## BEFORE THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA

## SETTLEMENT ORDER IN SETTLEMENT APPLICATION NO. 6785 OF 2022 FILED BY BABASAHEB NEELKANTH KALYANI [PAN: ABIPK5782A] IN THE MATTER OF BF INVESTMENT LIMITED

- 1. Mr. Babasaheb Neelkanth Kalyani ("Applicant") had filed a *suo motu* Settlement Application ("Application") in terms of the SEBI (Settlement Proceedings) Regulations, 2018 ("Settlement Regulations") proposing to settle, neither admitting nor denying the findings of fact and conclusions of law, through a Settlement Order, the enforcement proceedings that may be initiated against him, for the alleged violation of regulations 30(2) and 30(3) of the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011 ("SAST Regulations, 2011").
- 2. The applicant is a promoter of BF Investment Limited ("the Company"). The applicant has stated that he was informed that Kalyani Exports and Investments Private Limited and Aboli Investment Private Limited had qualified as part of the promoter group of BF Investment Limited in the year 2010, however they were included in the shareholding pattern filed by the Company only from the quarter ended December 31, 2021. Accordingly, the annual disclosures filed by the applicant under regulations 30(2) and 30(3) of the SAST Regulations, 2011 for the Financial Years (FYs) 2010-11 to 2021-22 were incorrect. Subsequently, on April 04, 2022 the applicant has filed revised disclosures under regulations 30(2) and 30(3) of SAST Regulations, 2011, for the FYs 2010-11 to 2021-22, including names of Kalyani Exports and Investments Private Limited and Aboli Investment Private Limited in the list of promoters.
- 3. Pursuant to the receipt of the application, the authorized representatives of the applicant had a meeting with the Internal Committee of SEBI on July 27, 2022. The Committee deliberated on the aspect of the incorrect disclosures and their implications thereof and suggested the terms of the settlement. Thereafter, the applicant vide e-mail dated July 29,

2022, proposed revised settlement terms to settle the proceedings that may be initiated against him.

- 4. The High Powered Advisory Committee ("**HPAC**") in its meeting held on September 22, 2022, considered the revised settlement terms proposed by the applicant and recommended the case for settlement upon payment of Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakhs only). The applicant informed about the remittance of the aforesaid settlement amount on October 14, 2022 and SEBI has confirmed the credit of the same.
- 5. In view of the above, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 15JB read with Section 19 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 and in terms of Regulations 23 read with Regulation 28 of the Settlement Regulations, it is hereby ordered that the proceedings that may have been initiated for the alleged defaults as mentioned at paragraph 1 above are settled *qua* the Applicant as per the following terms:
  - *i.* this Order disposes of the proceedings that may be initiated for the said default as mentioned above, in respect of the Applicant;
  - ii. SEBI shall not initiate enforcement action against the Applicant for the said default;
     and
  - *iii.* passing of this Order is without prejudice to the right of SEBI under Regulation 28 of the Settlement Regulations to take enforcement actions including commencing proceedings against the Applicant, if SEBI finds that:
    - (a) any representation made by the Applicant in the present settlement proceedings is subsequently found to be untrue;
    - (b) the Applicant has breached any of the clauses/ conditions of undertakings/ waivers filed during the present settlement proceedings; and
    - (c) there was a discrepancy while arriving at the settlement terms.
- 6. This Settlement Order is passed on this \_\_\_\_21st\_\_ day of October, 2022 and shall come into force with immediate effect.

7. In terms of Regulation 25 of the Settlement Regulations, a copy of this Order shall be sent to the Applicant and shall also be published on the website of SEBI.

Sd/- Sd/-

ANANTA BARUA WHOLE TIME MEMBER

ASHWANI BHATIA WHOLE TIME MEMBER