

**BEFORE THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA
MUMBAI**

CONSENT ORDER

**ON THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY
SHARAD CHHOTABHAI PATEL**

**IN THE MATTER OF
SHREE RAMA MULTI-TECH LTD.**

(CONSENT APPLICATION No. 109/2007)

1. Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) had conducted investigations into unusual trading in the shares of Shree Rama Multi-Tech Ltd. ("Company") for the period July 19, 2000 - September 12, 2000. The investigations, *prima facie*, revealed that Shri Sharad Chhotabhai Patel (hereinafter referred to as applicant), along with the directors of the Company, had indulged in creation of artificial volumes and increase in the price of the shares of the Company.
2. Pursuant to the said investigations, SEBI initiated proceedings under Section 11 and 11B of the SEBI Act, 1992 read with Regulation 11 of the SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to the Securities Market) Regulations 1995 against the applicant. It issued a show cause notice dated October 14, 2003 alleging that the applicant had violated provisions of Regulation 4 of the SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices) Regulations, 1995. It passed an order dated September 06, 2004 restraining the Company and its directors, including the applicant, from accessing the securities market for a period of five years. Aggrieved by the said order, the applicant filed an appeal before Hon'ble SAT vide order dated August 01, 2007, which remanded the matter back to SEBI with a direction to the appellants to file fresh replies to the abovementioned show cause notice.
3. However, instead of filing the reply to the show cause notice dated October 14, 2003, the applicant, vide letter dated August 27, 2007, proposed settlement of the said proceedings through a consent order in terms of Circular No. EFD/ED/Cir-01 dated April 20, 2007. Vide letter dated September 9, 2008 the applicant revised the consent terms proposing to pay Rs.1,25,000/- as settlement charges and undertaking to undergo voluntary debarment for 18 months from the securities market.
4. High Powered Advisory Committee (HPAC) appointed by SEBI considered the consent terms proposed by the applicant and recommended the case for settlement

on the terms proposed by the applicant. The said terms of settlement were accepted by SEBI and communicated to the applicant vide letter dated October 21, 2008.

5. For the sole purpose of settling the matter on hand and without admission or denial of guilt on the part of the applicant to the findings of fact or conclusion of the law, the applicant has remitted a sum of Rs.1,25,000/- (Rupees one lakh and twenty five thousand only) vide demand draft No. 231615 dated October 27, 2008 drawn on HDFC, Mumbai.
6. In view of the above, it is hereby ordered that this consent order disposes of the said proceedings under Section 11 and 11B of the SEBI Act, 1992 against the applicant in the matter of Shree Rama Multi-Tech Ltd. It is also ordered that the applicant shall not buy, sell or deal in securities, directly or indirectly, for a period of 18 months from the date of this consent order.
7. This order is without prejudice to the right of SEBI to take enforcement actions, including commencing / reopening of the proceedings pending against the applicant, if:
 - a. any representation made by the applicant in this consent proceeding is subsequently discovered to be untrue;
 - b. the applicant breaches any of the consent terms or undertakings filed in this consent proceedings.
8. The order shall be served on all recognized stock exchanges and depositories to ensure that applicant, Shri Sharad Chhotabhai Patel (PAN No. AAMPP7978E) is not allowed to buy, sell or deal in securities market, directly or indirectly, for a period of 18 months from the date of this order.
9. This consent order is passed on this day 28th November, 2008 and shall come into force with immediate effect.

Sd/-
Dr. T. C. Nair
Whole Time Member

Sd/-
M. S. Sahoo
Whole Time Member