IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 3RD DAY OF AUGUST, 2021

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE Mr. JUSTICE ARAVIND KUMAR

AND.

THE HON'BLE Mr. JUSTICE PRADEEP SINGH YERUR

COMMERCIAL APPEAL No.71 OF 2021 C/W COMMERCIAL APPEAL NO.84 OF 2021

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BETWEEN:

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- 6. VALLERU SARITHA
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(BY SRI M.K.VENKATEARAMANA, ADVOCATE FOR R-3 & R-5 , SRI M.S.VENUGOPAL, ADVOCATE FOR R-2, NOTICE TO R-6 TO R-8 D/W, R-1 SERVED AND UNREPRESENTED, R-4 SERVED AND UNREPRESENTED, R-7 SERVED AND UNREPRESENTED R-9 SERVED AND UNREPRESENTED, R-10 SERVED AND UNREPRESENTED & R-11 SERVED AND UNREPRESENTED)

THIS APPEAL IS FILED UNDER ORDER VII RULE 1 AND 2 R/W SECTION 26 OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 1908 R/W COMMERCIAL COURTS ACT 2015 PRAYING TO SET ASIDE THE ORDER DATED 06/04/2021 PASSED ON I.A.NO.1 IN COM.O.S.NO.352/2020 PASSED BY THE COURT OF LXXXIII ADDL.CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE (COMMERCIAL COURT) BENGALURU IN SO FAR AS REJECTING THE APPLICATION FOR ATTACHMENT BEFORE JUDGMENT IN RESPECT OF APPLICATION SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY OF THE $2^{\rm ND}$ DEFENDANT AND APPLICATION SCHEDULE 'C 'PROPERTY OF THE $5^{\rm TH}$ DEFENDANT AND ALLOW I.A.NO.1 AS PRAYED FOR AND PASS SUCH OTHER AND FURTHER ORDERS AS DEEMED FIT IN THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CASE AND ETC.,

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THIS APPEAL IS FILED UNDER SECTION 13 (IA) OF COMMERCIAL COURTS APPEAL R/W ORDER XLIII RULE 1 (R) OF THE CPC, PRAYING TO SET ASIDE THE ORDER DATED 06/04/2021 PASSED ON I.A.NO.2 IN COM.O.S.NO.352/2020 PASSED BY THE COURT OF LXXXIII ADDL.CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE (COMMERCIAL COURT) BENGALURU AND ALLOW I.A NO.2 AS PRAYED FOR AND PASS FOR AND PASS SUCH OTHER AND FURTHER ORDERS AS DEEMED FIT IN THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES O THE CASE AND ETC.,

THESE APPEALS ARE COMING ON FOR ORDERS, THIS DAY, **ARAVIND KUMAR J.,** DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

JUDGMENT

These two appeals are directed against the order dated 06.04.2021 passed in Commercial Suit No.352 of 2020, wherein interlocutory applications IA Nos.1 and 2 filed under order XXXVIII Rule 5 r/w 151 of CPC and under order XXXIX Rules 1 & 2 r/w 151 of CPC respectively, which came to be allowed in part / dismissed.

2. In IA No.1/2021 plaintiffs sought for an order for attachment against defendant No.2 in respect of schedule A & B properties and against defendant No.5 in respect of Schedule C property. Whereas in IA No.2/2021 an order of temporary injunction was sought by plaintiff to

restrain defendant No.2 from alienating or encumbering Schedule A and B Properties and to restrain defendant No.5 from alienating or encumbering Schedule C & D properties.

- 3. Insofar as IA No.1/2021 is concerned, trial court by its order dated 06.04.2021 which is under challenge has allowed the same in part and directed the defendant to furnish security for Rs.7,69,36,876/- within one month from the date of order and on failure of the defendant No.2 to furnish the security within one month, Schedule B property has been ordered to be attached. Insofar as prayer for attachment of Schedule A property is concerned, same has been rejected.
- 4. Plaintiff being aggrieved by non-granting of an order of attachment in respect of Schedule A property, is before this Court in ComAP No.71/2021. Whereas ComAP No. 84/2021 has been preferred by the plaintiff being aggrieved by the order of trial court rejecting the application for temporary injunction sought for against

defendant Nos.2 & 5 in respect of Schedule A and D properties.

- 5. Learned counsel appearing for defendant No.2 before the trial court, namely, Sri M.S. Venugopal, submits that defendant No.2 and his wife, who own Schedule B property would file an affidavit undertaking that they would not sell or encumber Schedule B property during the pendency of the suit. He would also hasten to add that in respect of Schedule A property defendant No.2 also undertakes that he will not sell or encumber the same and an affidavit to the said effect would be filed within ten days from today. He would also submit that in the light of the said undertaking given the order of attachment be modified.
- 6. Sri Venkataramana.M.K., learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent Nos.3 to 5 submits that defendant No.5 (respondent No.5) would undertake that insofar as Schedule C property is concerned, he owns only 50% right, title and interest and to the said extent of 50%

of right in Schedule C property, he would undertake not to alienate or encumber the said property during the pendency of the suit. He would submit that Schedule D property is mortgaged to Canara Bank. He would further state that Schedule D property is exclusively owned by defendant No.5 (respondent No.5) and said property would not be sold or encumbered during the pendency of the suit and this undertaking is already given before the trial court. He would also submit that if any further encumbrance would be created, defendant No.5 would make necessary application before the trial court seeking such permission.

- 7. We make it expressly clear that in the event such application is filed, trial court would be at liberty to consider the same after hearing both the parties and pass orders in accordance with law. However, we make it clear that we are not expressing any opinion in that regard and contentions of both the parties are kept open.
- 8. Learned counsel appearing for defendant No.5 submits that an affidavit to the said effect shall be filed

within 10 days from today. His submission is placed on record.

- 9. In the light of the aforesaid facts and undertakings given by learned counsel appearing for respondent Nos.2 to 5, continuation of these appeals would not be warranted. We further clarify that attachment order issued is modified to the extent of undertaking given by the defendant No.2 insofar as Schedule B property and same shall stand modified.
- 10. Accordingly, these two appeals stands disposed of.

We make it further clear that in the event of undertaking by way of an affidavit is not filed within ten (10) days from today, as undertaken before this Court, appellant will be at liberty to seek revival of these two appeals.

Trial court shall make all endeavor for expeditious disposal of the suit, subject to both parties co-operating with the trial court.

All pending applications stands consigned to records.

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