

## Reserve Bank of India Foreign Exchange Department Mumbai Regional Office Main Building, 3rd floor Shahid Bhagat Singh Marg, Fort Mumbai 400 001

CA No. MUM 984 / 2019

In the matter of

M/s Ganart Technologies Private Limited
Pune IT Park, C/2/201-204,
Unit No. 10, 34 Aundh Road, Bhau Patil Marg,
Pune 411020

(Applicant)

In exercise of the powers conferred under section 15(1) of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and the Regulations/Rules/Notifications/Orders made thereunder, I pass the following

## Order

- The applicant has filed the compounding application dated October 17, 2019, received at the Reserve Bank on October 24, 2019, for compounding of contravention/s of the provisions of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (the FEMA) and the regulations issued thereunder. The contravention/s sought to be compounded are in respect of the following (Regulations/ paras under Schedule 1 to Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident outside India) Regulations 2000, notified vide Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB dated May 3, 2000 and as amended from time to time (hereinafter referred to as FEMA 20):
  - (i) Para 9 (1) (A) of FEMA 20: Delay in reporting receipt of foreign inward remittance towards subscription to equity
  - (ii) Para 9 (1) (B) of FEMA 20: Delay in filing Form FC GPR to Reserve Bank after issue of shares to person resident outside India
  - (iii) Para 8 of FEMA 20: Neither the equity instruments were issued, nor the money refunded to the foreign investor within 180 days from the receipt of the inward remittance



**2** Brief details of the applicant company are as follows:

Date of Incorporation	March 05, 2008					
Its main activities are:	Computer manageme	Computer consultancy and computer fac management activities				

The applicant received foreign inward remittances from non-resident investors towards equity shares / compulsorily convertible preference shares/ compulsorily convertible debentures and it reported the same to the Reserve Bank on dates as indicated below.

## <u>Delay in reporting Foreign Direct Investment &/or delay in allotting the shares/</u> refunding the amount

\_ (whereas, "Y" represents delay in number of years, "M" represents delay in number of months and "D" represents delay in number of days, and LSF stands for : Late Submission Fees

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Sr.	Date of	Amount received	Date of	Delay in	Date of	date of
No/	inward	(in INR)	reporting to	reporting	allotment	
LSF	remittanc		RBI	Foreign	/ refund	refund/
	е		(DD-MM-YY)	Investment	(DD-MM-YY)	date of
	(DD-MM-YY)					applying
						to RBI for
						approval
1	30-01-08	39,28,035.00	11-08-08	0Y 5M 11D	16-07-08	0Y 0M 0D
2	29-02-08	51,14,943.00	11-08-08	0Y 4M 12D	16-07-08	0Y 0M 0D
3	14-03-08	8,85,721.00	11-08-08	0Y 3M 27D	16-07-08	0Y 0M 0D
4	15-04-08	19,80,548.23	11-08-08	0Y 2M 26D	16-07-08	0Y 0M 0D
5	13-05-08	20,84,866.04	11-08-08	0Y 1M 28D	16-07-08	0Y 0M 0D
6	06-06-08	10,60,530.40	11-08-08	0Y 1M 5D	16-07-08	0Y 0M 0D
7	07-06-08	10,58,916.77	11-08-08	0Y 1M 4D	16-07-08	0Y 0M 0D
8	14-06-08	10,66,116.06	11-08-08	0Y 0M 27D	16-07-08	0Y 0M 0D
9	17-06-08	10,62,516.42	11-08-08	0Y 0M 24D	16-07-08	0Y 0M 0D
10	06-09-08	22,18,243.82	22-04-09	0Y 6M 16D	26-04-13	4Y 1M 22D
11	10-10-08	24,36,069.35	22-04-09	0Y 5M 12D	26-04-13	4Y 0M 18D
12		24,57,926.42	22-02-10	1Y 2M 24D	26-04-13	3Y 11M 29D
	29-10-08					
13		24,50,475.14	22-02-10	1Y 2M 8D	26-04-13	3Y 11M 14D
	14-11-08					
14	00.40.00	24,62,893.93	22-02-10	1Y 1M 16D	26-04-13	3Y 10M 22D
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15	18-12-08	23,44,170.32	22-02-10	1Y 1M 4D	26-04-13	3Y 10M 10D
16		24,34,082.35	22-02-10	1Y 0M 29D	26-04-13	3Y 10M 4D
17	30-12-08	24,08,748.02	22-02-10	1Y 0M 23D	26-04-13	3Y 9M 28D
18	09-01-09	24,24,147.32	22-02-10	1Y 0M 23D	26-04-13	3Y 9M 19D
19	17-01-09	24,22,905.44	22-02-10	1Y 0M 5D	26-04-13	3Y 9M 11D
20		24,27,127.82	22-02-10	0Y 11M 23D	26-04-13	3Y 8M 28D
21	02-03-09	25,53,222.75	17-11-15	6Y 7M 15D	18-08-09	0Y 0M 0D
22	13-03-09	10,25,727.92	22-04-09	0Y 0M 9D	30-04-09	0Y 0M 0D
22	10-00-08	10,23,727.92	22-0 <del>4-</del> 03	עפ ואוט דט	1 30-04-09	עט ואוט ו ט



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23A	18-03-09	88,222.71	26-09-16	7Y 5M 8D	30-03-09	0Y 0M 0D
24	25-03-09	12,325.80	08-09-16	7Y 4M 14D	30-03-09	0Y 0M 0D
25	02-04-09	14,93,251.07	17-11-15	6Y 6M 15D	18-08-09	0Y 0M 0D
26	13-04-09	14,75,302.98	14-09-12	3Y 4M 1D	30-04-09	0Y 0M 0D
27	06-05-09	17,66,159.11	17-11-15	6Y 5M 11D	18-08-09	0Y 0M 0D
28	21-05-09	7,01,255.89	22-02-12	2Y 8M 1D	06-08-12	2Y 8M 18D
29	05-06-09	18,58,038.00	17-11-15	6Y 4M 12D	18-08-09	0Y 0M 0D
30	24-06-09	9,59,896.30	17-11-15	6Y 3M 23D	18-08-09	0Y 0M 0D
31	02-07-09	18,94,882.22	22-02-12	2Y 6M 20D	06-08-12	2Y 7M 6D
32	10-08-09	21,20,505.00	02-02-10	0Y 4M 23D	30-09-09	0Y 0M 0D
32A	10-08-09	13,834.00	02-02-10	0Y 4M 23D	04-02-10	0Y 0M 0D
33	07-09-09	21,75,957.27	01-11-12	3Y 0M 24D	07-12-09	0Y 0M 0D
34	30-10-09	16,33,989.63	01-11-12	2Y 11M 1D	07-12-09	0Y 0M 0D
35	28-01-10	6,86,166.39	14-09-12	2Y 6M 17D	04-02-10	0Y 0M 0D
36	04-03-10	3,61,486.02	15-05-12	2Y 1M 10D	25-05-10	0Y 0M 0D
37	05-04-10	3,52,955.40	05-06-12	2Y 1M 0D	25-05-10	0Y 0M 0D
38	05-05-10	4,42,568.30	05-06-12	2Y 0M 0D	06-08-12	1Y 9M 3D
39	03-06-10	9,19,408.22	24-08-10	0Y 1M 21D	06-08-12	1Y 8M 5D
40	29-06-10	4,58,361.44	15-05-12	1Y 9M 16D	06-08-12	1Y 7M 10D
41	03-08-10	4,56,036.10	05-01-11	0Y 4M 2D	06-08-12	1Y 6M 5D
42	06-09-10	4,58,890.38	19-01-11	0Y 3M 13D	06-08-12	1Y 5M 2D
43	04-10-10	4,37,802.64	19-01-11	0Y 2M 15D	06-08-12	1Y 4M 4D
44	03-11-10	2,190.70	24-05-11	0Y 5M 20D	06-08-12	1Y 3M 5D
45	03-11-10	4,36,754.74	24-05-11	0Y 5M 20D	06-08-12	1Y 3M 5D
46	06-12-10	2,22,015.00	24-05-11	0Y 4M 17D	06-08-12	1Y 2M 2D
47	02-02-11	4,49,698.80	17-02-11	0	06-08-12	1Y 0M 6D
		4,44,119.98	22-03-11	0	06-08-12	0Y 10M 30D
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49		7,01,721.75	26-05-11	0Y 0M 12D	06-08-12	0Y 9M 26D
50		4,40,726.78	17-05-12	0Y 9M 25D	06-08-12	0Y 7M 17D
51	04-08-11	4,36,884.48	15-05-12	0Y 8M 10D	06-08-12	0Y 6M 4D
52	04-12-15	22,89,358.58	10-12-15	0	03-02-16	0Y 0M 0D
	TOTAL	7,52,98,699.00				

In terms of Para 9 (1) (A) of FEMA 20, an Indian company issuing equity shares/compulsorily convertible debentures/compulsorily convertible preference shares in accordance with these Regulations should report to the Reserve Bank of India as per the prescribed procedure not later than 30 days from the date of receipt of the amount of consideration. However the applicant company reported receipt of remittances to the Reserve Bank of India on dates indicated above in 49 out of 52 total remittances with a delay ranging from 0Y 0M 9D to 7Y 5M 8D.

In respect of remittances amounting to Rs.3,53,90,107/- (Rupees Three Crore Fifty Three Lakh Ninety Thousand One Hundred Seven and Zero Paise Only), indicated in the table above the company allotted shares/ refunded the amount after 180 days from the date of receipt of investment. Whereas in terms of para 8 of FEMA 20, an Indian company is required to issue shares or refund the amount within 180 days from the date of receipt of inward remittance. The period of delay under this para ranges from 0Y 6M 4D to 4Y 1M 22D.



**5** The company allotted equity shares/compulsorily convertible preference shares/compulsorily convertible debentures and filed FC-GPRs as indicated below:

## **Delay in filing Form FCGPR**

(whereas, "Y" represents delay in number of years, "M" represents delay in number of months and "D" represents delay in number of days, LSF stands for: Late Submission Fees, IP stands for Issue Price and FV stands for Face Value

Sr. no/ LSF	Date of allotment (DD-MM-YY)	Number of shares	IP (FV+ premium) (in INR)	Amount (IP*no of shares) (in INR)	Date of reporting (DD-MM-YY)	Delay in filing FCGPR
1	16-07-08	10000	20.00		11-08-08	0
1A		180	100000.00		11-08-08	0
2	30-03-09	10000	10.00	1,00,000.00	04-10-10	1Y 5M 4D
3	30-04-09	80000	10.00	8,00,000.00	04-10-10	1Y 4M 4D
4	30-04-09	25	100000.00	25,00,000.00	21-11-12	3Y 5M 21D
5	18-08-09	86	100000.00	86,00,000.00	26-08-09	0
6	30-09-09	21	100000.00	21,00,000.00	02-02-10	0Y 3M 3D
7	07-12-09	38	100000.00	38,00,000.00	26-08-10	0Y 7M 19D
8	04-02-10	7	100000.00	7,00,000.00	15-01-13	2Y 10M 11D
9	25-05-10	7	100000.00	7,00,000.00	03-06-10	0
10	06-08-12	8903	1000.00	89,03,000.00	30-08-12	0
11	26-04-13	26486	1000.00	2,64,86,000.00	31-07-13	0Y 2M 4D
12	03-02-16	20812	110.00	22,89,320.00	02-03-16	0
	TOTAL			7,51,78,320.00		

The applicant filed form FC-GPRs as indicated above with a delay ranging from 0Y 2M 4D to 3Y 5M 21D. Whereas, in terms of Para 9(1) (B) of FEMA 20, an Indian company issuing shares in accordance with these Regulations has to submit to RBI a report in Form FC-GPR along with documents prescribed therein within 30 days from the date of issue of shares to Non Resident.

The applicant was given an opportunity for personal hearing, for further submission in person and/or for producing documents, if any, in support of the application vide e-mail dated January 01, 2020. The applicant applied for waiver of personal hearing vide e mail dated January 02, 2020. The applicant, in the compounding application, had admitted the contraventions as stated above for which compounding has been sought. It had been submitted that the contraventions were not wilful and were unintentional. The application for compounding is, therefore, being considered on the basis of the averments made in the application as well as other documents and submissions made in this context by the applicant.



- I have given my careful consideration to the documents on record and thereafter. Accordingly, I hold that the applicant has contravened the following FEMA provisions issued in terms of:
  - (i) Para 9 (1) (A) of FEMA 20, due to the delay in reporting of receipt of foreign inward remittance towards subscription towards shares as detailed above. The contravention relates to total amount of Rs.7,21,15,522/- (Rupees Seven Crore Twenty One Lakh Fifteen Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Two and Zero Paise Only) and with a delay ranging from minimum 0Y 0M 9D to maximum 7Y 5M 8D approximately.
  - (ii) Para 9 (1) (B) of FEMA 20, due to the delay in submission of Form FC-GPR to the Reserve Bank after issue of shares to persons resident outside India and the contravention relates to total amount of Rs.3,64,86,000/- (Rupees Three Crore Sixty Four Lakh Eighty Six Thousand and Zero Paise Only) and with a delay ranging from minimum 0Y 2M 4D to maximum 3Y 5M 21D approximately.
  - (iii) Para 8 of FEMA 20, since the shares were neither issued nor the amount was refunded to the person resident outside India within the prescribed time from the date of receipt of the inward remittance. The contravention relates to total amount of Rs.3,53,90,107/- (Rupees Three Crore Fifty Three Lakh Ninety Thousand One Hundred Seven and Zero Paise Only) and with a delay ranging from minimum 0Y 6M 4D to maximum 4Y 1M 22D approximately.
  - It has been declared in the compounding application dated October 17, 2019 that the particulars given by the applicant in the application are true and correct to the best of their/his/her knowledge and belief. It has also been declared in a declaration attached to the compounding application that the applicant was not under any enquiry/investigation/adjudication by any agency as on the date of the application and has, in this regard, not informed of initiation of any such enquiry/investigation/adjudication proceedings against it/him/her thereafter. It has further been declared that the applicant has not filed any appeal under section 17 or section 19 of FEMA, 1999. Accordingly, the above contraventions which are being compounded in this Order are subject to the veracity of the above declarations made by the applicant and this order is without prejudice to any other action which may be taken by any authority under the extant laws if the said declarations are subsequently discovered to be false and/or incorrect.
- In terms of Section 13 of the FEMA, any person contravening any provision of the Act shall be liable to a penalty up to thrice the sum involved in such contravention upon adjudication. However, taking into account the relevant facts and circumstances of the case as stated in the foregoing paragraphs, I am persuaded to take a lenient view on the amount for which the contraventions are to be compounded and I consider that an amount of Rs.4,11,341/- (Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Forty One and Zero Paise Only) will meet the ends of justice.

- - Accordingly, I compound the admitted contravention/s namely, the contravention/s of Para 9 (1) (A) of FEMA 20, Para 9 (1) (B) of FEMA 20 and Para 8 of FEMA 20, by the applicant, on the facts discussed above in terms of the Foreign Exchange (Compounding Proceedings) Rules, 2000 on payment of an amount of Rs. 4,11,341/-(Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Forty One and Zero Paise Only) which shall be deposited by the applicant with the Reserve Bank of India, Foreign Exchange Department, Mumbai Regional Office, Main Building, 3rd floor, Shahid Bhagat Singh Marg, Fort, Mumbai-400001 by a demand draft drawn in favour of the "Reserve Bank of India" and payable at Mumbai within a period of 15 days from the date of this order. In case of failure to deposit the compounded amount within the above-mentioned period, Rule 10 of the Foreign Exchange (Compounding Proceedings) Rules, 2000 dated May 3, 2000 shall apply.
  - The above order is passed only in respect of contraventions of Para 9 (1) (A) of FEMA 20, Para 9 (1) (B) of FEMA 20 and Para 8 of FEMA 20 and does not restrict the rights of any other authority to proceed against the Company for any other violations/contraventions noticed at any point of time.
  - 12 The application is disposed of accordingly.

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(Aviral Jain)
Chief General Manager and
Compounding Authority

Dated: January 07, 2020