



SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

(Adjudication Department-II, Adjudication Division)
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CASE No. 1585/2021

BEFORE THE ADJUDICATING OFFICER

ORDER UNDER SECTION 233 READ WITH SECTION 479 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2017


IN THE MATTER OF M/S. Balochistan Board of Investment and Trade Company (BBOI&T)

Present: None present for hearing

Date of hearing: 08-06-2021

1. This Order shall dispose of the proceedings initiated under Section 233 of the Companies Act, 2017 ("The Act"), vide Show Cause Notice dated: 13-04-2021 ["the Notice"].
2. The facts of the case are that the company was required to file its Financial Statements together with reports and documents required to be annexed to the same with the Registrar, within 15 days from the date of Annual General Meeting (AGM) in terms of provisions of section 233(1) of the Act.
3. However, the record of the company registration office revealed that the company failed to file the Financial Statement(s) for the year(s) 2020 in violation of the aforesaid provision of law.
4. This constituted violation of law and rendered the company liable to penalty of level-1 on the standard scale, provided under section 233(4) read with section 479(2) of the Act. Accordingly, taking cognizance of the matter, a Show-Cause Notice dated 13-04-2021, was served to the company through its Chief Executive as well as the directors of the company, calling upon them to Show Cause in my office on 28-04-2021, and subsequently adjourned to 06-05-2021 and 08-06-2021, as to why the penalty laid down under the above mentioned section should not be imposed.
5. However, in response to the above-mentioned show cause notice, neither anyone appeared before the undersigned for hearing nor any written reply was received from the subject company. In order to provide further opportunity of being heard and to meet the end of justice, two reminders / re-scheduled notices were also served upon the company. Yet, no response in any manner received from or on behalf of the company or its management.

6. The attitude of the management of the subject company towards compliance with law, rules and regulations is very disappointing. Due to failure to attend the hearing and to submit any written reply thereby explaining the reasons for default in filing of the Annual return(s) as confronted in above-mentioned show cause notice and subsequent notices/reminders, the undersigned is left with no choice but to take an ex-parte decision. Henceforth, I hereby taking a lenient view, impose a token penalty of Rs.25,000/- on the company.
7. The management of the company is advised to deposit the penalty amount within 30 days from the date of receipt of this order in any designated branches of MCB Bank Limited or UBL Bank and furnish original receipted challan to this office within the above said period positively and file the aforesaid financial statements immediately but not later than 15 days from the date of this order.
8. A copy of this order be placed on the record/file of the company for future reference and further appropriate action to be taken by the concerned registrar in accordance with the law.



(ZIA UL RASHEED ABBASI)
ADJUDICATING OFFICER /
ADDITIONAL REGISTRAR

Dated: 08-06-2021