IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION M.A. NO. OF 2019 IN WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO. 188 OF 2004 In the matter of: Ms.Sonam ...Applicant Re: In the matter of: M/s Raiganj Consumer Forum ....Petitioner(s) Versus Union of India and Ors. ...Respondent(s) WITH M.A. NO. OF 2019 Application for intervention WITH M.A. NO. OF 2019. Application for Directions [FOR INDEX KINDLY SEE INSIDE] MAREESH PRAVIR SAHAY ADVOCATE FOR THE APPLICANT/S

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## APPLICATION FOR INTERVENTION FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT

## MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWTH:-

1. That the Applicant is bona fide investor with M/s Golden Forest India Limited [GFIL for short]. The Applicant had invested a sum of Rs. 5,000/- on 3.8.1995 for a span of 21 years and the maturity date was 3.8.2016 with the maturity / assured amount being Rs. 5,00,000/-.

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Court vide its Order dated 27.11.2018 had directed that the Committee, at the request of the Committee itself, would be at liberty to keep their portals open for acception.

- 6. That upon learning of the same, the Applicant sent a claim left in with supporting document(s) at the address of the committee in question on 23.1.2019. A true typed copy of the claim dated 23.1.19 along with supporting documents and proof of despatchesnt by the Applicant to the committee of GFIL is being annexed hereto and marked as Annexure- A3.
- 7. That the Applicant has received no response whatsoever to the written claim and neither the Committee / its Office is responding to the telephone calls as well and such has been forced to move before this Hon'ble Court.
- 8. That the non-payment of the monies to the Applicant and no response having being received to the claim sent by the Applicant, serious prejudice and hardship is being caused to her. The Applicant does not belong to a well-off background and is need of the money as was assured to her. The investment made way back in the year 1995 was a planned investment keeping in mind the needs and requirements of the Applicant at the present time.

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to interfere in the present matter(s) so that the Applicant can put forth her submissions before this Hon'ble Court along with prayer for issuance of appropriate Orders and Directions towards her claim and the payment to be made to the Applicant.

11. The Applicant is a directly affected and concerned party to the present proceedings and as such may be permitted to initializate in the present matter in the interest of justice, equity and fail play.

12. That the applicant craves leave and liberty of this Hon'ble Court to place on record additional facts, submissions and document(s) if and when deemed necessary in the interests of justice.

13. That the balance of convenience is in favour of the applicant and the ends of justice shall suffer if the relief as prayed is not granted.

- 14. That if the present application is not allowed, the application is not allowed.
- 15. That is no delay in ining of the present application as per law and there is no bar in filing of the present application in law.

## PRAYER

In view of the aforesaid, it is most humbly and respectfully prayed that this Hon'ble Court may kindly be pleased to:

- Applicant to intervene in the subject matter; and
- pass such other further Order(s), direction(s) as this
  Hon'ble Court may deem it and proper under the
  facts and circumstances of the present case.

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ADVOCATE-ON-RECORD FOR THE APPLICANT

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## AFFIDAVIT

I, Sonam, D/o Sh. Awadhesh kumar Donveel; aged about 26 years, R/o
Village and Post-Bausar, District Kanpur Nagar (U.P.) at present residing at
Fatehpur (UP), do hereby solemnly affirm and state as under:-

1. I am the Applicant in the present case and I am well conversant with the facts and circumstances of the case and competent and authorized to swear this affidavit.

That I have gone through the copies of the interlocutory applications and I state that the contents thereof are true to my knowledge and belief.

3. That annexures <u>A-1</u> to <u>A-3</u> attached to the appeal are true copies of their respective originals.

## **VERIFICATION**

DEPONENT .

I, the above named deponent do hereby verify that the contents of my all affidavit are true to my knowledge and belief. No part of it is false and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at Fatehpur (U.P.) on this the 6th day of April' 2019.

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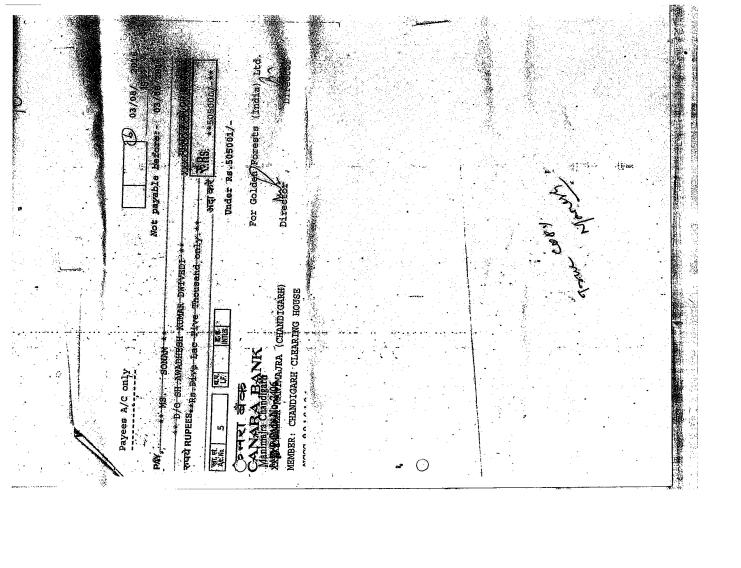
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- B- Application form dated-03-08-1995 duly Completed in all respect and signed by then Marketing officer Major PC Sahay SM-7/25-951 & Shree Daya Shankar Trivedi, my maternal grand father.
- C- Stamped cash receipt LS/95/74585 dated 13-08-1995 of Golden forest India Limited.
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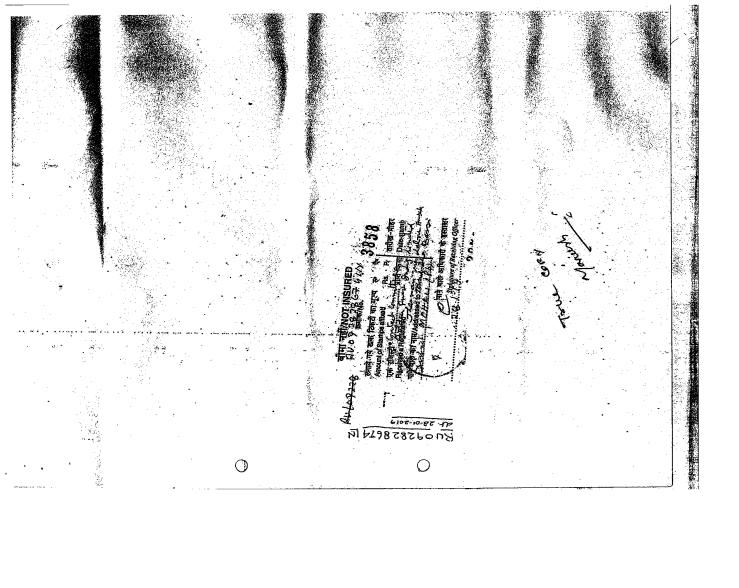
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# APPLICATION FOR DIRECTIONS FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT

## MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWS HE

1. That the Applicant is bona fide investor with W/s Colden Forest India Limited [GFIL for short]. The Applicant had invested a sum of Rs. 5,000/- on 3.8.1995 for a span of 2.1 years and the maturity date was 3.8.2016 with the maturity / assured amount being Rs. 5,00,000/-.

- 2. The Applicant was a minor at the time of the investment and the investment was made for and on her behalf by her maternal grandfather namely Shri Daya Shankar Trivedi. The Applicant has now attained the age of majority.
- 3. That an account payee cheque was also issued to the Applicant by GFL dated 3.8.2016 not payable before 3.8.2016 which confirmed the maturity amount in question.
- 4. That no payment as assured was made to the Applicant and further the Applicant belonging to a backward / ruralional monor of the Applicant belonging to a backward / ruralional monor of fective access to any information regarding the affairs of GFIL and as to how and where to agitate her claim.
- 5. That after much effort, the Applicant on / around November 2018 learnt through an Advocate at New Delhi who came to be known to them through a family reference that this Hon'bie Court, which is seized of all matters pertaining to GFII, filed across the country under powers bestowed on it by the Constitution of India, 1950, had constituted a Committee regarding the affairs of GFII and that the said committee was also empowered to receive claims by investors and to further release their monies to them. It was also learnt that this Hon'bie Court vide its Order dated 27.11.2018 had directed that the Committee, at the request of the Committee itself would be at

claims made by the investors.

6. That upon learning of the same, the Applicant sent at the letter with supporting document(s) at the address of the committee in question on 23.1.2019.

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7. That the Applicant has received no response whatsoever to the written claim and neither the Committee / its Office is responding to the telephone calls as well and such has been forced to move before this Hon'ble Court.

8. That the non-payment of the monies to the Applicant and no response having being received to the claim sent by the Applicant, serious prejudice and hardship is being caused to her. The Applicant does not belong to a well-off background and is need of the money as was assured to her. The investment made way back in the year 1995 was a planned investment keeping in mind the needs and requirements of the Applicant at the present time.

9. That the present application is being made with honest and bona fide intentions and in the interests of justice.

issuance of appropriate Orders and Directions towards her claim and the payment to be made to the Applicant.

- 11. That the applicant craves leave and liberty of this Hon'ble Court to place on record additional facts, submissions and document(s) if and when deemed necessary in the interests of justice.
- 12. That the balance of convenience is in favour of the applicant and the ends of justice shall suffer if the relief as played to not granted.
- 13. That if the present application is not allowed, the applicant shall suffer irreparable loss, harm and injury and serious prejudice and hard ship.
- 14. That is no delay in filing of the present application as per law and there is no bar in filing of the present application in faw.

## PRAYER

In view of the aforesaid, it is most humbly and respectfully prayed that this Hon'ble Court may kindly be pleased to:-

a. allow the present application and direct the committee to accept, admit and further process the

payments due to the Applicant; and

b. condone delay, if any, in the submission of the claim by the Applicant; and

c. pass such other further Order(s), direction(s) as this Hon'bleCourt may deem it and proper under the facts and circumstances of the present case.

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ADVOCATE-ON-RECORD FOR THE APPLICANT

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1361, Sector-37, Arun Vihar, Noida-201 303 U.P. Phones: - +91-120-6522 443; 98 99 000923 E Mail: - office@mpsahayadvocate.com

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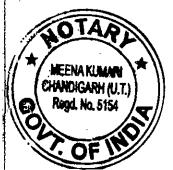
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New Delhi Date:- Soumya Datta, Advocate on record Counsel for the Committee - GFIL

(Appointed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India)

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REPLY ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE-GFIL APPOINTED BY THE HON'BLE SUPREME COURT.

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### Most Respectfully Sheweth:-

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

- That the applicant- Ms. Sonam has filed the present application regarding her investment of Rs. 5000/- made in her name on 3.8.1995 for 21 years.
- 2. The applicant has prayed for the following:
  - a) Allow the present Application and direct the Committee to accept, admit and further process the claim of the applicant as per law and make the payment due to the applicant; and
  - b) Condone delay, if any, in the submission of the claim by the applicant; and

- c) Pass such other further order(s), direction(s) as this Hon'ble

  Court may deem fit and proper under the facts and

  circumstances of the present case.
- 3. That this Hon'ble Court vide its order dated 05.09.2006 fixed 10.08.2006 as the cut-off date for receipt of claims by this Committee. Para-47 of the order dated 05.09.2006 is reproduced as under:

"47. Counsel appearing for the Committee has stated before us that the claims have been received even after 20th May, 2005 and the Committee has included all the claims filed before it up to 10th of August 2006. Cut off date is fixed as 10th August, 2006. Hence, all claims filed before the Committee by the cut off date fixed, i.e., 10th August, 2006 be taken into consideration for disbursement of the assets of the GFIL after verification of the claims. The Committee should accept the claims of only those claimants, who have original authenticated receipts issued by the GFIL. The Committee shall categorise the range of investment by depositors and treat the small, medium and big investors in separate categories. Appropriate orders regarding disbursement of the amount among the small, medium and big investors shall be passed at a later date, after the total amount of sale of the properties is received. The Committee shall not entertain claims passed on alleged deposits accepted by any agents in the year 2001

till date after the closure of the business of the GFIL. No claim without clear proof of deposit of money with the company shall be considered."

4. That vide order dated 27.11.2018 this Hon'ble Court removed the cut-off date of 10.08.2006 for receipt of claims by this Committee.

The relevant portion of the order dated 27.11.2018 is reproduced as under:

"6. Prayer has been made by the Committee to keep open portals for inviting the application from the investors, they are free to do so. However non filing of fresh application or particulars shall not come in the way of the Committee to distribute the amount to investors. In the cases of investors where bank particulars had already been furnished, payment be made on available data. In case information has not been furnished nor application filed by the investors, we direct that let amount be paid by account payee cheque to investors on the available address. Let the amount be remitted to the investors if bank transfer is not possible. Even if any person applies after the cutoff date, the Committee and agency appointed shall honour their claim and make the requisite payment. Let the order of distribution be complied with. We request the Chairman of the Committee to ensure that the order of distribution of

money is complied with in pith and substance and there is

no violation in any manner whatsoever by any agency/person."

Copy of the order dated 27.11.2018 passed by this Hon'ble Court is annexed as ANNEXURE R-1. (pg % to pg 2.3)

That the Committee reported to this Hon'ble Court the funds realized from sale of certain assets of the company. This Hon'ble Court vide orders dated July 30, 2018 and September 5, 2018 directed the Committee to disburse 70% of the amount invested by the depositors with the help of agency M/s Karvy (now Kfintech). Copy of the order dated 30.7.2018 passed by this Hon'ble Court is annexed as ANNEXURE R-2.(pg24 to pg33)

The Committee has till date made payments to about 10 lacs investors and payment process is still going on.

- 6. That the applicant in her application has mentioned that she came to know about the constitution of the Committee only after passing of order dated 27.11.2018 by this Hon'ble Court vide which it was directed that 'Even if any person applies after the cutoff date, the Committee and agency appointed shall honour their claim and make the requisite payment." Therefore the applicant has alleged to file the claim before Committee on 23.1.2019.
- 7. That the Committee on 9.1.2019 issued public notice to investors in leading newspapers across the country and invited claims from the investor of the company who could not file their claim before cutoff date earlier fixed by this Hon'ble Court. In response to that the

Committee received thousands of fresh claims. In general Committee does not send acknowledgement of receipt of claim to individual investor. Therefore the applicant also did not receive any acknowledgement from the Committee.

The Committee has checked with funds distribution agency M/s Kfintech Technologies Limited whether the claim filed by the applicant exist in the data base of the company. In reply to the query M/s Kfintech has confirmed that fresh claim has been received in the name of Sonam. Copy of the e-mail dated 22.9.2022 received from M/s Kfintech is annexed as ANNEXURE R-3. (pg 3 4to pg 34)

- 8. That it is submitted that as per order dated 30.7.2018, 70% of the invested amount shall be paid, provided the claim is found to be valid and all the other requisite information like bank account etc. are supplied along with the claim form. It is further brought to the kind attention of the Hon'ble Court that as per order dated 5.9.2006 (para 47), Committee while scrutinizing the claim has to see whether the claimants has filed original authenticated receipts issued by the GFIL.
- 9. In view of the above it is prayed that the Committee may please be allowed to process the claim of the applicant as per the guideline fixed by this Hon'ble court.

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Soumya Datta,

Advocate on record

Counsel for the Committee - GFIL

(Appointed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India)

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#### **AFFIDAVIT**

I, Shri Brij Mohan Bedi, S/o Shri Sadhu Ram Bedi, aged about 71 years, R/o H. No. 22, Sector-4, Panchkula, do hereby solemnly affirm and state as under:-

- That I am one of the members of the Committee appointed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court. I am duly authorised and being fully competent and fully conversant with the facts and circumstances of the case, I am competent to swear this affidavit.
- 2. That I have read the contents of accompanying reply which has been prepared under my instructions.
- That the contents of the accompanying reply are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and are derived from record of the case.

Annexure are true copy of its original.

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## VERIFICATION:-

I, the deponent above named, do hereby verify and state that the contents of paragraph 1 to 9 of the affidavit are true to my knowledge based on records of the case, no part of it is false and nothing material has been concealed there from.

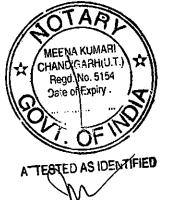
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**DEPONENT** 

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MEEŅA KU**ŅARI** NOTARY CHANDIGARH Identity the deponent who has Signed/thumb marked in my presence

Signature

The contents of this Affidays / Document has been explained to the deponent / executants. He / she has admitted the same to the correct

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#### SUPREME COURT OF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

#### ORDER

- 1. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
- 2. The valuation team has filed the affidavit in the form of First Interim Progress Report of valuation of the properties pursuant to the order dated 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 passed by this Court. It appears from the perusal of the Report that substantial progress has not been done so far with respect to the properties that stand already identified. We request the Valuation Team to make the valuation of the property which has already been identified in Part A as early as possible. It was stated by learned counsel appearing on behalf of the Committee appointed by this Court that there are 23 identified properties which can be valued.
- 3. The learned counsel appearing on behalf of the State of Uttarakhand has pointed out that the basis taken for valuation of certain property was not correct, consequently value determined by

the Valuation Team is not correct and is on lower side. Shri Radhakrishnan, learned senior counsel appearing for the Valuation Team agreed that the suggestions and material may be filed before the Valuation Team and they will be considered and looked into by the Valuation Team for making the proper valuation and correcting the one already made. It is also submitted that as and when Valuation Team is valuing any property, they may associate Collector of the concerned District also, as offered by the learned counsel appearing for the State of Uttarakhand and to this there is no objection raised by Shri Radhakrishnan. Let Collector be associated to help Valuation Team for arriving at a proper valuation.

4. It was also submitted by Shri Radhakrishnan, senior counsel on behalf of the Valuation Team that certain information is required with respect to the unidentified property due to which the hindrance is being caused in the valuation. The learned counsel appearing on behalf of Committee has assured us full cooperation and whatever information may be required by Valuation Team it may be directly solicited from the Committee appointed by this Court. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the Committee assured this Court that Committee shall supply the requisite information to the valuation team within fifteen days from today. In future also they are free to

exchange the information inter se and no court order is required in this regard. Let valuation be made of identified properties and report be submitted within a period of three months.

5. Let copy of IA No.141055 of 2018 be furnished to the State of Uttarakhand. Reply to the IA, if any, be filed within three weeks.

IA Nos. 154673 of 2018 & 148036/2018:

6. Prayer has been made by the Committee to keep open portals for inviting the application from the investors, they are free to do so. However non-filing of fresh application or particulars shall not come in the way of the Committee to distribute the amount to investors. In the cases of investors where bank particulars had already been furnished, payment be made on available data. In case information has not been furnished nor application filed by the investors, we direct that let amount be paid by account payee cheque to investors on the available address. Let the amount be remitted to the investors if bank transfer is not possible. Even if any person applies after the cut-off date, the Committee and agency appointed shall honour their claim and make the requisite payment. Let the order of distribution be complied with. We request the Chairman of the Committee to ensure that the order of distribution of money is complied with in pith and substance and there is no violation in any manner whatsoever by any agency/person.



List in the last week of February 2019.

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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

### WRIT PETITION(S)(CIVIL) NO(S).188 OF 2004

M/S. RAIGANJ CONSUMER FORUM

PETITIONER(S)

#### **VERSUS**

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

RESPONDENT(S)

#### WITH

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#### ORDER

Heard learned counsel for the parties at great length.

This court has passed an order on 9.5.2018 inviting further fresh bids. Pursuant thereto, advertisement was published in the newspapers namely the 'Indian Express', 'Hindustan Times' and 'Dainik Jagran'. Properties available for Sale - has been specified in Part-A; in Part -B 'Properties/lands under litigation before Court/Committee' has been detailed, in Part-C 'Surplus Land declared by the State of Punjab Uttrakhand' was mentioned and in Properties/Lands yet to be identified (as per Nanavati's Report) was mentioned. All the properties were for sale.

It was submitted by the learned counsel appearing for the investors and the learned counsel appearing for the Committee appointed by this Court and others that valuation of the properties mentioned in the auction notice has not been done. It was pointed out that some

valuation was carried out in the year 1998 by one of the Chartered Accountants. The valuation made in the year 1998 or by Hawk Group cannot be relied upon for making auction of the property as the value of the property has gone very high since then.

After hearing learned counsel for parties at length, we are of the considered opinion that it is absolutely necessary to obtain the current valuation of the property which may be sold and only thereafter to proceed further with the sale of property.

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It was pointed out by Sh. P.S. Narsimha, learned Additional Solicitor General appearing for the State of Punjab and Sh. K. Radhakrishnan, learned senior counsel appearing for the Income Tax Department, that the Income Tax Department has the proper valuers as well as the Indian Institute of Cost Accountant, as such for the purpose of valuation.

In the circumstances, we constitute a team of three members, namely, Sh. S.S. Rathore, Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, Delhi, Sh. Sanjay Kumar Mishra, Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax-4, Delhi and Sh. Anup Kumar Dubey, Commissioner of Income Tax (OSD), Delhi, to submit a correct valuation of the

For identifying the particular property, the Collector shall nominate the Revenue Officer of the rank of Sub-Divisional Officer or Tehsildar, of the concerned district and the valuation report shall be submitted to this Court. Let this exercise be completed and the plot numbers etc. shall also be furnished to this Court. Existing Committee may also submit the details of the property to this Court on affidavit as well as give a copy of the same to the team of Valuers appointed today so as to make the proper valuation of the property and also for its proper identification.

Concerned District Magistrate shall also assist the team of the Valuers to make the identification of the property for the purpose of its valuation and also as per Dr. Nanavati's reports if possible. The Committee appointed by this Court may also furnish the relevant data to this Court as well as to the team of the Valuers, so appointed.

It was also pointed out by the learned counsel appearing for the State of Punjab and Deputy Advocate General for the State of Uttrakhand that the surplus land declared by the State of Punjab and State of Uttrakhand

has also been included in the auction notice; the property declared surplus could not have been included in the auction notice for the purpose of sale as property of State Government which has already vested cannot be sold for the purpose of satisfaction of the debt if any incurred by the Golden Forest Group (GFG) and by others.

We are of the prima facie opinion that the land that has been declared surplus and has vested in the State cannot be sold and consequently put to auction. There is some litigation about surplus land pending before the Court(s) including the one preferred by the Committee so as to seek declaration that property is not surplus property. Be that as it may, as the property has been declared surplus, prima facie without adjudicating conclusively upon said issue, it cannot be sold outrightly at this stage. We will take a final call upon this aspect at a later stage.

At present, we are not directing the valuation of the land that has been declared surplus by the State of Punjab and State of Uttrakhand. At the first instance, we want to obtain valuation report with respect to the properties mentioned in Part-A available for Sale and with respect to the property mentioned in Part B

'Properties/lands under litigation before Court/Committee' and also the property which can be identified out of Part-D. Let identification of Part-D property, if possible, as well as its valuation and also the fact that whether any part of it has been declared surplus be also reported to this Court.

In view of the aforesaid, we feel that it would not be appropriate to proceed any further with the auction notice that was so published. No bid has been offered pursuant to the advertisement. Hawk Capital (P) Ltd. has also not deposited the amount and has also withdrawn the bank guarantee. Be that as it may, what is the effect of the same and its consequence will be considered later. We have refrained to pass any order at this stage as the money is not in deposit and valuation has been crdered. The property can be auctioned only after fixing minimum price.

It was pointed out by Sh. Narender Hooda, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the investors that large amount of money is lying in deposit with the Committee which required to be distributed.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the Committee pointed out and submitted the following summary

of data of claims made by investors of Golden Forest India Ltd. (GFIL) as on 01.02.2017 and Golden Projects Ltd.(GPL) as on 01.02.2017, which are as under:-

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It was also stated by learned counsel appearing on behalf of the Committee that an amount of Rupees hundred crores has been attached by the Income Tax Department and apart from that approximately Rupees seven hundred crores is available for distribution to the investors.

As per number of claims received by the Committee, approximately nine hundred crores is the principal amount; first, we take care of the principal amount to be distributed amongst the investors. Amount of payment of interest/maturity value as assured shall be considered later after property is sold. In the circumstances, we direct that 70% of the principal amount be distributed out of the amount of Rupees seven hundred crores to each of the investors; whose claims have been received by the Committee. The number of claims have been mentioned in the aforesaid chart.

Since RBI has requested the Committee to engage

M/s. Karvey Investors Services Limited and as suggested by learned counsel appearing for the Committee as well as others also, we appoint M/s. Karvey Investors Services Limited; whose services may be adopted by the Committee for disbursement of the 70% of the principal amount which was invested by each of the investors. Let the process of distribution be completed within a period of three months from today.

Let the report of the Valuer be submitted. The rate prescribed by the Collector for the property be also furnished along with report within a period of two months from today.

There are certain other applications stated to be pending; they are also required to be looked into and decided. Let cases be listed for consideration of the pending applications on 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2018.

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