Notice of Uncontested Sanctions Proceedings

January 17, 2024

Sanctions Case No. 754 IDA Credit Number 5559-MM (Myanmar Ayeyarwady Integrated River Basin Management Project)

> Respondents: Perfect Dredging Company Pvt. Ltd. Mr. Arputharaj Job Robinson Devaraj

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Dredgithe "SAE") prepared by the Bank's and appended to the Notice contained NT's agaged in Sanctionable Practices (as defined in ction with the above-named project (the I the evidence gathered by INT in support of

NT in the SAE were that the Respondents:

by entering into an arrangement with two other 'Company B," a wholly-owned subsidiary of e Company A-manufactured dredger through ed contract to procure an amphibious tract"), in an effort to increase Company A's Contract; and

by submitting multiple fraudulent documents to the "PMU") as part of a bid for the Contract, ubsequent requests for clarifications.

onducted in accordance with sub-paragraph tions Procedures, and pursuant to sub-01, and sub-paragraph 9.04 of Section III.A of consideration of the factors set forth in subhe Sanctions Procedures and in the World Bank SDO recommended in the Notice that the Affiliates (as defined in the Sanctions sanctioned as follows: <u>Respondent 1</u> Perfect Dredging Company Pvt. Ltd. ("Perfect Dredging")

Recommended Sanction: Debarment with Conditional Release Minimum Period of Ineligibility of Seven (7) Years

It is recommended that Perfect Dredging (together with any entity that is an Affiliate directly or indirectly controlled by Perfect Dredging) be declared ineligible (i) to be awarded or otherwise benefit from a Bankfinanced contract, financially or in any other manner; ¹ (ii) to be a nominated² the Managing Director of Perfect Dredging in the collusive and fraudulent schemes. The SDO did not apply any mitigating factors, or any additional aggravating factors . . .

This declaration of ineligibility will extend across the operations of the World Bank Group, including IFC, MIGA, and the guarantee and carbon finance operations of the Bank.³ The Bank will also provide notice of this declaration of ineligibility to the other multilateral development banks ("MDBs") that are party to the Agreement for Mutual Enforcement of Debarment Decisions (the "MDB Cross-Debarment Agreement") so that they may determine whether to enforce the declarations of ineligibility with respect to their own operations in accordance with the MDB Cross-Debarment Agreement and their own policies and procedures.⁴

<u>Respondent 2</u>

Mr. Arputharaj Job Robinson Devaraj ("Mr. Devaraj")

Mr.Devaraj) be declared ineible (i) to be awarded or otherwise benefit from a Bonfinanced contract, financially or in any other manner;

⁵ (ii) to be a nominated^b sub-

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⁵ For the avoidance doubt, the declaration of ineligibility to awarded a coaill in, withlimita (i) a p -qualification, expressing interest in a consultancy, and bidding, either directly or as a nomnated sub- contractor, nomnated consultant, nomnated macturer or supplier, or nomnated service provider, in respect of such contract, and (ii) entering into andumor amndmnt introducing a material mfication to any existing contract.

⁶ A nomnated sub- contractor, nomnated consultant, nomnated macturer or supplier, or nomnated service provider (different nams are used depending on the particular bidding documnt) s one which has been (i) includ by the bidder in its pre enforce the declarations of ineligibility with respect to their own operations in accordance with the MDB Cross-Debarment Agreement and their own policies and procedures.⁸

- 5. The Respondents did not submit an Explanation (as defined in the Sanctions Procedures) in accordance with sub-paragraph 4.02(b) of Section III.A of the Sanctions Procedures.
- 6. Sub-paragraph 4.04 of Section III.A of the Sanctions Procedures provides that if a respondent does not contest the accusations or the sanction recommended by the SDO in a Notice of Sanctions Proceedings by submitting a Response (as defined in the Sanctions Procedures) to the World Bank Group Sanctions Board (the "Sanctions Board") within ninety (90) days after delivery of such Notice of Sanctions Proceedings, the sanction recommended by the SDO shall enter immediately into force.
- 7. No Response having been submitted to the Sanctions Board by either Respondent within the specified period, INT's accusations in the SAE and the sanctions recommended by the SDO in the Notice are deemed uncontested for purposes of sub-paragraph 4.04 of Section III.A of the Sanctions Procedures, and the recommended sanctions set forth in paragraph 4 above have entered into force as of the date hereof.



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