IN THE NATIONAL COMPANY LAW TRIBUNAL BENGALURU BENCH

I.A. No.84 of 2019 in C.P. (IB) No.66/BB/2017

<u>U/s 12(2) of IBC, 2016</u>

<u>R/w Regulation 40 of IBBI (IRP for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016</u>

In the matter of:

Shri Sanjay Kumar Mishra 16th Floor, Tower II, Indiabulls Finance Centre, SB Marg, Elphinstone (W), Mumbai – 400 013.

Applicant

AND

M/s. Axis Bank Limited Regd. Off: Trishul, 3rd Floor, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad – 380 006.

Financial Creditor

AND

Lotus Shopping Centres Pvt. Ltd. Regd. Off: # 15-8-441/50, Shop No.46, 1st Floor, Yenepoya Mall, Kadri Road, Mangalore Dakshina Kannada – 575 003.

Corporate Debtor

Date of Order: 20th February, 2019

Coram:

- 1. Hon'ble Shri Rajeswara Rao Vittanala, Member (Judicial)
- 2. Hon'ble Dr. Ashok Kumar Mishra, Member (Technical)

Parties/Counsels Present:

For Financial Creditor:

Ms. Tanvi Kishore and Shri Sidharth Tiwary

For the RP

Shri Milind Dange

Resolution Professional:

Shri Sanjay Kumar Mishra

ORDER

Per: Rajeswara Rao Vittanala, Member (J)

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- 1. I.A. No.84 of 2019 in C.P. (IB) No.66/BB/2017 is filed by Shri Sanjay Kumar Sinha, Applicant herein, is the Resolution Professional of the Corporate Debtor, U/s 12(2) of the IBC, 2016 R/w Regulation 40 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, by inter alia, seeking to extend period for completion of the Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (CIRP) for a further period of ninety (90) days from February 26, 2019, etc.
- 2. Heard Ms.Tanvi Kishore along with Shri Sidharth Tiwary, learned Counsel for the Petitioner, Shri Milind Dange, learned Counsel for the Resolution Professional and Shri Sanjay Kumar Mishra, Resolution Professional.
- 3. Learned Counsel for the Applicant submits that by an Order dated 30.08.2018, the Hon'ble Tribunal admitted the application filed by the Financial Creditor U/s 7 of the Code for initiation of CIRP of the Corporate Debtor, vide an order dated 24.10.2018, by appointing the applicant as IRP to conduct the CIRP of the Corporate Debtor.
- 4. It is submitted that the statutory period of 180 days of the CIRP period is expiring on 26.02.2019. The three prospective resolution applicants have informed the Committee of Creditors (CoC) about their willingness to submit their respective resolution plans and have sought an extension of time to do so as the last date of submission of the resolution plans was 31.01.2019 for conducting due diligence. Accordingly, during the 8th meeting of the CoC held on 30.01.2019, the time for submission of the resolution plans was extended till 11.02.2019.
- 5. The Applicant further submits that the CIRP has reached an advanced stage and in order to receive resolution plans from prospective resolution applicants and to evaluate the same for approval thereof, it is imperative that the time period for completion of CIRP ought to be extended for a further period of 90 (ninety) days from 26.02.2019. The CoC conducted the 8th Meeting on 30.01.2019 and passed a resolution by requisite majority of voting



shares and thereby instructed the Applicant to seek extension of the CIRP period for a further period of ninety (90) days from 26th February, 2019.

- 6. We have carefully perused the pleadings of the parties and also Minutes of the 8th Meeting of the CoC conducted by the Resolution Professional along with all material papers and the extant provision of the Code. We are satisfied that the instant CIRP cannot be completed within a period of 180 days and thus it is just and proper to grant further extension of time as prayed for.
- 7. In view of the above facts and circumstances of the case, by exercising powers conferred on the Adjudicating Authority U/s 60(5)(c) of the I&B Code, 2016, I.A.No.84 of 2019 in C.P. (IB) No.66/BB/2017 is disposed of by granting extension of time for a further period of 90 (ninety) days starting from 26th February, 2019 in order to conclude the CIRP initiated in respect of the Corporate Debtor vide Order dated 30th August, 2018. The Resolution Professional is also directed to expedite the process of CIRP as expeditious as possible and in any case well before the expiry of the extension of this time.

(ASHOK KUMAR MISHRA) MEMBER, TECHNICAL (RAJESWARA RAO VITTANALA) MEMBER, JUDICIAL

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