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F.No.35/36/21/71/AM03

Date: 14.1.2015

ORDER-IN-ORIGINAL

PASSED BY: **S. SASIKUMAR** JOINT DIRECTOR GENERAL OF FOREIGN TRADE, MADURAI.

1. Any person/party aggrieved by this order may, under Section 15 of the Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1992 & notification no. 21(RE-2013)/2009-2014 dt. 13.6.2013 file an appeal against the same to the appropriate authority viz. The Additional Director General of Foreign Trade, Office of the Additional Director General of Foreign Trade, Office of the Additional Director General of Foreign Trade, Shastri Bhavan Annex, 26, Haddows Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai – 600006 within a period of forty five days (45 days) from the date of service of this adjudication order together with a copy of this order and a complete set of evidence in the form of Annexure to the appeal relied upon in support of the appeal.

2. Any person/party desirous of filing an appeal against this order shall deposit the penalty amount and produce proof of payment of penalty amount along with the appeal to the Appellate Authority failing which the appeal is liable to be rejected for non-compliance of the provisions of Section 15 of the Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1992.

3. The penalty amount is to be deposited in an authorized bank of Central Bank of India under the Head of Account "1453 Foreign Trade & Export Promotion Minor Head 102 other receipts fines, penalties etc.". The bank receipt must show the name of Dept. viz. Directorate General of Foreign Trade. The bank receipt drawn in favour of Pay & Accounts Officer (Foreign Trade), Chennai.

4. Evidence of payment of penalty is required to be furnished to the Adjudicating Authority within forty five days (45 days) from the date of service of this Adjudication Order, failing which the Importer-Exporter Code Number of the persons/companies/ other entities concerned is liable to be suspended under the provisions of Section 11(4) of the foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992 without making any further reference to them.

- 5. M/s. SEENI THEVAR MODERN RICE MILL, KAVANDANPATTI ROAD,USILAMPATTI MADURAI DISTRICT PIN-625532 had obtained an EPCG licence no. 3530000251 dt. 17.10.2002 for CIF value of Rs. 1986600 for import of capital goods with an export obligation to export Rice worth US\$ 244757.03 within a period of 8 years from the date of issue of authorization. IEC no allotted to the firm is 3502001961.
- 6. M/s. SEENI THEVAR MODERN RICE MILL had not submitted statement of exports in spite of this office letter dt. 24.3.2014 though export obligation period expired on 13.9.2014.
- 7. Show cause notice dt. 29.10.2014 with personal hearing on 6.11.2014 at 11.30 a.m. was issued to the firm and it's Partners. M/s. SEENI THEVAR MODERN RICE MILL neither attended personal hearing nor submitted documentary evidence for having fulfilled export obligation.
- 8. Demand notice was issued on 12.11.2014. M/s. SEENI THEVAR MODERN RICE MILL had not paid duty with applicable interest to regularize the case. Hence the firm and partners were placed under Denied Entitles List(DEL) vide order dt. 12.12.2014.

In the circumstances, the undersigned is now fully convinced that the Licensee and its partners are guilty of violating the conditions of the Licence in question thereby liable to a penalty under Section 11 (2) of Chapter IV of Foreign Trade(Development and Regulation) Act, 1992. In exercise of powers vested in me vide Notification No. SO(E) dt. 17.4.2009 issued by DGFT, New Delhi in F.No. 18/27/HQ/06-07/ECA-II, I hereby impose a penalty of **Rs. 19,86,600/- Rupees nineteen lakhs eighty six thousand and six hundred only** (being one time CIF value) on the licensee and its partners towards non-fulfillment of export obligation in full against the subject licence.

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I further order that no further authorization shall be issued to the firm/Company or to any other firm/Company in which the partners of this firm/Company are directly or indirectly involved in the day-to-day activities of that firm/Company as per Provisions of Handbook read with Rule 7(1) of the Foreign Trade (Regulation) Rules, 1993.

This order is issued without prejudice to any other action that may be taken under any other Act, Rules or Regulations in force.

> (S. Sasikumar) JOINT DIRECTOR GENERAL OF FOREIGN TRADE

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M/s. SEENI THEVAR MODERN RICE MILL, KAVANDANPATTI ROAD, USILAMPATTI MADURAI DISTRICT PIN-625532

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P.S.NATARAJAN, PARTNER, PERUMAL KOVIL STREET KAVANDANPATTI USILAMPATTI, MADURAI DIST. - 625532

N.THAVAMANI PARTNER KAVANDANPATTI ROAD, KAVANDANPATTI USILAMPATTI , MADURAI DIST. - 625532

The Commissioner of Customs, Sea Port, Chennai – 600001 – with reference to bill of entry no. 20407 dt. 18.10.2002.

The Additional Director General of Foreign Trade **(ECA Section)**, Office of the Additional Director General of Foreign Trade, 4th Floor, Shastri Bhavan Annex, 26, Haddows Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai – 600006