## BEFORE THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA, MUMBAI

### **CONSENT ORDER**

# ON THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY PRATIK STOCK VISION PVT. LTD.

#### IN THE MATTER OF GLOBAL TELESYSTEMS LTD.

### (CONSENT APPLICATION NO. 240 OF 2007.)

- 1. SEBI conducted investigation into the alleged illegal carry forward transactions in the shares of Global Telesystems Ltd. (GTL) during the period September 2000 to February 2001. The investigation, prima facie, revealed that some of such transactions were executed by Pratik Stock Vision Pvt. Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "the applicant") having Corporate Office at 21, Khatau Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 40/48 Bank Street, Fort, Mumbai- 400001, a Stock Broker of National Stock Exchange of India Ltd. with SEBI Registration No. INB230754839 (Cash) and INF230754839 (Derivatives) and also a Depository Participant with SEBI Registration No. IN-DP-NSDL-171-2000 and IN-DP-CDSL-107-2000. It was alleged that the applicant purchased and sold 40,000 shares of GTL in an off-market deal. It was alleged that no deliveries were effected against these transactions either by sellers or the purchasers and no consideration was paid. The applicant was, thus, alleged to have violated Regulation 3, 4 and 6 of the SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices Relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 1995 and Regulation 7 of the SEBI (Stock Brokers and Sub-Brokers) Regulations, 1992 and Section 13 of the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956.
- Pursuant to the investigation, SEBI initiated proceedings under Section 11(4) and 11B
  of Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 read with Section 23 of

Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 and Regulation 11(4) read with Regulation 12 of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices Relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 1995. It issued Show Cause Notice Ref. No. IES/ID5/RM/11003/2003 dated June 5, 2003 to the applicant. However, the applicant did not submit any reply to the said show cause notice dated June 5, 2003. Further, though several opportunities were granted to the applicant for personal hearing before the Whole Time Member, SEBI, the applicant failed to avail the opportunities of hearing granted to it.

- 3. While the above proceedings were in progress, the applicant vide letter dated October 27, 2007 proposed settlement of the said proceedings through a consent order in terms of SEBI Circular No. EFD/ED/Cir-1/2007 dated April 20, 2007. The applicant proposed revised consent terms vide its letter dated December 18, 2008. The High Powered Advisory Committee constituted by SEBI considered the consent terms proposed by the applicant and recommended the case for settlement. Accordingly, the applicant shall pay Rs.1,25,000/- (Rupees one lakh and twenty five thousand only) towards settlement charges. SEBI accepted the said recommendations and communicated the same to the applicant vide letter dated March 12, 2009.
- 4. Accordingly, the applicant, without admitting or denying the charges, has remitted a sum of Rs.1,25,000/- (Rupees one lakh and twenty five thousand only) towards settlement charges vide demand draft No.709760 dated March 23, 2009 drawn on Union Bank of India payable at Mumbai.
- 5. In view of the above, it is hereby ordered that this consent order disposes of the said proceedings initiated vide Show Cause Notice Ref. No. IES/ID5/RM/11003/2003 dated June 5, 2003 pending against the applicant.
- 6. This order is without prejudice to the right of SEBI to initiate enforcement actions, including commencing or reopening of the proceedings pending against applicant, if:
  a. any representation made by the applicant in this consent proceeding is subsequently discovered to be untrue; or

b. the applicant breaches any of the consent terms or undertakings filed in this consent proceeding.

7. A copy of this order shall be served on the National Stock Exchange of India Limited, National Securities Depository Limited and Central Depository Services (India) Limited of which the applicant is a broker and depository participant, as the case may be.

8. This consent order is passed on this day, the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2009 and shall come into force with immediate effect.

M. S. SAHOO WHOLE IME MEMBER

K. M. ABRAHAM WHOLE TIME MEMBER