each day after the first during which such failure continues, subject to a maximum of five lakh rupees.

### ORDER

10. The Company and its Directors have not filed Annual Return and Financial Statement pursuant to sub-section (4) of Section 92 and Sub-section (1) of Section 137 of the Act, for financial years ending 31.03.2017 and 31.03.2018 respectively, thereby attracting penal provisions under Sub-Section (5) of Section 92 and Sub-section (3) of Section 137 of the Act respectively. The offence is of serious nature since non-filing of Annual Accounts by the Company has placed itself out of reach of stakeholders/regulatory Authorities and others who have interest in the company.

The object of filing of Annual Return of company in MCA Portal is in the public interest, to enable the investor, public and whosoever interested in the company can access the fundamental information about the company and its management. Non-filing of this statutory return is not only violation of the

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provisions of the Act, but result in denial of information to the various stakeholders/ public in general.

The object of filing of audited Financial Statements of a company in MCA Portal is to enable the interested public/investors/statutory agencies to access and know about the company's financial state of affairs. The audited financial statements of a company so filed shall give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company. The said statements once filed become public documents and the interested public can access the said statements through MCA website to know the financial state of affairs of the company as on that date.

11. Having considered the facts and circumstances of the case of default by company's in filing the Statutory Returns and also after taking into account the facts narrated in Para 4 &10 supra, the Adjudicating Officer do hereby impose penalty on Company and its Directors as per Table Below for violation of Section 92 and 137 of the Companies Act, 2013 for the Financial years ending 31.03.2017 and 31.03.2018, respectively. The Adjudicating Officer is of the opinion that penalty is commensurate with the aforesaid default committed by the Noticee's as the company and its directors have committed a default in non-filing the Statutory Returns and liable to pay penalty as per Table below:-

Document required to be filed	No. of days Default*	Penalty imposed on company/Directors	FY	First Default	Document required to be filed	No. of days Default*
Annual Returns U/s 92(4) of the Companies Act, 2013	461 days for FY 31.03.2017 & 433days for FY 31.03.2018	On company	31.03.2017	50,000	100x461=46,100	96,100
			31.03.2018	50,000	100x433=43,300	93,300
		M/s.Komala Unnikrishnan	31.03.2017	50,000	100x461=46,100	96,100
			31.03.2018	50,000	100x433=43,300	93,300
		Smt. Vijayalekshmi parayil Narayana Pillai	31.03.2017	50,000	100x461=46,100	96,100
		Smt. Vimala Radhakrishnan Nair	31.03.2017	50,000	100x461=46,100	96,100
			31.03.2018	50,000	100x433=43,300	93,300
		Shri. Gopalakrishnan Kuttappan	31.03.2017	50,000	100×461=46,100	96,100
			31.03.2018	50,000	100x433=43,300	93,300
		Shri. Muraleedharan	31.03.2017	50,000	100x461=46,100	96,100
		Pillai	31.03.2018	50,000	100x433=43,300	93,300
		Shri. Satishchandran Ramchandran Pillai	31.03.2017	50,000	100x461=46,100	96,100
		Smt. Sreemathy	31.03.2017	50,000	100x461=46,100	96,100
		Parameshwaran	31.03.2018	50,000	100x433=43,300	93,300
Financial Statement U/s. 137 of the	461 days for 31.03.2017 & 31.03.2018	On company For	31.03.2017	1000X461=461000		4,61,000
			31.03.2018	1000X461=461000		4,61,000
		M/s.Komala	31.03.2017	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1,46,100
		Unnikrishnan	31.03.2018	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1,46,100

Companies Act, 2013	Smt. Vijayalekshmi parayil Narayana Pillai	31.03.2017	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1,46,100
	Smt. Vimala	31.03.2017	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1,46,100
	Radhakrishnan Nair	31.03.2018	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1,46,100
	Shri.	31.03.2017	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1,46,100
-	Gopalakrishnan Kuttappan	31.03.2018	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1,46,100
	Shri. Muraleedharan	31.03.2017	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1,46,100
	Pillai	31.03.2018	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1,46,100
	Shri. Satishchandran Ramchandran Pillai	31.03.2017	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1,46,100
	Smt. Sreemathy	31.03.2017	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1 46 100
	Pillai Parameshwaran	31.03.2018	1,00,000	100x461=46,100	1,46,100 1,46,100

- No. of days have been calculated from 2.11.2018 to 05.02.2020 for the financial year 31.03.2017 and 30.11.2018 to 05.02.2020 for the financial year 31.03.2018 for Annual Return.
- No. of days have been calculated from 02.11.2018 to 05.02.2020 date of order i.e. 05.02.2020 for Financial Statement for both the Financial Years 31.03.2017 and 31.03.2018.
- 12. The company and its directors are hereby directed to rectify the default immediately from the date of receipt of copy of this order.
- 13. The Penalty imposed shall be paid through the Ministry of Corporate Affairs portal only.
- 14.Appeal, if any against this order may be filed in writing with the Regional Director, Southern Region, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, 5<sup>th</sup> floor, Shastri Bhavan, 26, Haddows Road, Chennai 600 006 within a period of sixty days from the date of receipt of this order, in Form ADJ setting forth the grounds of appeal and shall
- 15.Be accompanied by a certified copy of this order (Section 454 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (adjudicating of Penalties) Rules, 2014).
- 16. Your attention is also invited to Section 454(8) of the Act regarding consequences of non-payment of penalty

In terms of the provisions of sub-Rule (9) of Rule 3 of the Companies (Adjudication of Penalties) Rules, 2014, a copy of this order is being sent to Company M/s. GRIHACHAND NIDHI LIMITED, Address 318AB, NSR Road, Saibaba Colony, Coimbatore - 641011, 2. M/s. KOMALA UNNIKRISHNAN, Director, D\o PARAMESWARANNAIR, Mullasseril (H), Choorakode, Adoor-691523, 3. Smt. VIJAYALEKSHMI PARAYIL NARAYANA PILLAI, Director , D\o NARAYANA PILLAI, Nilackal House, Pennukkara P.O, Ala (Part), Alappuzha-689520, 4. Smt. VIMALA RADHAKRISHNAN NAIR, Director, D\o PARAMESWARAN PILLAI VASUDEVA KURUP, Abhiramam, Vazhuvadymavelikkara, Puthiyacavu, Alappuzha-690102, 5. Shri. GOPALAKRISHNAN KUTTAPPAN, Director, S\o KUTTAPPAN NAIR, Koyyattu House, Mangaram, Pandalam, Pathanamthitta-698501,

6. Shri. MURALEEDHARAN PILLAI, Director, D\o GOPALAN NAIR KRISHNAPILLAI, Marukara house, Poovathoor P.O., Koipurampathanamthitta-689531, 7. Shri. SATISHCHANDRAN RAMCHANDRAN PILLAI, Director, s\o RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI, Ampilimuttam, Parakkuttom P.O, Adoor-691551 8. Smt. SREEMATHY PILLAI PARAMESHWARAN, Director, D\o RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI, Sankaramangalath, Kattachira, Pallickal P.O, Bharanikkavu-690503.

Also to:-1. Regional Director, Southern Region, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Chennai 2. Deputy Director, Legal Section, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 'A' Wing, Shastri Bhawan, Dr. Rajedraprasad. Road, New Delhi-110001, 3. E Governance Cell, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Shastri Bhavan, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, A wing, Dr. Rajedraprasad Road, New Delhi - 110001.

Place: Coimbatore Dated the 5 FEB 2020 (C.S. GOVINDARAJAN)
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TAMILNADU, COIMBATORE