NATIONAL COMPANY LAW APPELLATE TRIBUNAL, NEW DELHI Company Appeal (AT) (Insolvency) No. 213 of 2018

IN THE MATTER OF:

V. R. Hemantraj

...Appellant

Vs

Stanbic Bank Ghana Ltd. & Anr.

....Respondents

Present:

For Appellant: Mr. Mohan Parasaran, Sr. Advocate with

Mr. Pawan Thabakh, Ms. Radhika Bali, Ms. Shruti Iyer, Mr. Anandh K. and Ms. Aditi Dani,

Advocates.

For Respondents: Mr. Anirudh Wadhwa, Mr. Anirudh Krishnan, Mr.

Hiresh Chowdhry, Mr. Vipul Kumar, Advocates for

R-1.

Ms. Deepa V. Ramani, Resolution Professional.

ORDER

31.07.2018: The main plea taken by the Appellant is that the Respondent do not come within the meaning of 'Financial Creditor' as defined under Section 5(7) R/w (8) of the I&B Code. However, from the Medium Term Loan letter dated 24th February, 2012 we find out that 'M/s Rajkumar Impex Ghana Ltd.', a subsidiary of the Corporate Debtor was granted Medium Term Loan to the extent of US\$ 5,300,000.00/- (Five Million Three Hundred Thousand United States Dollars) by 'Stanbic Bank Ghana Ltd.' (Respondent). It is not in dispute that the Appellant – 'M/s Rajkumar Impex Ltd.', the holding company of 'M/s Rajkumar Impex Ghana Ltd.' has executed guarantee in favour of 'Stanbic Bank Ghana Ltd.' and became its 'Corporate Guarantor'. Therefore, *prima facie* it appears that on invocation of guarantee the Respondent Bank comes within the meaning of 'Financial Creditor' as defined under Section 5(7) R/w Section 5(8)(h).

However, with a view to give further opportunity to learned senior counsel for the Appellant, as requested for, we adjourn the case.

Post the case 'for orders' on **10th August**, **2018.** Appeal may be disposed of on the next date.

[Justice S. J. Mukhopadhaya] Chairperson

[Justice Bansi Lal Bhat] Member (Judicial)

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