

Corporate Supervision Department Company Law Division

Before Abid Hussain - Executive Director

In the matter of

Deloitte Yousuf Adil, Chartered Accountants,

the Auditors of Island Textile Mills Limited

Number and date of notice:

CSD/ARN/514/2017-533 dated September 25, 2017

Date of hearing:

February 21, 2018

Present:

Ms. Hena Saddiq, Deloitte Yousuf Adil, Chartered Accountants

(Authorized Representative)

ORDER

UNDER SECTION 255 READ WITH SECTIONS 260 AND 476 OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE, 1984

This Order shall dispose of the proceedings initiated against the Engagement Partner (the "Respondent") M/s Deloitte Yousuf Adil, Chartered Accountants, the Auditors of Island Textile Mills Limited (the "Company"), through Show Cause Notice (the "SCN") dated September 25, 2017, issued under the provisions of Section 255 read with Section 260 and 476 of the Companies Ordinance 1984 (the "Ordinance").

- 2. Brief facts of the case are that review of the annual audited accounts of the Company for the year ended June 30, 2016 (the "Accounts") revealed that the Company carried out revaluation exercise during the year in respect of leasehold land, building on leasehold land, plant and machinery and electric installations. Note 2.2 and 3.1 to the accounts revealed that the Company carried leasehold land, building on leasehold land, plant and machinery and electric installation at revalued amounts being the fair value at the date of revaluation, less subsequent accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, if any. The Company has not incorporated the impact of upward revaluation in respect of the related assets in the accounts based on prudence.
- 3. Note 4.3 to the Accounts states that:

 "During the year revaluation exercise has been carried out in respect of Leasehold land, Building on leasehold land, Plant and machinery and Electric installations by an independent valuer. The management has not incorporated the impact of upward revaluation on the basis of prudence."
- 4. The Company was advised to provide explanation for not accounting for the revaluation surplus/deficit resulting out of revaluation during the year, which was in violation with the requirements of International Accounting Standard (IAS) 16, 'Property, Plant and Equipment', despite the fact that the Company is carrying these fixed assets at revalued amounts, as per its policy stated at Note 3.1 to the accounts which mentions that:

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"Leasehold land, buildings on leasehold land, plant and machinery and electric installations <u>are</u> stated at revalued amount being the fair value at the date of revaluation, less subsequent accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, if any. Revaluations are performed with sufficient regularity so that the fair value and carrying value do not differ materially at the reporting date".

- 5. The Company replied vide its letter dated June 30, 2017 as under:
 - "... Revaluation exercise was carried during the year 2016 in respect of lease hold land, building on lease hold land, plant and machinery and electric installations by independent valuer M/s M.K. Associates. On the basis of prudence the management deferred the impact of upward revaluation. However, the same was incorporated subsequently in half yearly accounts for the period ended December 31, 2016. The same has also been disclosed in note 5.2 of the half yearly accounts...."
- 6. In view of the reply of the Company, it appeared that the Company contravened the requirements of IAS-16, in annual accounts for the year ended June 30, 2016 and subsequent quarterly accounts for the period ended September 30, 2016, as stated below:
 - a) Fixed and total assets are understated;
 - b) Surplus on revaluation of property, plant and equipment is understated;
 - c) Deferred tax liability has been understated;
 - The Company has not charged incremental depreciation in the annual and subsequent quarterly accounts for the period ended September 30, 2016;
 - Depreciation expense would have been different had the company taken the impact of revaluation in its annual and quarterly accounts.
- 7. The financial statements of the Company for the year ended June 30, 2016 and quarter ended September 30, 2016 were *prima facie* materially misstated and Auditors failed to appropriately highlight the above misstatements in their Auditor's Report on the accounts for the year ended June 30, 2016. Therefore, Auditor's Report was not in accordance with the requirements of Section 255 of the Ordinance and International Standards on Auditing, which made the Auditors liable for action under Section 260 of the Ordinance. In this regard, a SCN dated September 25, 2017 was issued to the respondent under Section 255 of the Ordinance to show cause in writing within fourteen days from the date of this notice as to why penalty may not be imposed on you for contravening the afore-referred provisions of the Ordinance.
- 8. The respondent submitted the reply to the SCN vide letter No. 09-12/0652 dated October 16, 2017, brief of which is as follows:
 - On August 31, 2015, the Company transferred a new manufacturing unit consisting of building, plant and machinery and electric installation costing Rs 3.191 billion pertaining to Unit 2 from capital work in progress to property plant and equipment.

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- As a part of the revaluation exercise, the valuer had also considered Unit 2, however, it was commissioned only 10 months earlier, it was not expected that a significant change in its fair value had occurred during such a short period of time.
- The Company's practice to carry out revaluations after a lapse of 4 to 5 years in order to ensure that the carrying amount is not materially different from the fair value.
- The last revaluation had been carried out on June 30, 2012 and the policy suggested that the next revaluation was due in 2017.
- To comply with the requirements of IAS 16. 16.36 "If an item of property, plant and equipment is revalued, the entire class of property, plant and equipment to which that asset belongs shall be revalued." It was required to revalue the entire class of building and plant and machinery during the revaluation exercise, therefore in our opinion, it was not appropriate to record surplus on revaluation on Unit 2, which had be operational only for 10 month.
- It was concluded to delay the incorporation of revalued amounts in financial statements for some time until the Unit 2 would at least be operational for a period of 1 whole year and then the company can revalue the entire class of assets together an adopted by it.
- During the half year ended December 31, 2016, the Unit 2 had been in
 operation for around more than a year i.e. 16 months and the valuation cycle
 was completed i.e. greater than 4 years. The valuation was once again updated
 through a certificate from the same valuer who confirmed that there was no
 considerable change in the fair market value.
- In case impact of revaluation had been incorporated in the financial statements from April 18, 2016 (date of valuation report), excess depreciation amounting to Rs 3.4 million and net of tax amounting to Rs. 2.4 million would have been charged to profit and loss account, which is not material to the financial statements.
- As auditors of the Company, it is our responsibility to challenge the assumption
 used by the management in the preparation of the financial statements. In this
 case, we felt that the facts and the underlying assumptions do not justify any
 upward revaluation especially in Unit 2 and therefore it was not advised to
 account for such revaluation in the financial statements.
- We as the auditors of the Company, challenged management's assertions, as
 we strongly believed that it was not necessary to incorporate the revaluation
 during June 30, 2016; we had given due consideration to the underlying
 assumptions, which is in line with the professional skepticism maintained
 during the course of audit.
- 9. Considering the reply of the respondent, hearing in the matter was fixed for February 21, 2017, which was attended by Ms. Hena Sadiq as Authorized Representative on behalf of the

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Respondent. During the hearing, the Authorized Representative reiterated the arguments as were given in the written submissions earlier.

- 10. In terms of the Commission's notification SRO 751 (I)/2015 dated August 2, 2017, the powers to adjudicate cases under Section 255 read with 260 of the Ordinance have been delegated to the Executive Director (Corporate Supervision Department).
- I have analyzed the facts of the case, relevant provisions of the Ordinance and 11. submissions made by the Respondent, I hereby tend to concur with the submission made by the Authorized Representative during the hearing proceedings. The argument of the Authorized Representative are justified on the grounds that Unit 2 had been commissioned only 10 months before the reporting date i.e. June 30, 2016 and no significant change in revaluation amount was expected in the fair value of Unit 2 during this short period of time. In order to comply with the requirements of IAS 16, it was required to revalue the entire class of building and plant and machinery during the revaluation exercise, and it was not appropriate to record surplus on revaluation on Unit 2, which had been operational only for a 10-month period. The impact of revaluation exercise, if incorporated in the accounts, in terms of the excess depreciation is not material in nature being less than 2% of the total depreciation charged to the financial statements. I have seen that the Company is following the practice to carry out revaluations after a lapse of 4 to 5 years as per the requirement of law. The last revaluation had been carried out on June 30, 2012 and next revaluation was due in 2017. I have observed that another full scope valuation of Land, Building, Plant and Machinery and Equipment has been conducted and as certified by the valuer, as on December 31, 2016, there was no considerable change in the fair market value of the fixed assets. In view of the foregoing, I conclude the proceedings against the respondent without any adverse order.

Abid Hussain Executive Director

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Announced: March 14, 2018 Islamabad