

BEFORE THE NATIONAL COMPANY LAW TRIBUNAL,  
BENCH, AT MUMBAI

COMPANY APPLICATION NO. 184 OF 2017.

In the matter of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of  
2013);

AND

In the matter of Sections 230 to 232 and other  
applicable provisions of the Companies Act,  
2013 and Rules framed thereunder as in force  
from time to time;

AND

In the matter of Scheme of Amalgamation of AR  
SEEDS AND TRADING PRIVATE LIMITED, the  
Transferor Company with SUNGRO SEEDS  
PRIVATE LIMITED, the Transferee Company.

SUNGRO SEEDS PRIVATE LIMITED, a )  
Company incorporated under the )  
Companies Act, 1956 having its )  
Registered office at 19, Raj Mahal, 84, )  
Veer Nariman Road, Mumbai - 400020. ) ...Applicant Company.

**Called for Notice of Admission:**

Rajesh Shah, Advocate with Ahmed M. Chunawala, Advocate; i/b Rajesh  
Shah & Co., Advocates for the Applicant.

Coram: SH. B.S.V. Prakash Kumar Hon'ble Member (J) and SH. V.  
Nallasenapathy Hon'ble Member (T)

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2017

## MINUTES OF THE ORDER

UPON the application of the Applicant Company above named by Company's Notice of Admission AND UPON HEARING Mr. Rajesh Shah instructed by Rajesh Shah & Co., Advocate for the Applicant Company, AND UPON READING the Application along with the Summons for Direction/Notice of Admission dated 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017 of Mr. S.S.Agrawal, Director of the Applicant Company, in support of Company Summons for Directions along with Application and the Exhibits therein referred to, **IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. A meeting of the Equity Shareholders of the Applicant Company be convened and held at 19, Raj Mahal, 84, Veer Nariman Road, Mumbai - 400020, on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 at 12.00 noon, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, approving, with or without modification(s), the proposed Scheme of Amalgamation of AR SEEDS AND TRADING PRIVATE LIMITED, the Transferor Company with SUNGRO SEEDS PRIVATE LIMITED, the Transferee Company.
2. At least 30 clear days before the said meeting of the Equity Shareholders of the Applicant Company to be held as aforesaid, a notice convening the said Meeting at the place, day, date and time aforesaid, together with a copy of the Scheme, a copy of the Explanatory Statement required to be sent under Section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the prescribed Form of Proxy, shall be sent by Registered Post or by Air Mail or by courier or by speed post or by hand delivery to each of the Equity Shareholders of the Applicant Company at their respective registered or last known addresses or by e-mail to the registered e-mail address of the Equity Shareholders as per the records of the Applicant Company.
3. At least 30 clear days before the Meeting of the Equity Shareholders of the Applicant Company to be held as aforesaid, a notice convening the said Meeting, at the place, date and time aforesaid and stating that copies of the Scheme of Amalgamation and the Statement required to be furnished pursuant to Section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the form of Proxy can be obtained free of charge at the Registered Office of

the Applicant Company as aforesaid and shall also be published once each in 'Free Press Journal' in English and 'Navshakti' in Marathi.

4. The Applicant Company undertakes to:

- i. issue Notice convening meeting of the equity shareholders as per Form No. CAA.2 (Rule 6) of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016
- ii. issue Statement containing all the particulars as per Section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013;
- iii. issue Form of Proxy as per Form No. MGT-11 (Rule 19) of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014; and
- iv. advertise the Notice convening meeting as per Form No. CAA.2 (Rule 7) the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016.

The undertaking is accepted.

5. Dr. B.R. Barwale, failing whom Mr. Shirish R. Barwale failing whom, Mr. S.S.Agrawal, Directors of the Applicant Company is appointed as the Chairperson for the meeting of Equity Shareholders of the Applicant Company. The Scrutinizer for the meeting shall be Ms. Jephine Angel, Practicing Company Secretary, (Membership No. 29347 and CP No. 10602).
6. The Chairperson appointed for the aforesaid Meeting to issue the notices of the Meeting referred to above. The said Chairperson shall have all powers under the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016 in relation to the conduct of the meeting(s), including for deciding procedural questions that may arise or at any adjournment thereof or any other matter including an amendment to the Scheme or resolution, if any, proposed at the meeting by any person(s).
7. The quorum for the aforesaid meeting of the Equity Shareholders shall be as prescribed under Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.
8. The voting by proxy or authorised representative in case of body corporate be permitted, provided that a proxy in the prescribed form/

authorisation duly signed by the person entitled to attend and vote at the meeting, is filed with the Applicant Company at its Registered Office at '19, Raj Mahal, 84, Veer Nariman Road, Mumbai - 400020', not later than, 48 hours before the aforesaid meeting as required under Rule 6 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016.

9. The value and number of the shares of each member shall be in accordance with the books/ register of the Applicant Company or depository records and where the entries in the books / register / depository records are disputed, the Chairperson of the Meeting shall determine the value for the purpose of the aforesaid meeting and his decision in that behalf would be final.
10. The Chairperson to file an Affidavit not less than seven days before the date fixed for the holding of the meeting and do report this Tribunal that the direction regarding the issue of notices and advertisement have been duly complied with as per Rule 12 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016.
11. The Chairperson to report to this Tribunal, the result of the aforesaid meeting within three working days of the conclusion of the meeting, and the said report shall be verified by his Affidavit as per Rule 14 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016.
12. A Meeting of 1% Cumulative Redeemable Preference Shareholders and 10% Cumulative Redeemable Preference Shareholders respectively of the Applicant Company be convened and held at 19, Raj Mahal, 84, Veer Nariman Road, Mumbai - 400020, on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 at 1.00 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. respectively, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, for approving, with or without modification(s), the proposed Scheme of Amalgamation of AR SEEDS AND TRADING PRIVATE LIMITED, the Transferor Company with SUNGRO SEEDS PRIVATE LIMITED, the Transferee Company.
13. At least 30 clear days before the said Meeting of both the classes of Preference Shareholders of the Applicant Company to be held as

aforesaid, a notice convening the said Meeting at the place, day, date and time aforesaid, together with a copy of the Scheme, a copy of the Explanatory Statement required to be sent under Section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the prescribed Form of Proxy, shall be sent by Registered Post or by Air Mail or by courier or by speed post or by hand delivery to each of the class of the Preference Shareholders of the Applicant Company at their respective registered or last known addresses or by e-mail to the registered e-mail address of the Preference Shareholders of both the classes as per the records of the Applicant Company.

14. At least 30 clear days before the Meeting of both the classes of Preference Shareholders of the Applicant Company to be held as aforesaid, a notice convening the said Meetings, at the place, date and time aforesaid and stating that copies of the Scheme of Amalgamation and the Statement required to be furnished pursuant to Section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013 and that the form of Proxy can be obtained free of charge at the Registered Office of the Applicant Company as aforesaid and shall also be published once each in 'Free Press Journal' in English and 'Navshakti' in Marathi.

15. The Applicant Company undertakes to:

- i. issue Notices convening the Meetings of both the classes of Preference Shareholders as per Form No. CAA.2 (Rule 6) of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016
- ii. issue Statement containing all the particulars as per Section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013;
- iii. issue Form of Proxy as per Form No. MGT-11 (Rule 19) of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014; and
- iv. advertise the Notice convening meeting as per Form No. CAA.2 (Rule 7) the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016.

The undertaking is accepted.

16. Dr. B.R. Barwale, failing whom Mr. Shirish R. Barwale failing whom, Mr. S.S. Agrawal, Directors of the Applicant Company is appointed as the Chairperson for the Meetings of both the classes of Preference Shareholders respectively of the Applicant Company. The Scrutinizer for the meeting shall be Ms. Jephine Angel, Practicing Company Secretary, (Membership No. 29347 and CP No. 10602).
17. The Chairperson appointed for the aforesaid Meeting to issue the notices of the Meeting referred to above. The said Chairperson shall have all powers under the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016 in relation to the conduct of the meeting(s), including for deciding procedural questions that may arise or at any adjournment thereof or any other matter including an amendment to the Scheme or resolution, if any, proposed at the meeting by any person(s).
18. The quorum for the aforesaid Meetings of both the classes of Preference Shareholders shall be as prescribed under Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.
19. The voting by proxy or authorised representative in case of body corporate be permitted, provided that a proxy in the prescribed form/ authorisation duly signed by the person entitled to attend and vote at the meeting, is filed with the Applicant Company at its Registered Office at '19, Raj Mahal, 84, Veer Nariman Road, Mumbai - 400020', not later than, 48 hours before the aforesaid meeting as required under Rule 6 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016.
20. The value and number of the shares of both the classes of Preference Shareholders shall be in accordance with the books/ register of the Applicant Company or depository records and where the entries in the books / register / depository records are disputed, the Chairperson of the Meeting shall determine the value for the purpose of the aforesaid meeting and his decision in that behalf would be final.
21. The Chairperson to file an affidavit not less than seven days before the date fixed for the holding of the meetings and do report to this Tribunal that the direction regarding the issue of notices and advertisement have

been duly complied with as per Rule 12 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016.

22. The Chairperson to report to this Tribunal, the result of the aforesaid meeting within three working days of the conclusion of the meeting, and the said report shall be verified by his Affidavit as per Rule 14 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016.
23. That Counsel for the Applicant submits that since the scheme is an amalgamation between the Applicant Company and their respective shareholders only the Meetings of the Equity Shareholders and both the classes of Preference Shareholders are proposed to be held in accordance with the provisions of Section 230 (1) (b) of the Companies Act, 2013. This bench hereby directs the Applicant Company to issue notice to its Secured creditors as required under section 230 (3) of the Companies Act, 2013 with a direction that they may submit their representations, if any, to the Tribunal and copy of such representations shall simultaneously be served upon the Applicant Company.
24. That Counsel for the Applicant submits that since the scheme is an amalgamation between the Applicant Company and their respective shareholders only the meeting of the Equity Shareholders and both the classes of Preference Shareholders are proposed to be held in accordance with the provisions of Section 230 (1) (b) of the Companies Act, 2013. This bench hereby directs the Applicant Company to issue notice to its Unsecured creditors as required under section 230 (3) of the Companies Act, 2013 with a direction that they may submit their representations, if any, to the Tribunal and copy of such representations shall simultaneously be served upon the Applicant Company.
25. The Applicant to serve the notice upon the Regional Director, Western Region, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Mumbai Maharashtra, pursuant to Section 230(5) of the Companies Act, 2013 as per Rule 8 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016. If no response is received by the Tribunal from Regional Director within 30 days of the date of receipt of the notice it will be presumed that

Regional Director and/ or Central Government has no objection to the proposed Scheme as per Rule 8 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016.

26. The Applicant to serve the notice upon the concerned Registrar of Companies, pursuant to Section 230(5) of the Companies Act, 2013 as per Rule 8 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016. If no response is received by the Tribunal from the Registrar of Companies within 30 days of the date of receipt of the notice it will be presumed that Registrar of Companies has no objection to the proposed Scheme as per Rule 8 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016.
27. The Applicant to serve the notice on the concerned Income Tax Authority within whose jurisdiction the Applicant Company's assessment are made, pursuant to Section 230(5) of the Companies Act, 2013 as per Rule 8 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016. If no response is received by the Tribunal from the Income Tax Authority within 30 days of the date of receipt of the notice it will be presumed that Income Tax Authority has no objection to the proposed Scheme as per Rule 8 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016.
28. The Applicant to file an affidavit of service of the directions given by the Tribunal not less than seven days before the date fixed for the holding of the meetings and do report to this Tribunal that the direction regarding the issue of notices have been duly complied with.

Sd/-

B.S.V. Prakash Kumar Member (J)

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V. Nallasenapathy Member (T)