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No.H-12017/55/99-LJD/Pt, the 1st October, 2002. The following Central Ordinance is hereby published for general information.

R. Lalthazuala, Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram, Law and Judicial Department.

## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE

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(Legislative Department)

New Delhi, the 24th August, 2002/Bhadra 2, 1924 (Saka)

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## THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 2002 No. 4 OF 2002

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Bromulgated by the President in the fifty-third Year of the Republic of India.

An Ordinance further to amend the Representation of the People Act, 1951.

WHEREAS Parliament is not in session and the President is satisfied circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause(1) of article 123 of the Constitution, the President is pleased to promulgate the following Ordinance :-

1. (1) This Ordinance may be called the Representation of the People (Amendment) Ordinance 2002 of the People (Amendment) Ordinance, 2002.

(2) Save as otherwise provided in this Ordinance, the provisions of this Ordinance shall come into force at once.

2. After section 33 of the Representation of the Peo-Insertion ple Act, 1951 (hereinafter referred to as the principal of new sec-Act), the following section shall be inserted, namely :tion 33 A

Right to information

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"33A. (1) A candidate shall, apart from any information which he is required to furnish, under this Act or the rules made thereunder, in his nomination paper delivered under sub-section (I) of section 33, also furnish the information as to whether-

(i) he is accused of any offence punishable with imprisonment for two years or more in a pending case in which a charge has been framed by the court of competent jurisdiction;

(ii) he has been convicted of an offence [other than any offence referred to in sub-section (1) or sub-section (2), or covered in sub-section (3), of section 8] and sentenced to imprisonment for one year or more.

(2) The candidate or his proposer, as the case may be, shall, at the time of delivering to the returning officer the nomination paper under sub-section (1) of section 33, also deliver to him an affidavit sworn by the candidate in a prescribed form verifying the information specified in sub-section(1). (3) The returning officer shall, as soon as may be after the furnishing of information to him under sub-section (1), display the aforesaid information by affixing a copy of the affidavit, delivered under sub-section (2), at a conspicuous place at his office for the information of the electors relating to a constituency for which the nomination paper is 1. At 1. delivered.".

Insertion of new section 33B

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After section 33A of the principal Act as so inserted, 3. the following section shall be inserted and shall be deemed to have been inserted with effect from the 2nd day of May, 2002, namely :- 43 of 1951

Short title , and commencement.

Candidate to furnish information only .... under the Act and the rules.

"33B. Notwithstanding anything contained in any judgment, decree or order of any court or any direction, order or any other instruction issued by the Election Commission, no candidate shall be liable to disclose or furnish any such information, in respect of his election, which is not required to be disclosed or furnished under this Act or the rules made thereunder.".

4. In Part V of the principal Act, after Chapter VII, Insertion the following Chapter shall be inserted, namely :of new Chapter VIIA.

#### **'CHAPTER VIIA**

## DECLARATION OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

of assets and abilities.

Declaration 75A. (1) Every elected candidate for a House of Parliament or the Legislature of a State shall, within nincty days from the date on which he makes and subscribes an oath or affirmation, according to the form set out or the purpose in the Third Schedule to the Constitution, for taking his seat in either House of Parliament or in the Legislative Assembly of a State or the Legislative Council of a State, as the case may be, furnish he information, relating to-

> (i) the movable and immovable property of which he is the owner or a beneficiary;

1. 1 (ii) his liabilities to any public financial institution ; and

(iii) his liabilities to the Central Government or the State Government. 

to the Chairman of the Council of States or the Speaker of the House of the People or the Chairman of the Legislative Council of a State or the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of a State, as the case may be. 

(2) The information under sub-section (I) shall be furnished in such form and in such manner as may be prescribed in the rules made under sub-section 

(3) The Chairman of the Council of States or the Speaker of the House of the People or the Chairman of the Legislative Council of a State or the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of a State, as the case may be, may make rules for the porposes of sub section (2).

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The rules made by the Chairman of the Coun-(4) cil of States or the Speaker of the House of the People or, as the case may be, by the Chairman of the Legislative Council of a State or the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of a State under subsection (3) shall be laid, as soon as may be after they are made, before the Council of States or the House of the People or the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly, as the case may be, for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions and shall take effect upon the expiry of the said period of thirty days unless they are sooner approved with or without modifications or disapproved by the Council of States or the House of the People or the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly and where they are so approved, they shall take effect on such approval in the form in which they were laid or in such modified form, as the case may be, and where they are so disapproved, they shall be of no effect.

(5) The Chairman of the Council of States or the Speaker of the House of the People or, as the case may be, the Chairman of the Legislative Council of a State or the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of a State may direct that any wilful contravention of the rules made under sub-section (3) by an elected candidate referred to in sub-section (1) may be dealt with in the same manner as a breach of privilege of the Council fof States or the House of the People or the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly, as the case may be.

Explanation-For the purposes of this section,-

(i) "immovable property" means the land and includes any building or other structure attached to the land or permanently fastened to anything which is attached to the land;

(ii) "movable property" means any other property which is not the immovable property and includes corporeal and incorporeal property of every description;

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(iii) "public financial institution" means a public financial institution within the meaning of sec-1 of 1956. tion 4A of the Companies Act, 1956 and includes bank: and

(iv) "bank" referred to in caluse (iii) means-

(a) "State Bank of India" constituted under 23 of 1955. section 3 of the State Bank of India Act. 1955:

(b) "subsidiary bank" having the meaning assigned to it in clause (k) of section 2 of the State Bank of India (Subsidiary Banks) Act. 38 of 1959. 1959:

(c) "Regional Rural Bank" established under section 3 the Regional Rural Banks Act, 1976; 21 of 1976.

(d) "corresponding new bank" having the meaning assigned to it in clause (da) of section 5 10 of 1949. of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949; and

(e) "co-operative bank" having the meaning assigned to it in clause (cci) of section 5 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 as modified by sub-clause (i) of clause (c) of section 56 of that Act.'.

10 of 1949.

5. After section 125 of the principal Act, the follo-Insertion wing section shall be inserted, namely:of new section 125A.

Penalty for "125A. A candidate who himself or through his proposer, with intent to be elected in an election,filing false affidavit. etc.

(i) fails to furnish information relating to subsection (1) of section 33A; or

(ii) gives false information which he knows or has reason to believe to be false; or

(iii) conceals any information,

in his nomination paper delivered under sub-section (1) of section 33 or in his affidavit which is required to be delivered under sub-section (2) of section 33A, as the case may be, shall, notwithstanding anything contained in any othe: aw for the time being in force, be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine, or with both.".

6. In section 169 of the principal Act, in sub-section Amendment (2), clause (a) shall be renumbered as clause (aa) there- of section of, and before clause (aa) as so renumbered, the 169. following clause shall be inserted, namely:-

"(a) the form of affidavit under sub-section (2) of section 33A,".

A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, President. À,

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Subhash C. Jain Secy. to the Govt. of India.

## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE

### (Legislative Department)

New Delhi, the 21st August, 2002/Sravana 30, 1924 (Saka)

THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST (SECOND) ORDINANCE, 2002

## No. 3 OF 2002

Promulgated by the President in the Fifty-third Year of the Republic of India.

An Ordinance to regulate securitisation and reconstruction of financial assets and enforcement of security interest and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

WHEREAS the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Ordinance, 2002 to provide for the aforesaid matters was promulgated by the President on the 21st day of June, 2002;

AND WHEREAS the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Bill, 2002 was introduced in the House of the People to replace the said Ordinance but has not been passed;

AND WHEREAS Parliament is not in session and the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action to give continued effect to the provisions of the said Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of article 123 of the Constitution, the President is pleased to promulgate the following Ordinance :--

# CHAPTER 1

## PRELIMINARY ·

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Short title, 1. (1) This Ordinance may be called the Securi-extent and disation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002.

(2) It extends to the whole of India.

(3) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 21st day of June, 2002.

Definitions. 2. (1) In this Ordinance, unless the cotext otherwise requires,—

> (a) "Appellate Tribunal" means a Debts Recovery Appellate Tribunal established under sub-section (1) of section 8 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993;

> (b) "asset reconstruction" means acquisition by any securitisation company or reconstruction company of any right cr interest of any bank or financial institution in any financial assistance for the purpose of realisation of such financial assistance;

(c) "bank" means-

(i) a banking company; or

(i) a corresponding new bank; or

(iii) the State Bank of India; or

(iv) a subsidiary bank; or

(v) such other bank which the Central Government may, by notification, specify for the purposes of this Ordinance;

(d) "banking company" shall have the meaning assigned to it in clause (c) of section 5 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949;

51 of 1993.

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(e) "Board" means the Securities and Exchange Board of India established under section 3 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992; 15 of 1992.

(f) "borrower" means any person who has been granted financial assistance by any bank or financial institution or who has given any guarantee or created any mortgage or pledge as security for the financial assistance granted by any bank or financial institution and includes a person who becomes borrower of a securitisation company or reconstruction company consequent upon acquisition by it of any rights or interest of any bank or financial institution in relation to such financial assistance;

(g) "Central Registry" means the registry set up or cause to be set up under sub-section (1) of section 20:

(h) "corresponding new bank" shall have the meaning assigned to it in clause (da) of section 5 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949;

(i) "Debts Recovery Tribunal" means the Tribunal established under sub-section (1), of section 3 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act. 1993:

(j) "default" means non-payment of any principal debt or interest thereon or any other amount payable by a borrower to any secured creditor consequent upon which the account of such berrower is classified as non-performing asset in the books of account of the secured creditor in accordance with the directions or guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank:

(k) "financial assistance" means any loan or advance granted or any debentures or bonds subscribed or any guarantees given or letters of credit established or any other credit facility extended by any bank or financial institution;

(1) "financial asset" means debt or receivables and includes-

(i) a claim to any debt or receivables or part thereof, whether secured or unsecured; or

(ii) any debt or receivables secured by, mortgage of, or charge on, immovable property; or

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(iii) a mortgage, charge, hypothecation or pledge of movable property; or

(iv) any right or interest in the security, whether full or part underlying such debt or receivable; or

(v) any beneficial interest in property, whether movoble or immovable, or in such debt, receivables, whether such interest is existing, future, accruing, conditional or contingent; or

(vi) any financial assistance;

(m) "financial institution" means -

(i) a public financial institution within the meaning of section 4A of the Companies Act, 1956;

(ii) any institution specified by the Central Government under sub-clause (ii) of clause (h) of section 2 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993;

(iii) International Finance Corporation established under the International Finance Corporation (Status, Immunities and Privileges) Act, 1958;

(iv) any other institution or non-banking financial company as defined in clause (f) of section 45-I of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, which the Central Government may, by notification, specify as financial institution for the purposes of this Ordinance;

(n) "hypothecation" means a charge in or upon any movable property, existing or future, created by a borrower in favour of a secured creditor without delivery of possession of the movable property to such creditor, as a security for financial assistance and includes floating charge and crystallisation of such charge into fixed charge on movable property:

(c) "non-performing asset" means an asset or account of a borrower, which has been classified by a bank or financial institution as sub-standard, doubtful or loss asset, in accordance with the directions or under guidelines relating to asset classifications issued by the Reserve Bank;

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(p) "notification" means a notification published in the Official Gazette;

(q) "obligor" means a person liable to the originator, whether under a contract or otherwise, to pay a financial asset or to discharge any obligation in respect of a financial asset, whether existing, future conditional or contingent and includes the borrower;

(r) "originator" means the owner of a financial asset which is aquired by a securitisation company or reconstruction company for the purpose of securitisation or asset reconstruction;

(s) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules made under this Ordinance;

(t) "property" means—

(i) immovable property;

(ii) movable property;

(iii) any debt or any right to receive payment of money, whether secure or unsecured;

(iv) receivables, whether existing or future;

(v) intangible assets, being know-how, patent, copyright, trade mark, licence, franchise or any other business or commercial right of similar nature;

(u) "qualified institutional buyer" means a financial institution, insurance company, bank, state financial corporation, state industrial development corporation, trustee or any asset management company making investment on behalf of mutual fund or provident fund or gratuity fund or pension fund or a foreign institutional investor registered under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 or regulations made thereunder, or any other body corporate as may be specified by the Board;

(v) "reconstruction company" means a company formed and registered under the Companies Act, 1 of 1950. 1956 for the purpose of asset reconstruction;

(w) "Registrar of companies" means the registrar 1 of 1956. defined in clause (40) of section-2 of the Companies Act, 1956;

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(x) "Reserve Bank" means the Reserve Bank of Iqdia constituted under section 3 of the Reserve 2 of 1934. Bank of India Act, 1934.

(y) "scheme" means a scheme inviting subscription to security receipts proposed to be issued by a securitisation company or reconstruction company under that scheme;

(z) "securitisation" means acquisition of financial assets by any securitisation company or reconstruction company from any originator, whether by raising of funds by such securitisation company or reconstruction company from qualified institutional buyers by issue of security receipts representing undivided interest in such financial assets or otherwise;

(7a) "securitisation company" means any company 1 formed and registered under the Companies Act, 1956 for the purpose of securitisation;

(zb) "security agreement" means an agreement, instrument or any other document or arrangement under which security interest is created in fayour of the secured creditor including the creation of mortgage by deposit of title deeds with the secured creditor;

(zc) "secured asset" means the property on which security interest created;

(zd) "secured creditor" means any bank or financial institution or any consortium or group of banks or financial institutions and includes—

> (i) debenture trustee appointed by any bank or financial institution; or;

> (ii) securitisation company or reconstruction company; or

(iii) any other trustee holding securities on behalf of a bank of financial institution,

in whose favour security interest is created for due repayment by any borrower or any financial assistance.

(zc) "secured debt" means a debt which is secured by any security interest;

(zf) "security interest" means right, title and interest of any kind whatsoever upon property, created in

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favour of any secured creditor and includes any mortgage, charge, hypothecation, assignment other than those specified in section 31;

> (zg) "Security receipt" means a receipt or other security, issued by a securitisation company or reconstruction company to any qualified institutional buyer pursuant to a scheme, evidencing the purchase or acquisition by the holder thereof, of an undivided right, title or interest in the financial asset involved in securitisation.

(zh) "sponsor" means any person holding not less than ten per cent. of the paid-up equity capital of a securitisation company or reconstruction company;

(zi) "State Bank of India" means the State Bank of India constituted under section 3 of the State Bank of India Act, 1955;

38 of 1959.

23 of 1955.

(zj) "subsidiary bank" shall have the meaning assigned to it in clause (k) of section 2 of the State Bank of India (Subsidiary Banks) Act, 1959.

9 of 1872. 4 of 1882. 1 of 1956. 15 of 1992. (2) Words and expressions used and not defined in this Ordinance but defined in the Indian Contract Act, 1872 or the Transfer of Property Act, 1882 or the Companies Act, 1956 or the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 shall have the same meanings respectively assigned to them in those Acts.

## CHAPTER II

## REGULATION OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINAN-CIAL ASSETS OF BANKS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

3. (1) No securitisation company or reconstruction Registration company shall commence or carry on the business of of securitisation or asset reconstruction without-

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(a) obtaining a certificate of registration granted under this section; and

(b) having the owned fund of not less than two crore rupces or such other amount not exceeding fifteen per cent. of total financial assets acquired or to be acquired by the securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the Reserve Bank may, by notification, specify :

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Provided that the Reserve Bank may, by notification, specify different amounts of owned fund for different class or classes of securitisation companies or reconstruction companies :

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Provided further that a securitisation company or reconstruction company, existing on the commencement of this Ordinance, shall make an application for registration to the Reserve Bank before the expiry of six months from such commencement and notwithstanding anything contained in this sub-section may continue to carry on the business of securitisation or asset reconstruction until a certificate of registration is granted to it or, as the case may be, rejection of application for registration is communicated to it.

(2) Every securitisation company or reconstruction company shall make an application for registration to the Reserve Bank in such form and manner as it may specify.

(3) The Reserve Bank may, for the purpose of considering the application for registration of a securitisation company or reconstruction company to commence or carry on the business of securitisation or asset reconstruction, as the case may be require to be satisfied, by an inspection of records or books of such securitisation company or reconstruction company, or otherwise, that the following conditions are fulfilled, namely :-

(a) that the securitisation company or reconstruction company has not incurred losses in any of the three preceding financial years;

(b) that such securitisation company or reconstruction company has made adequate arrangements for realisation of the financial assets acquired for the purpose of securitisation or asset reconstruction and shall be able to pay periodical returns and redeem on respective due dates on the investments made in the company by the qualified institutional buyers or other persons;

(c) that the directors of securitisation company or reconstruction company have adequate professional experience in matters related to finance, securitisation and reconstruction; (d) that the board of directors of such securitisation company or reconstruction company does not consist of more than half of its total number of directors who are either nominees of any sponsor or associated in any manner with the sponsor or any of its subsidiaries;

(e) that any of its directors has not been convicted of any offence involving moral turpitude;

(f) that a sponsor, is not a holding company of the securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the case may be, or, does not otherwise hold any controlling interest in such securitisation company or reconstruction company;

(g) that the securitisation company or reconstruction company has complied with or is in a position to comply with prudential norms specified by the Reserve Bank.

(4) The Reserve Bank may, after being satisfied that the conditions specified in sub-section (3) are fulfilled, grant a certificate of registration to the securitisation company or the reconstruction company to commence or carry on business of securitisation or asset reconstruction, subject to such conditions, which it may consider, fit to impose.

(5) The reserve Bank may reject the application made under sub section (2) if it is satisfied that the conditions specified in sub-section (3) are not fulfilled:

Provided that before rejecting the application, the applicant shall be given a reasonable opportunity of being heard.

(6) Every securitisation company or reconstruction company, shall obtain prior approval of the Reserve Bank for any substantial change in its management or change of location of its registered office or change in its name:

Provided that the decision of the Reserve Bank, whether the change in management of a securitisation company or a reconstruction company is a substantial change in its management or not, shall be final. EXPLANATION.— For the purposes of this section, the expression "substantial change in management" means the change in the management by way of transfer of shares or amalgamation or transfer of the business of the company.

Cancellation 4. (1) The Reserve Bank may cancel a certificate of registration granted to a securitisation company or a recate of construction company, if such company—

> (a) ceases to carry on the business of securitisation or asset reconstruction ; or

> (b) ceases to receive or hold any investment from a qualified institutional buyer;

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(c) has failed to comply with any conditions subject to which the certificate of registration has been granted to it; or

(d) at any time fails to fulfil any of the conditions referred to in clauses (a) to (g) of subsection (3) of section 3; or

(e) fails to --

(i) comply with any direction issued by the Reserve Bank under the provisions of this Ordinance; or

(ii) maintain accounts in accordance with the requirements of any law or any direction or order issued by the Reserve Bank under the provisions of this Ordinance; or

(iii) submit or offer for inspection its books of account or other relevant documents when so demanded by the Reserve Bank; or

(iv) obtain prior approval of the Reserve Bank required under sub-section (6) of section 3:

Provided that before cancelling a certificate of registration on the ground that the securitisation company or reconstruction company has failed to comply with the provisions of clause (c) or has failed to fulfil any of the conditions referred to in clause (d) or sub-clause (iv) of clause (e), the Reserve Bank, unless it is of the opinion that the delay in cancelling the certificate of registration granted under sub-section (4) of section 3 shall be prejudicial to the public interest or the interests of the investors or the securitisation company or the reconstruction company, shall give an opportunity to such company on such terms as the Reserve Bank may specify for taking necessary steps to comply with such provisions or fulfilment of such conditions.

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(2) A securitisation company or reconstruction company aggrieved by the order of rejection of application for registration or cancellation of certificate of registration may prefer an appeal, within a period of thirty days from the date on which such order of rejection or cancellation is communicated to it, to the Central Government.

Provided that before rejecting an appeal such company shall be given a reasonable opportunity of being heard.

(3) A securitisation company or reconstruction company, which is holding investments of qualified institutional buyers and whose application for grant of certificate of registration has been rejected or certificate of registration has been cancelled shall, notwithstanding such rejection or cancellation, be deemed to be a securitisation company or reconstruction company until it repays the entire investments held by it (together with interest, if any) within such period as the Reserve Bank may direct.

5. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in any agreement or any other law for the time being in force, any securitisation company or reconstruction company may acquire financial assets of any bank or financial institution —

(a) by issuing a debenture or bond or any other security in the nature of the debenture, for consideration agreed upon between such company and the bank or financial institution, incorporating therein such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between them; or

(b) by entering into an agreement with such bank or financial institution for the transfer of such financial assets to such company on such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between them.

(2) If the bank or financial institution is a lender in relation to any financial assets acquired under

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sub-section (1) by the securitisation company or the reconstruction company, such securitisation company or reconstruction company shall, on such acquisition, be demed to be the lender and all the rights of such bank or financial institution shall vest in such company in relation to such financial assets.

(3) Unless otherwise expressly provided by this Ordinance, all contracts, deeds, bonds, agreements, powers-of attorney grants of legal representation, permissions, approvals, consents or no objections under any law or otherwise and other instruments of whatever nature which relate to the said financial asset and which are subsisting or having effect immediately before the acquisition of financial asset under sub-section (1) and to which the concerned bank or financial institution is a party or which are in favour of such bank or financial institution shall, after the acquisition of the financial assets, be of as full force and effect against or in favour of the securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the case may be, and may be enforced or acted upon as fully and effectually as if, in the place of the said bank of financial institution, the securitisation company or the reconstruction company, as the case may be, had been a party thereto or as if they had been issued in favour of the securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the case may be.

(4) If, on the date of acquisition of financial asset under sub-section (1), any suit, appeal or other proceeding of whatever nature relating to the said financial asset is pending by or against the bank or financial institution, save as provided in the third proviso to sub-section (1) of section 15 of the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985, the same shall not abate; or be discontinued or be, in any way, prejudicially affected by reason of the acquisition of financial asset by the securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the case may be, but the suit, appeal or other proceeding may be continued, prosecuted and enforced by or against the securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the case may be.

Notice to discharge

6. (1) The bank or financial institution may, if it conobligor and siders appropriate, give a notice of acquisition of financial assets by any securitisation company or reconstrucof obligation company, to the concerned obligor and any other

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concerned person and to the concerned registering authority (including Registrar of Companies) in whose jurisdiction the mortgage, charge, hypothecation, assignment or other interest created on the financial assets had been registered.

(2) Where a notice of acquisition of financial asset under sub-section (1) is given by a bank or financial institution, the obligor, on receipt of such notice, shall make payment to the concerned securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the case may be, and payment made to such company in discharge of any of the obligations in relation to the financial asset specified in the notice shall be a full discharge to the obligor making the payment from all liability in respect of such payment.

(3) Where no notice of acquisition of financial asset under sub-section (1) is given by any bank or financial institution, any money or other properties subsequently received by the bank or financial institution, shall constitute monies or properties held in trust for the benefit of and on behalf of the securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the case may be, and such bank or financial institution shall hold such payment or property which shall forthwith be made over or delivered to such securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the case may be, or its agent duly authorised in this behalf.

Issue of security by raising of receipts or funds by securitisation company or reconstruction company.

7. (1) Without prejudice to the provisions contained 1 of 1956. in the Companies Act, 1956, the Securities Contracts 42 of 1956. (Regulation) Act, 1956 and the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992, any securitisation company or reconstruction company, may, after acquisition of any financial asset under sub-section (1) of section 5, offer security receipts to qualified institutional buyers (other than by offer to public) for subscription in accordance with the provisions of those Acts.

(2) A securitisation company or reconstruction company may raise funds from the qualified institutional buyers by formulating schemes for acquiring financial assets and shall keep and maintain separate and distinct accounts in respect of each such scheme for every financial asset acquired out of investments made by a qualified institutional buyer and ensure that realisations of such financial

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asset is held and applied towards redemption of investments and payment of returns assured on such investments under the relevant scheme.

(3) In the event of non-realisation under subsection (2) of financial assets, the qualified institutional buyers of a securitisation company or reconstruction company holding security receipts of not less than seventy-five per cent. of the total value of the security receipts issued by such company, shall be entitled to call a meeting of all the qualified institutional buyers and every resolution passed in such meeting shall be binding on the company.

(4) The qualified institutional buyers shall, at a meeting called under sub-section (3), follow the same procedure, as nearly as possible as is followed at meetings of the board of directors of the securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the case may be.

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Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section
(1) of section 17 of the Registration Act, 1908.--

(a) any security receipt issued by the securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the case may be, under sub-section (1) of section 7, and not creating, declaring, assigning, limiting or extinguishing any right, title or interest, to or in immovable property except in so far as it entitles the holder of the security receipt to an undivided interest afforded by a registered instrument; or

(b) any transfer of security receipts, shall not require compulsory registration.

9. Without prejudice to the provisions contained in any Measures other law for the time being in force, a securiti- for assets sation company or reconstruction company may, for reconstructhe purposes of asset reconstruction, having regard to the guidelines framed by the Reserve Bank in this behalf, provide for any one or more of the following measures namely :--

(a) the proper management of the business of the borrower, by change in, or take over of, the management, of the business of the borrower;

(b) the sale or lease of a part or whole of the business of the borrower;

Exemption from registration of security receipt. (c) rescheduling of payment of debts payable by the borrower;

(d) enforcement of security interest in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance;

(e) settlement of dues payable by the borrower;

(f) taking possession of secured assets in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

10. (1) Any securitisation company or reconstruction company registered under section 3 may—

(a) act as an agent for any bank or financial institution for the purpose of recovering their dues from the borrower on payment of such fee or charges as may be mutually agreed upon between the parties;

(b) act as a manager refferred to in clause (c) of sub-section (4) of section 13 on such fee as may be mutually agreed upon between the parties;

(c) act as receiver if appointed by any court or tribunal:

Provided that no securitisation company or reconstruction company shall act as a manager if acting as such gives rise to any pecuniary liability.

(2) Save as otherwise provided in sub-section (1), no securitisation company or reconstruction company which has been granted a certificate of registration under sub-section (4) of section 3, shall commence or carry on, without prior approval of the Reserve Bank, any business other than that of securitisation or asset reconstruction;

Provided that a securitisation company or reconstruction company which is carrying on, on or before the commencement of this Ordinance, any business other than the business of securitisation or asset reconstruction or business referred to in sub-section(1), shall cease to carry on any such business within one year from the date of commencement of this Ordinance.

Explanation.— For the purposes of this section, "securitisation company" or "reconstruction company" does not include its subsidiary.

11. Where any dispute relating to securitisation or re- Res construction or non-payment of any amount due inclu- of a ding interest arises amongst any of the parties, namely,

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the bank or financial institution or a securitisation company or reconstruction company or qualified institutional buyer, such dispute shall be settled by conciliation or arbitration as provided in the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, as if the parties to the dispute have consented in writing for determination of such dispute by conciliation or arbitration and the provisions of that Act shall apply accordingly.

Power of Reserve Bank to dedirection

12. (1) If the Reserve Bank is satisfied that in the public interest or to regulate financial system of the country to its advantage or to prevent the affairs of termine pol- any securitisation company or reconstruction company licy and Issue from being conducted in a manner detrimental to the interest of investors or in any manner prejudicial to the interest of such securitisation company or reconstruction company, it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may determine the policy and give directions to all or any securitisation company or reconstruction company in matters relating to income recognition, accounting standards, making provisions for bad and doubtful debts, capital adequacy based on risk weights for assets and also relating to deployment of funds by the securitisation company or reconstruction company, as the case may be, and such company shall be bound to follow the policy so determined and the directions so issued.

> (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the power vosted under sub-section(1), the Reserve Bank may give directions to any securitisation company or reconstruction company generally or to a class of securitisation companies or reconstruction companies or to any securitisation company or reconstruction company in particular as to-

(a) the type of financial asset of a bank or financial institution which can be acquired and procedure for acquisition of such assets and valuation thereof;

(b) the aggregate value of financial assets which may be acquired by any securitisation company or reconstruction company.

## CHAPTER III

## ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST

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13. (1) Nothwitstanding anything contained in section 69 or section 69A of the Transfer of Property curity inte- Act, 1882, any security interest created in favour of any secured creditor may be enforced, without the intervention of court tribunal, by such creditor in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

> (2) Where any borrower, who is under a liability to a secured creditor under a security agreement, makes any default in repayment of secured debt or any instalment thereof, and his account in respect of such debt is classified by the secured creditor as non performing asset, then, the secured creditor may require the borrower by notice in writing to discharge in full his liabilities to the secured creditor within sixty days from the date of notice failing which the secured creditor shall be entitled to exercise all or any of the rights under sub-section (4).

(3) The notice referred to in sub-section (2) shall give details of the amount payable by the borrower and the secured assets intended to be enforced by the secured creditor in the event, of non-payment of secured debts by the borrower.

(4) In case the borrower fails to discharge his liability in full within the period specified in sub-section (2), the secured creditor may take recourse to one or more of the following measures to recover his secured debt, namely: -

(a) take possession of the secured assets of the borrower including the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising the secured asset:

(b) take over the management of the secured assets of the borrower including the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale and realise the secured asset:

(c) appoint any person (hereafter referred to as the manager) to manage the secured assets the possession of which has been taken over by the secured creditor:

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(d) require at any time by notice in writing, any person who has acquired any of the secured assets from the borrower and from whom any money is due or may become due to the borrower, to pay the secured creditor, so much of the money as is sufficient to pay the secured debt.

(5) Any payment made by any person referred to in clause (d) of sub-section (4) to the secured creditor shall give such person a valid discharge as if he has made payment to the borrower.

(6) Any transfer of secued asset after taking possession thereof or take over of management under sub-section (4), by the secured creditor or by the manager on behalf of the secured creditors shall vest in the transferee all rights in, or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer had been made by the owner of such secured asset.

(7) Where any action has been taken against a borrower under the provisions of sub-section (4), all costs, charges and expenses which, in the opinion of the secured creditor, have been properly incurred by him or any expenses incidental thereto, shall be recoverable from the borrower and the money which is received by the secured creditor shall, in the absence of any contract to the contrary, be held by him in trust, to be applied, firstly, in payment of such costs, charges and expenses and secondly, in discharge of the dues of the secured creditor and the residue of the money so received shall be paid to the person entitled thereto in accordance with his rights and interests.

(8) If the dues of the secured creditor together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by him are tendered to the secured creditor at any time before the date fixed for sale or transfer, the secured asset shall not be sold or transferred by the secured creditor, and no further step shall be taken by him for transfer or sale of that secured asset.

(9) In the case of financing of a financial asset by more than one secured creditors or joint financing of a financial asset by secured creditors, no secured creditor shall be entitled to exercise any or all of the rights conferred on him under or pursuant to sub-section (4) unless exercise of such right is

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agreed upon by the secured creditors representing not less than three-fourth in value of the amount outstanding as on a record date and such action shall be binding on all the secured creditors:

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Provided that in the case of a company in liquidation, the amount realised from the sale of secuted assets shall be distributed in accordance with the provisions of section 529A of the Companies Act, 1956:

Provided further that in the case of a company being wound up on or after the commencement of this Ordinance, the secured creditor of such company, who opts to realise his security instead of relinquishing his security and proving his debt under proviso to sub-section (1) of section 529 of the Companies Act, 1956, may retain the sale proceeds of his secured assets after depositing the workmen's dues with the liquidator in accordance with the provisions of section 529A of that Act:

Provided also that the liquidator referred to in the second proviso shall intimate the secured creditor the workmen's dues in accordance with the provisions of section 529A of the Companies Act, 1956 and in case such workmen's dues cannot be ascertained, the liquidator shall intimate the estimated amount of workmen's dues under that section to the secured creditor and in such case the secured creditor may retain the sale proceeds of the secured assets after depositing the amount of such estimated dues with the liquidator:

Provided also that in case the secured creditor deposits the estimated amount of workmen's dues, such creditor shall be liable to pay the balance of the workmen's dues or entitled to receive the excess amount, if any, deposited by the secured creditor with the liquidator:

Provided also that the secured creditor shall furnish an undertaking to the liquidator to pay the balance of the workmen's dues, If any.

Explanation :- For the purposes of this subsection,-

(a) "record date" means the date agreed upon by the secured creditors representing not less than three-fourth in value of the amount outstanding on such date;

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(b) "amount outstanding" shall include principal, interest and any other dues payable by the borrower to the secured creditor in respect of secured asset as per the books of account of the secured creditor.

(10) Where dues of the secured creditor are not fully satisfied with the sale proceeds of the secured assets, the secured creditor may file an application in the form and manner as may be prescribed to the Debts Recovery Tribunal having jurisdiction or a competent court, as the case may be, for recovery of the balance amount from the borrower.

(11) Without prejudice to the rights conferred on the secured creditor under or by this section, the secured creditor shall be entitled to proceed against the guarantors or sell the pledged assets without first taking any of the measures specified in clauses (a) to (d) of sub-section (4) in relation to the secured assets under this Ordinance.

(12) The rights of a secured creditor under this Ordinance may be exercised by one or more of this officers authorised in this behalf in such manner as may be prescribed.

(13) No borrower shall, after receipt of notice referred to in sub-section (2), transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of his business) any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written consent of the secured creditor

14. (1) Where the possession of any secured asset is required to be taken by the secured creditor or if any of the secured asset is required to be sold or transferred by the secured creditor under the provisions of this Ordinance, the secured creditor may, for the purpose of taking possession or control of any such sesecured cre- cured asset, request, in writing, the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate or the District Magistrate within whose jurisdiction any such secured asset or other documents ssion of se- relating thereto may be situated or found, to take possession thereof and the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate or, as the case may be, the District Magistrate shall, on such request being made to him --

> (a) take possession of such asset and documents relating thereto; and

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(b) forward such asset and documents to the secured creditor.

(2) For the purpose of securing compliance with the provisions of sub-section (1), the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate or the District Magistrate may take or cause to be taken such steps and use, or cause to be used, such force, as may, in his opinion, be necessary.

(3) No act of the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate or the District Magistrate done in pursuance of this section shall be called in question in any court or before any authority.

Manner and effect of take over of management. 15. (1) When the management of business of a borrower is taken over by a secured creditor, the secured creditor may, by publishing a notice in a newspaper published in English language and in a newspaper published in an Indian language in circulation in the place where the principal office of the borrower is situated, appoint as many persons as it thinks fit-

(a) in a case in which the borrower is a company as defined in the Companies Act, 1956, to be the directors of that borrower in accordance with the provisions of that Act; or

(b) in any other case, to be the administrator of the business of the borrower.

(2) On publication of a notice under sub section (1),

(a) in any case where the borrower is a company as defined in the Companies Aci, 1956, all persons holding office as directors of the company and in any other case, all persons holding any office having power of superintendence, direction and control of the business of the borrower immediately before the publication of the notice under sub-section (1), shall be deemed to have vacated their office as such;

(b) any contract of management between the borrower and any director or manager thereof holding office as such immediately before publication of the notice under sub-section (1), shall be deemed to be terminated;

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(c) the directors or the administrators appointed under this section shall take such steps as may be necessary to take into their custody or under their control all the property, effects and actionable claims to which the business of the borrower is, or appears to be, entitle and all the property and effects of the business of the borrower shall be deemed to be in the custody of the directors or administrators, as the case may be, as from the date of the publication of the notice;

(d) the directors appointed under this section shall, for all purposes, be the directors of the company of the borrower and such directors or as the case may be, the administrators appointed under this section, shall alone be entitled to exercise all the powers of, the directors or, as the case may be, of the persons exercising power of superintendence, direction and control, of the business of the borrower whether such powers are derived from the memorandum or articles of association of the company of the borrower or from any other source whatsoever.

(3) Where the management of the business of a borrower, being a company as defined in the Companies Act, 1956, is taken over by the secured creditor, then, notwithstanding anything contained in the said Act or in the memorandum or articles of association of such borrower, --

(a) it, shall not be lawful for the shareholder of such company or any other person to nominate or appoint any person to be a director of the company;

(b) no resolution passed at any meeting of the shareholders of such company shall be given effect to unless approved by the secured creditors;

(d) no proceeding for the winding up of such company or for the appointment of a receiver in respect thereof shall lie in any court, except with the consent of the secured creditor.

(4) Where the management of the business of a borrower had been taken over by secured creditor the secured creditor shall, on realisation of his debt

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16. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any contract or in any other law for the time being in force, no managing director or any other director or a manager or any person in charge of management of the business of the borrower shall be entitled to any compensation for the loss of office or for premature termination under this Ordinance of any contract of management entered into by him with the borrower.

(2) Nothing contain in sub-section (1) shall effect the right of any such managing director or any other director or manager or any such person in charge of management to recover from the business of the borrower, moneys recoverable otherwise than by way of such compensation.

17. (1) Any person (including borrower) aggrieved by any of the measures referred to in sub-section (4) of section 13 taken by the secured creditor or his authorised officer under this Chapter, may prefer an appeal to the Debts Recovery Tribunal having jurisdiction in the matter within forty-five days from the date on which such measures had been taken.

(2) Where an appeal is preferred by a borrower such appeal shall not be entertained by the Debts Recovery Tribunal unless the borrower has deposited with the Debts Recovery Tribunal seventyfive per cent. of the amount claimed in the notice referred to in sub section (2) of section 13:

Provided that the Debts Recovery Tribunal may, for reasons to be recorded in writing, waive or reduce the amount to be deposited under this section.

(3) Save as otherwise provided in this Ordinance, the Debts Recovery Tribunal shall, as far as may be, dispose of the appeal in accordance with the provisions of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financail Instutions Act, 1993 and rules made thereunder.

18. (1) Any person aggrieved by any order made by the Debts Recovery Tribunal under section 17 may prefer an appeal to the Appellate Tribunal within thirty days from the date of receipt of the order of Debts Recovery Tribunal.

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(2) Save as otherwise provided in this Ordinance, the Appellate Tribunal shall, as far as may be, dispose of the appeal in accordance with the provisions of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 and rules made thereunder.

19. If the Debts Recovery Tribunal or the Appellate Tribunal as the case may be, on an appeal filed under section 17, or section 18, holds the possession of secured assets by the secured creditor as wrongful and directs the secured creditor to return such secured assets to the concerned borrower, such borrower shall be entitled to payment of such compensation and costs as may be determined by such Tribunal or the Appellate Tribunal.

## CHAPTER IV

### CENTRAL REGISTRY

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> 20. (1) The Central Government may, by notification, set up or cause to be set up from such date as it may specify in such notification, a registry to be known as the Central Registry with its own seal for the purposes of registration of transaction of securitisation and reconstruction of financial assets and creation of security interest under this Ordinance.

> (2) The head office of the Central Registry shall be at such place as the Central Government may specify and for the purpose of facilitating registration of transactions referred to in sub-section (1), there may be established at such other places as the Central Government may think fit, branch offices of the Central Registry.

> (3) The Central Government may, by notification, define the territorial limits within which an office of the Central Registry may exercise its functions.

(4) The provisions of this Ordinance pertaining to the Central Registry shall be in addition to and not in derogation of any of the provisions contained in the Registration Act, 1908, the Companies Act, 1956, the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958, the Patents Act, 1970, the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, and the Designs Act, 2000 or any other law requiring registration of charges and shall not affect the priority of charges or validity thereof under those Acts or laws;

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Registrar.

21. (1) The Central Government may, by notification, appoint a person for the purpose of registration of transactions relating to securitisation, reconstruction of financial assets and security interest created over properties, to be known as the Central Registrar.

(2) The Central Government may appoint such other officers with such designations as it thinks fit for the purpose of discharging, under the superintendence and direction of the Central Registrar, such functions of the Central Registrar under this Ordinance as he may, from time to time, authorise them to discharge:

Register of 2 securitisation, reconstruction and security interest transactions

22. (1) For the purposes of this Ordinance, a record called the Central Register shall be kept at the bead office of the Central Registry for entering the purdeulars of the transactions relating to

(a) "securitisation of financial assets ;

(b) reconstruction of financial assets; and

(c) creation of security interest

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in subsection (1), it shall be lawful for the Central Registrar to keep the records wholly or partly in computer, floppies, diskettes or in any other electronic form subject to such safeguards as may be prescribed.

(3) Where such register is maintained wholly or partly on computer, floppies, diskettes or in any other electronic form, under sub-section (2), any reference in this Ordinance to entry in the Central Register shall be construed as a reference to any entry as maintained on computer or in any other electronic form.

(4) The register shall be kept under the control and management of the Central Registrar.

23. The particulars of every transaction of securitisation, asset reconstruction or creation of security interest shall be filed, with the Central Registrar in the manner and on payment of such fee as may be prescribed, within thirty days after the date of such transaction or

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recreation of security, by the securitisation company or c reconstruction company or the secured creditor, as the t case may be:

Provided that the Central Registrar may allow the interest. filing of the particulars of such transaction or creation of security interest within thirty days next following the expiry of the said period of thirty days on payment of such additional fee not exceeding ten times the amount of such fee.

24. Whenever the terms or conditions, or the extent or operation, of any security interest registered under this Chapter, are, or is, modified, it shall be the duty of the securitisation company or the reconstruction company or the secured creditor, as the case may be, to send to the Central Registrar, the particulars of such modification, and the provisions of this Chapter as to registration of a security interest shall apply to such modification of such security interest.

25. (1) The securitisation company or the reconstruction company or the secured creditor, as the case may be, shall give intimation to the Central Registrar of the payment or satisfaction in full, of any security interest relating to the securitisation company or the reconstruction company or the secured creditor and requiring registration under this Chapter, within thirty days from the date of such payment or satisfaction.

(2) The Central Registrar shall, on receipt of such intimation, cause a notice to be sent to the securitisation company or reconstruction company or the secured creditor calling upon it to show cause within a time not exceeding fourteen days specified in such notice, as to why payment or satisfaction should not be recorded as intimated to the Central Registrar.

(3) If no cause is shown, the Central Registrar shall order that a memorandum of satisfaction shall be entered in the Central Register.

(4) If cause is shown, the Central Registrar shall record a note to that effect in the Central Register, and shall inform the borrower that he has done so.

26. (1) The particulars of securitisation or reconstruction or security interest entered in the Central Register of such transactions kept under section 22 shall be open during the business hours for inspection by any person on payment of such fee as may be prescribed. construction and creation of security interest

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Securitisation company or reconstruction company or secured creditor to report satisfaction of security interest.

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(2) The Central Register referred to in sub-section (1) maintained in electronic form, shall also be open during the business hours for the inspection of any person through electronic media on payment of such fee as may be prescribed.

## CHAPTER V

## OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

27. If a default is made -

(a) in filing under section 23, the particulars of every transaction of any securitisation or asset reconstruction or security interest created by a securitisation company or reconstruction company or secured creditor; or

(b) in sending under section 24, the particulars of the modification referred to in that section; cr

(c) in giving intimation under section 25, every company and every officer of the company or the secured creditor and every officer of the secured creditor who is in default shall be punishable with fine which may extend to five thousand rupees for every day during which the default continues.

Penalties for non compliance of direction of Bank. 28. If any securitisation company or reconstruction company fails to comply with any direction issued by the Reserve Bank under section 12, such company and every officer of the Gompany who is in default, shall be punishable with fine which may extend to five lakh rupees and in the case of a continuing offence, with an additional fine which may extend to ten thousand rupees for every day during which the default continues.

Offences. 29. If any person contravenes or attempts to contravene or abets the contravention of the provisions of this Ordinance or of any rules made thersunder, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year, or with fine, or with both.

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## CHAPTER VI

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31. The provisions of this Ordinance shall not apply to-**Provisions** of this Or-(a) a lien on any goods, money or security given by or under the Indian Contract Act, 1872 or the dinance not 9 of 1872. to apply in Sale of Goods Act, 1930 or any other law for the certain case. 3 of 1930. time being in force: (b) a pledge of movables within the meaning of section 172 of the Indian Contract Act, 1872; 9 of 1872. (c) creation of any security in any aircraft as defined in clause (1) of section 2 of the Aircraft Act, 1934; 24 of 1934. (d) creation of security interest in any vessel as defined in clause (55) of section 3 of tee Merchant 44 of 1958. Shipping Act, 1958; (e) any conditional sale, hire-purchase or lease or any other contract in which no security interest has been created; (f) any rights of unpaid seller under section 47 of the Sale of Geode Act, 1930; 3 of 1930. (g) any properties not liable to attachment or sale under the first proviso to sub-section (1) of section 5 •f 1908. 60 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908; (h) any security interest for securing repayment of any financial asset not exceeding one lakh rupees; (i) any security interest created in agricultural land; (j) any case in which the amount due is less than twenty per cent of the principal amount and interest thereon. 32. No suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings Protection shall lie against any secured creditor or any of his offi-•f action cers or manager exercising any of the rights of the secured creditor or borrower for anything done or emittaken in good faith. ted to be done in good faith under this Ordinance. Offences by 33. (1) Where an offence under this Ordinance has

companies. been committed by a company every person who at the time the offence was committed was in charge of, and was responsible to the company, for the conduct of the

business of the company, as well as the company, shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished acordingly;

Provided that nothing contained in this subsection shall render any such person liable to any punishment provided in this Ordinance, if he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he had exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Ordinance has been committed by a company and it is proved that the offence has been committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of, any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, such director, manager, secretary or other officer shall also be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

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(a) "company" means any boby corporate and includes a firm or other association of individuals; and

(b) "director" in relation to a firm, means a partner in the firm.

34. No civil court shall have jurisdiction to entertain any suit or proceeding in respect of any matter which a Debts Recovery Tribunal or the Appellate Tribunal is empowered by or under this Ordinance to detemine and no injunction shall be granted by any court or other authority in respect of any action taken or to be taken in pursuance of any power conferred by or under this Ordinance or under the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993.

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35. The provisions of this Ordinance shall have effect, notwithstanding anything inconsistent therewith contained in any other law for the time being in force or any instrument having effect by virtue of any such law.

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36. No secured creditor shall be entitled to take all Limination. or any of the measures under sub-section (4) of section 13, unless his claim in respect of the financial asset is made within the period of limitation prescribed under the Limitation Act, 1963.

37. The provisions of this Ordinance or the rules made thereunder shall be in addition to and not in de- tion of rogation of, the Companies Act, 1956, the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956, the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992, the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 or any other law for the time being in force.

38. (1) The Central Government may, by notification

and in the Electronic Gazette as defined in clause (s)

of section 2 of the Information Technology Act, 2000,

make rules for carrying out the provisions of this

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Power of Central Government to make rules.

(2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:-

> (a) the form and manner in which an application may be filed under sub section (10) of section 13;

> (b) the manner in which the right of a secured creditor may be exercised by one or more of his officers under sub-section (12) of section 13:

> (c) the safeguards subject to which the records may be kept under sub-section (2) of section 22;

> (d) the manner in which the particulars of every transaction of securitisation shall be filed under section 23 and fee for filling such transaction;

> (c) the fee for inspecting the particulars of transactions kept under section 22 and entered in the Central Register under sub-section (1) of section 26:

> (f) the fee for Inspecting the Central Register maintained in electronic form under sub-section (2) of section 26;

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(g) any other matter which is to be, or may be, prescribed, in respect of which provision is to be, or may be, made by rules.

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(3) Every rule made under this Ordinance shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament, while it is in session for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforsaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or both House agree that the rule should not be made, the rule shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule.

Certain 39. The provisions of sub-sections (2), (3) and (4) provisions of section 20 and sections 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27 of this Ordinance to cause to be set up under sub-section (1) of section 20. apply after registry is set up or caused to be set up.

Power to remove difficulties. 40. (1) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Ordinance, the Central Government may, by order published in the Official Gazette, make such provisions not inconsistent wit the provisions of this Ordinance as may appear to be necessary for removing the difficulty;

> Provided that no order shall be made under this section after the expiry of a period of two years from the commencement of this Ordinance.

(2) Every order made under this section shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament.

Amendments to amended in the manner specified therein. certain enactments.

Repeal and 42. (1) The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Fi-Ordinance saving. nancial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest 2 of 2002 Ordinance, 2002 is hereby repealed

sets and repeal, any thing done or any action taken under the said Ordinance shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of this Ordinance.

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In section 4 A, in sub-section (1), after clause (vi), insert the following :--

"(vii) the securitisation company or the reconstruction company which has obtained a certificate of registration under sub-section (4) of section 3 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002.".

In section 2, in clause (h), after sub-clause (ib), insert the following : -

"(ic) Security receipt as defined in elause (zg) of section 2 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinanee, 2002.".

In section 15, in sub-section (1), after the proviso insert the following :--

"Provided further that no reference shall be made to the Board for Indus-trial and Financial Reconstruction after the commencement of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002, where finan-cial assets have been acquired by any securitisation company or reconstruction company under sub-section (1) of section 5 of that Ordinance.

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"Provided also that on or after the commencement of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002, where a reference is pending before the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction, such reference shall abate if the secured creditors, representing not less than three fourth in value of the amount outstanding against financial assistance disbursed to the borrower of such secured creditors, have taken any measurers to recover their secured debt under sub-section (4) of section 13 of that Ordinance.".

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