IN THE NATIONAL COMPANY LAW TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD BENCH AT HYDERABAD

CA.(CAA) No. 120/230/HDB/2017

U/s 230 to 232 of the Companies Act, 2013 R/w Companies (Compromises, Arrangements & Amalgamations) Rules, 2016

In the matter of
Pras Agriinfra Projects Private Limited
8-3-167/D/92, Plot No. 92, Flat No. 6,
Niladri Apartment, Kalyan Nagar Phase 1
Hyderabad, Telangana-500038
TRANSFEROR COMPANY NO.4

Date of order: 27.10.2017

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Hon'ble Shri Rajeswara Rao Vittanala, Member (Judicial)

Parties/ Counsels Present:

For the Petitioner:

Shri V. Venkata Rami Reddy, Advocate

Per: Rajeswara Rao Vittanala, Member (J)

ORDER

- 1. The present Company Application bearing CA No. 120/230/HDB/2017, is filed by Pras Agriinfra Projects Private Limited (Transferor Company-4/ PAPPL) under Section 230 & 232 of the Companies Act, 2013, by inter-alia seeking directions to dispense with the meeting of Equity Shareholders and unsecured Creditors of the Applicant/Transferor Company No.4, etc.
- 2. Brief facts, leading to filing of the present Company Application, are as follows:-
 - (A) PRAS AGRIINFRA PROJECTS PRIVATE LIMITED

 (APPLICANT / TRANSFEROR COMPANY NO. 4)
 - a) The Applicant/Transferor Company No.4 was incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 on 16.10.2008 under the name and style "PRAS"



AGRIINFRA PROJECTS PRIVATE LIMITED". Its registered office is situated at 8-3-167/d/92, Plot No. 92, Flat No.6, Niladri Apartment, Kalyan Nagar Phase-I Hyderabad, Telangana 500038.

- b) The Authorised Share Capital of the Applicant/Transferor Company No.4 is Rs.45,00,000/(Rupees Forty Five Lakh Only) divided into 4,50,000
 (Four Lakh Fifty Thousand only) Equity Shares of Rs.10/- (Rupees Ten Only) each. The Issued, Subscribed and Paid-Up Capital is Rs.1,00,000/(Rupees One Lakh Only) divided into 10,000 (Ten Thousand only) fully paid up Equity Shares Rs.10/(Rupees Ten only) each.
- The main objects of the Applicant/Transferor C) Company No.4, as set out in its Memorandum of Association, are to undertake, carry out, promote, development, rural coordinate sponsor, agricultural infrastructure development, scientific research and technological development pertaining to agriculture, cultivation, production and harvesting techniques, to purchase, acquire, lease or sell, develop, construct, take in exchange or on lease, hire or otherwise acquire and deal in all real or personal estate/properties, techniques and methods for setting up of all types of agricultural infrastructure projects, facilities, works and to finance, build, construct, install, erect, undertake, lay down, commission, establish, own, operate, lease, transfer, all infrastructure projects, etc,.
- (d) The Applicant/Transferor Company No.4 closes its financial year on 31st March each year. The latest financial summary of the Transferor Company No.4 as on 31st March 2017 as per the Audited Balance Sheet is given below:



(In Rupees)

	2016-17	2015-16
	As at Mar' 31, 2017	As at Mar' 31, 2016
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Shareholders' Funds		
Share Capital	100,000	100,000
Reserves and Surplus	863,432	545,646
	963,432	645,646
Non - current liabilites		
Long - term borrowings	4,400,000	4,400,000
Long term Provisions	-	-
	4,400,000	4,400,000
Current liabilities		10,000
Other Current Liabilities	10,000	10,000
Short- term Provisions	-	-
	10,000	10,000
Total	5,373,432	5,055,646
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Fixed assets		
i) Tangible Assets	4,748,020	4,468,020
ii) Intangible Assets	-	-
iii) Intangible Assets	_,	
under development iv) Capital work in		
progress	* -	-
	4,748,020	4,468,020
Non Current Investments	-	- 107
Other Non- Current Assets	157,107	157,107
	157,107	157,107
Current Assets		
Trade Receivables	330,000	-
Cash and cash equivalents	138,305	430,519
	468,305	430,519
Total	5,373,432	5,055,646



 (e) The Board of Directors of the Applicant / Transferor Company No.4 had in its meeting held on 19th August,
 2017 passed a resolution approving the Scheme of

- Amalgamation to be effective from 01st April 2017 subject to the approval/directions of this Tribunal.
- (f) Sub-clause 5 in Clause III (B) of Memorandum of Association of the Applicant/Transferor Company No.4 provides for Amalgamation/Merger.
- (B) SINDHURA AGRIINFRA PROJECTS PRIVATE LIMITED (TRANSFEREE COMPANY)
- (a) The Transferee Company was incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 and its Registered Office is situated at 8-3-167/D/92, Plot No.92, Flat No.6, Niladri Apartment, Kalyan Nagar Phase 1, Hyderabad, Telangana 500038.
- (b) The Present Authorized Share Capital of the Transferee Company is Rs.25,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Only) divided into 2,50,000 (Two Lakh Fifty Thousand only) Equity Shares of Rs.10/- (Rupees Ten Only) each. The Issued, Subscribed and Paid-Up Capital is Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) divided into 10,000 (Ten Thousand only) Equity Shares of Rs.10/- (Rupees Ten only) each.
- The main objects of the Transferee Company, as set (c) out in its Memorandum of Association are to carry out, promote, coordinate and undertake, agricultural development, sponsor, rural infrastructure development, scientific research and technological development pertaining to agriculture, to assist execution and promotion of such programs sponsored by any other institutions, organisations, trust or agency either directly or indirectly, to purchase, acquire, lease or sell, develop, construct, take in exchange or on lease, hire or otherwise personal real or in all deal acquire and estate/properties and to develop the same into markets or other buildings, and to equip the same or any part thereof with all or any amenities or conveniences including water, drainage and electric infrastructure or betterment and installations



facilities, to conceive, plan, survey, design, study and evaluate all steps, process, techniques and methods for setting up of all types of agricultural infrastructure projects, facilities, works and to finance, build, construct, install, erect, undertake, lay down, commission, establish, own, operate, lease, transfer, all infrastructure projects, etc.

- (d) Sub-clause 5 in Clause III (B) of Memorandum of Association of the Transferee Company provides for Amalgamation/Merger.
- (e) The Transferee Company closes its financial year on 31st March each year. The latest financial summary of the Transferee Company as on 31st March 2017 as per the Audited Balance Sheet is given below:

(In Rupees)

	2016-17	2015-16
	As at Mar' 31, 2017	As at Mar' 31, 2016
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Shareholders' Funds		
Share Capital	100,000	100,000
Reserves and Surplus	(194,555)	(197,948)
	(94,555)	(97,948)
Non - current liabilities	,	
Long - term borrowings	2,210,000	2,210,000
Other Long - Term Liabilities	-	
	2,210,000	2,210,000
Current liabilities		
Other Current Liabilities	10,000	10,000
Short- term Provisions	:-	-
	10,000	10,000
Total	2,125,445	2,122,052
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Fixed assets		
i) Tangible Assets	1,950,500	1,950,500
ii) Intangible Assets	-	-
iii) Intangible Assets under	- *	-
development		-
iv) Capital work in progress	_	_
Non Current Investments	1 -	



Other Non- Current Assets	68,950	68,950
	68,950	68,950
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	105,995	102,602
Other Current assets	-	-
	105,995	102,602
Total	2,125,445	2,122,052

- 3. The objects / benefits of the proposed Scheme of Amalgamation are as follows:
 - (a) The Scheme under section 230 to 232 of the Companies Act, 2013 provides for amalgamation of AAPPL (Transferor Company No.1), GAPPL (Transferor Company No.2), MAPPL (Transferor Company No.3), PAPPL (Transferor Company No.4) and RAPPL (Transferor Company No.5) with SAPPL (Transferee Company), resulting in consolidation of business of Six Companies in one entity and thereby strengthening the position of the amalgamated entity by enabling it to harness and optimize the synergies of equipments and human resources, which is in the best interest of all the Companies and their respective shareholders.
 - Facilitates Managements of all the six Companies (b) involved in the Amalgamation to optimize the and technical managerial resources, financial, skills, expertise and capabilities, personnel technologies of Transferor Companies, pooled in the merged entity and will lead to increased competitive strength, cost reduction and efficiencies, productivity gains, and logistic advantages, thereby significantly contributing to future growth.
 - (c) The proposed amalgamation will enable the Transferee Company to use the resources of Transferor Company in development of business and increase in the net worth of the Transferee Company, which will facilitate effective and better mobilization of the financial resources and result in reduction of



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overheads and other expenses, economies of scale, reduction in administrative and procedural work, removal of multiple layer inefficiencies and achieving operational and managerial efficiency.

- (d) The proposed amalgamation and vesting of Transferor Company into Transferee Company, with effect from the Appointed Date, is in the best interests of the shareholders, creditors, employees of the Transferor Company, the Transferee Company and all concerned, as it would enable a focused business approach for the maximization of benefits to all stakeholders and for the purposes of synergies of business.
 - The Transferee Company undertakes to engage all employees of the Transferor Company No.4 as are determined under the Scheme of Amalgamation, as being substantially engaged in the applicant Company and who are in the employment of the Transferor Company No.4 as on the Effective Date as has been mentioned in Clause 1.9 of Part-I of the Scheme of Amalgamation. The Transferee Company undertakes to continue to abide by any agreement/settlement entered into by the Transferor Company No.4 in respect of the Permanent Employees of Transferor Company No.4. Upon the Scheme coming into effect, the accounts of the employees, who are employed by the Transferor Company No.4, relating to the Provident Fund, Gratuity Fund and Pension and/or Superannuation Fund and any other Fund, shall be identified, determined and transferred to the respective funds of the Transferee Company and the employees shall be deemed to have become members of such trusts/funds of the Transferee Company.
- (f) In consideration for the merger of the Transferor Company No.4 with the Transferee Company the Transferee Company shall, without any further



payment, issue and allot the shares to each member of the Transferor Company No.4 as follows:

Transferee Company shall issue and allot to the equity shareholders of Transferor Company No.4 and whose name appears in the Register of Members of Transferor Company No.4 as on the Record Date, his/her heirs, executors, administrators or the successors-in-title, as the case may be, 13 (Thirteen) Equity Shares of the face value of Re. 10/- each of Transferee Company credited as fully paid-up, for every 2 (Two) Equity Shares of the face value of Rs. 10/- each of Transferor Company No.4.

4. The Applicant/Transferor Company No.4 have no secured creditors as on 31.07.2017. The Transferor Company No. 4 have the following Unsecured Creditors as on 31.07.2017.

Sl.No.	Particulars	Amount in Rs.	Total Amount in Rs.
1	Compulsorily Convertible Debentures P Trivikrama Prasad	44,00,000	44,00,000
2	Other Current Liabilities Chanamolu &Co.,	10,000	10,000

The Unsecured Creditors of Applicant/Transferor Company No.4 have given their no objections / Affidavits for the Scheme of Amalgamation.

5. The total number of members in the Applicant Company are 2 (Two). Details of shareholding pattern is given below:

%	No of Equity Shares	Name of the Share Holder	S No
		Name of the Share notice	S No



Mr. M Ashok Srinuvasa Rao	7400	74
Smt M V S Ch Vijayalakshmi	2600	26
Total	10,000	100
	Smt M V S Ch Vijayalakshmi	Smt M V S Ch Vijayalakshmi 2600

Both the above members have given their written consent/affidavits for the proposed Scheme of Amalgamation. Therefore, the meeting of the shareholders of the Applicant / Transferor Company No.4 be dispensed with.

- The Scheme of Amalgamation is in the interest of the Transferor and Transferee Companies involved in the Scheme including their members and all concerned. The benefits that arise out of the proposed Scheme of Amalgamation is set out in detail at para 4 of this Application. The Directors of the Applicant / Transferor Company No.4 have no material interest in the proposed Scheme of Amalgamation except as shareholders in general. No petition under section 230 to 232 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Companies (Compromises, Arrangements & Amalgamations) Rules, 2016 has been filed against the Applicant / Transferor Company No.4 and there has been no material change in the affairs of the Applicant / Transferor Company No.4, except for what was done in the normal course of business. There are no investigation proceedings pending pursuant to the provisions of the Companies Act against the Applicant / Transferor Company No.4 under Section 206 to 212 of the Companies Act, 2013. Further, there are no winding up proceedings pending or initiated against the Applicant/ Transferor Company No.4 before this Tribunal or any other Court of Law.
- 8. The Registrar of Companies, Hyderabad, Regional Director, MCA, Hyderabad, Official Liquidator, Hyderabad and the officer concerned in the Income Tax Department who are having jurisdiction as regulatory/statutory authorities have been informed about filing of the present Company Application.



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- The assets of the Transferor Company and Transferee 9. Company are sufficient to meet all the liabilities. The Scheme of Amalgamation does not involve any compromise with any Creditors of the Applicant / Transferor Company No.4 and will not affect any of the Creditors of the Company in any manner whatsoever. The Transferor Company No.4 and Transferee Company are closely held companies.
- Heard Shri V. Venkata Rami Reddy, Learned Counsel for the 10. Applicant Company.
- I have considered all the pleadings along with material 11. papers filed in their support. It is further found that all requisite conditions required for dispensation of meetings of shareholders and unsecured creditors of the Companies involved have been met. It is also on record that all the concerned shareholders, Un-secured Creditors (as stated above) involved in the Scheme have already given their consent by way of letters / suitable affidavits.
- I am convinced that Applicant are entitled for dispensation BUILDING FOR CONDUCTING MEETINGS as prayed for and it would not serve any purpose to conduct meetings of the above Shareholders and Unsecured Creditors In the result, Company Application No.120/230/HDB/2017 is
 - Dispensed with the meeting of the Shareholders of the Applicant (Transferor-4 Company).
 - Dispensed with the meeting of Unsecured Creditors of the Applicant (Transferor-4 Company).

OF JUDGEMENT. 27:10

PY MADE READY ON 29:1.1.2013

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disposed of with following directions:tional Company Law Tribunal, Hyderabad

> RAJESWARA RAO VITTANALA MEMBER (JUDICIAL)