

In the

Reserve Bank of India

Foreign Exchange Department Fort Glacis, No.16, Rajaji Salai Chennai 600 001

Present

Arundhati Mech Regional Director

Date: June 16, 2017 C.A.645/2016

In the matter of

M/s. Polymatech Electronics Pvt Ltd.,

Plot OZ-13, SIPCOT Hi-Tech SEZ, Oragadam, Chennai- 602105

(Applicant)

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

Order

The applicant has filed a compounding application dated February 06, 2017 (received at Reserve Bank on February 10, 2017) for compounding of contraventions of the provisions of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (the FEMA) and the regulations issued there under. The contraventions sought to be compounded are



(i) delay in reporting of inflow of funds received from a person resident outside India for allotment of shares (ii) delay in submission of Form FC-GPR on allotment of shares with Reserve Bank and (iii) delay in allotment of shares in terms of Paragraph 9 (1) A, Paragraph 9 (1) B and Paragraph 8 respectively, of Schedule I 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 Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB).

2. The relevant facts of the case are as follows: The applicant company was incorporated on May 29, 2007 under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 (Registration No. U32107TN2007FTC063706) and is engaged in Business of manufacture of parts and accessories for computers and computer-based systems. The applicant received foreign inward remittances from (i) M/s. Polymatech (Malaysia) SDN BHD, Malaysia (ii) Polyma Asset Management Co. Ltd., Japan towards subscription to equity shares and reported the same to the Reserve Bank as below:

SI. No	Amount of Foreign Inward Remittance	Date of receipt	Reported to RBI on
	(in Rs.)		
1	1,47,00,000	05.09.2007	05.10.2007
2	1,53,00,000	17.01.2008	05.05.2008
3	4,54,25,700	31.03.2008	28.05.2008
4	5,49,14,300	03.04.2008	28.05.2008
5	1,17,30,000	23.04.2008	28.05.2008
6	4,94,70,000	10.07.2008	11.09.2008
7	4,75,30,000	10.07.2008	11.09.2008
8	6,37,00,000	05.09.2008	11.09.2008
9	6,63,00,000	05.09.2008	20.10.2008
10	4,08,00,000	07.11.2008	17.12.2008
11	4,08,00,000	07.11.2008	17.12.2008
12	7,84,00,000	17.11.2008	17.12.2008
13	4,59,00,000	09.01.2009	24.02.2009
14	4,41,00,000	27.01.2009	24.02.2009
15	1,55,00,000	18.11.2010	23.12.2010



The applicant reported receipt of remittances to the Reserve Bank on dates indicated above with delay ranging from five days to two months 18 days approximately beyond the stipulated time of 30 days in respect of the remittances at Sr. Nos. 2 to 7, 9 to 11, 13 and 15. Whereas, in terms of paragraph 9 (1) A of Schedule I to Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB, an Indian company issuing shares or convertible debentures 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.

3. The company allotted equity shares and filed FC-GPR as indicated below:

SI. No.	No. of shares/CCPs allotted	Face Value (in Rs.)	Amount (INR)	Date of allotment of shares	Reported to RBI on
1	3000000	10	3,00,00,000	14.02.2008	24.09.2008
2	58907000	10	58,90,70,000	02.04.2009	28.04.2009
3	1550000	10	1,55,00,000	11.05.2011	17.05.2011

The applicant filed the form FC-GPR as indicated above with delay of six months 10 days approximately beyond the stipulated time of 30 days in respect of the allotment at Sr. No.1. Whereas in terms of paragraph 9 (1) B of Schedule I to Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB, an Indian company issuing shares in accordance with these Regulations has to submit to Reserve Bank a report in Form FC-GPR along with documents prescribed therein within 30 days from the date of issue of shares to person resident outside India.

4. The company allotted shares on 02.04.2009 against 12 remittances as detailed below:

SI. No.	Date of receipt	Amount (INR)	Date of allotment
1	31.03.2008	4,54,25,700	02.04.2009
2	03.04.2008	5,49,14,300	02.04.2009
3	23.04.2008	1,17,30,000	02.04.2009
4	10.07.2008	4,94,70,000	02.04.2009



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5	10.07.2008	4,75,30,000	02.04.2009
6	05.09.2008	6,37,00,000	02.04.2009
7	05.09.2008	6,63,00,000	02.04.2009
8	07.11.2008	4,08,00,000	02.04.2009
9	07.11.2008	4,08,00,000	02.04.2009
10	17.11.2008	7,84,00,000	02.04.2009
11	09.01.2009	4,59,00,000	02.04.2009
12	27.01.2009	4,41,00,000	02.04.2009

The company allotted shares with delay ranging from 28 days to six months two days approximately beyond the prescribed period of 180 days against remittances at Sr. Nos. 1 to 7 without prior approval of Reserve Bank. Whereas in terms of paragraph 8 of Schedule I to Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB, read with AP (Dir Series) Circular No.20 dated December 14, 2007 the shares have to be issued/amount refunded within 180 days from the date of receipt of the inward remittance.

- 5. The applicant was given an opportunity for personal hearing vide Reserve Bank's mail dated June 14, 2017 for further submission in person and/or producing documents, if any, in support of the application. The applicant appeared for the personal hearing on June 16, 2017 during which Ms. Vaidehi Krishnamurthy and Mr. Anoop John Mathew, Chartered Accountants of M/s Velu Muthu Associates represented the applicant. The authorized representatives of the applicant admitted the contraventions as stated in para 2 to 4 above committed by the applicant for which compounding has been sought. During the personal hearing, it was submitted that the delays were unintentional. In view of the above, they requested to take a lenient view in the matter. The application for compounding is, therefore, being considered on the basis of the averments made in the applicant during the personal hearing.
- **6.** I have given my careful consideration to the documents on record and submission made by the applicant in the compounding application and during the personal hearing. Accordingly, I hold that the applicant has contravened the following FEMA provisions issued in terms of:



- (a) Paragraph 9 (1) A of Schedule 1 to Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB due to delay in reporting of receipt of inward remittances towards subscription of equity shares as detailed in paragraph 2 above. The contravention relates to an amount of ₹ 43,36,70,000/- with duration of contravention ranging from five days to two months 18 days approximately;
- (b) Paragraph 9 (1) B of Schedule 1 to Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB due to delay in submission of Form FC-GPR to the Reserve Bank after issue of shares to persons resident outside India. The contravention relates to an amount of ₹ 3,00,00,000/- with the duration of contravention of six months 10 days approximately; and
- (c) Paragraph 8 of Schedule I to Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB due to delay in allotment of shares without prior approval of Reserve Bank. The contravention relates to an amount of ₹ 33,90,70,000/- with the duration of contravention ranging from 28 days to six months two days approximately.
- 7. 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 ₹ 14,19,513/- (Rupees fourteen lakh nineteen thousand five hundred and thirteen only) will meet the ends of justice.
- **8.** Accordingly, I compound the admitted contraventions namely, the contraventions of paragraphs 9 (1) A, 9 (1) B and 8 of Schedule 1 to Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB, by the applicant on the facts discussed above in terms of the Foreign Exchange (Compounding Proceedings) Rules, 2000 on payment of an amount of ₹ 14,19,513/-(Rupees fourteen lakh nineteen thousand five hundred and thirteen only) which shall be deposited by the applicant with the Reserve Bank of India, Foreign Exchange



Department, Fort Glacis, No.16, Rajaji Salai, Chennai - 600 001 by a demand draft drawn in favour of the "Reserve Bank of India" and payable at Chennai 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 application is disposed of accordingly.

Dated this Sixteenth day of June, 2017.

Sd/-

Arundhati Mech Regional Director