IN THE INCOME TAX APPELLATE TRIBUNAL DELHI BENCHES "F" : DELHI [THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCING]

BEFORE SHRI R.K. PANDA, ACCOUNTANT MEMBER AND Ms. SUCHITRA KAMBLE, JUDICIAL MEMBER

ITA.Nos.5296, 5297, 5298, 5299, 5300, 5301 & 5302/Del./2017

Assessment Years 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12 & 2012-2013

M/s. Bansal In Hold		The ACIT,
Ltd., 306, 3 rd Floor, S- 524, Vikas Marg, Delhi – 110 092. PAN AAACB3812A	vs.	Central Circle-14, New Delhi.
(Appellant)		(Respondent)

For Assessee :	Shri Mayank Patawari, C.A.
For Revenue :	Smt. Sushma Singh, CIT-DR

Date of Hearing :	29.07.2021
Date of Pronouncement :	03.09.2021

ORDER

PER BENCH :

These batch of seven appeals filed by the Assessee are directed against the separate Orders Dated 12.05.2017 of the Ld. CIT(A)-30, New Delhi, relating to the A.Ys. 2006-2007 to 2012-2013 respectively. Since identical grounds have been raised by the assessee in all these appeals, therefore, these appeals were heard together and are being disposed of by this common order.

ITA.No.5296/Del./2017 - A.Y. 2006-2007 :

2. The facts of the case, in brief, are that a search and seizure operation under section 132 of the Income Tax Act, 1961 was initiated by the Investigation wing of the Department on 11.04.2011 in the case of Sh. R.S. Bansal. The documents/books belonging to the assessee, M/s Bansal Inhold Ltd., 104,1st Floor, S-524,Neelkanth House, Shakarpur, New Delhi-110092 were also found and seized from the Office Premises of Sh. Radhey Shyam Bansal, Address-308, S-524, Vikas Marg, Shakarpur, Delhi-110092 in whose name search warrant of authorization was issued. The case was centralized with Central Circle - 2, vide order under section 127, Dated 12.10.2011. Subsequently, assessee's case was centralized with Central Circle-14, New Delhi vide order Dated 16-09-2013. The satisfaction note in this regard was recorded. Accordingly, notice under section 153C r.w.s. 153A of the Income Tax Act was issued to the assessee on 20.01.2014. In response to the same, assessee stated that return declaring an income of Rs.19,703/- filed on 31.01.2014 may be treated as return in response to notice issued under section 153C. Subsequently, the A.O. issued notice under sections 143(2) and 142(1) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 along with a questionnaire Dated 31.01.2014.

2.1.During the course of assessment proceedings, the A.O. noted that the assessee has received share capital of Rs.82,59,000/-. He noted that most of the applicants are family members and relatives of Sh R.S. Bansal and other Directors. Summons were issued to them in parallel proceedings to prove their creditworthiness. However, none of them turned-up. The A.O, therefore, made addition of the same to the total income of the assessee in the absence of production of the parties/persons before him to examine their identity and creditworthiness and genuineness of the transaction. Similarly, the A.O. noted that assessee has received an amount of Rs.60,50,262/- which has been credited in its Bank account. In the absence of any evidence to his satisfaction, the A.O. made addition of the same to

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the total income of the assessee. Thus, the A.O. determined the total income of the assessee at Rs.1,43,49,149/- as against the returned income of Rs.39,887/-.

2.2. Similar additions have been made by the A.O. for other assessment years which are as under :

I.T.A.No.	A.Y.	Addition made by A.O.	Amount in Rs.
5297/D/2017 2007-2008	2007-2008	Unexplained Bar Credits	nk Rs.72,44,432/-
		Unexplained Sha Capital	
		Unexplained Sha Premium	re Rs.37,98,500/-
		Unexplained Bar Credits	nk Rs.1,42,95,922/-
5298/D/2017	2008-2009	Unexplained Sha Application money	re Rs. 72,09,000/-
5299/D/2017 2009-20		Unexplained Bar Credits	nk Rs.1,12,17,823/-
	2009-2010	Unexplained Sha Capital	re Rs. 12,69,000/-
		Unexplained Sha Premium	re Rs. 12,69,000/-
		Unexplained Sha application money	re Rs. 30,000/-
5300/D/2017 2010-2011		Unexplained Bar Credits	nk Rs.1,23,47,635/-
	2010-2011	Unexplained Sha Capital	re Rs. 4,12,000/-
	Unexplained Sha Premium	re Rs. 4,12,000/-	
5301/D/2017 2011-20	2011 2012	Unexplained Bar Credits	nk Rs.1,81,33,736/-
	2011-2012	Unexplained Sha application money	re Rs. 21,45,000/-

		Unexplained Credits.	Bank	Rs.1,62,65,423/-
5302/D/2017	2012-2013			Rs.1,22,09,500/-
		-	Share	Rs. 16,36,000/-
		Premium		

2.3. In appeal, the Ld. CIT(A) partly sustained the additions made by the A.O.

3. Aggrieved with such Order of the Ld. CIT(A), the assessee is in appeal before the Tribunal by raising the following grounds :

- On the facts and circumstances of the case, the order passed by the learned CIT(A) is bad both in the eye of law and on facts.
- 2. On the facts and circumstances of the case, the learned CIT(A) has erred, both on facts and in law in rejecting the contention of the assessee that the order passed by the learned AO under Section 153C is bad and liable to be quashed as the same has been framed consequent to a search which itself was unlawful and invalid in the eye of law.

- 3. On the facts and circumstances of the case, the order passed by the A.O. u/s 153A read with Section 153C is bad in law and liable to be quashed on account of lack of jurisdiction, in view of provision of proviso to Section 153C(1) of the Act.
- 4. On the facts and circumstances of the case, the learned CIT(A) has erred, both on facts and in law in rejecting the contention of the assessee the proceedings initiated under Section 153C are bad in law and without jurisdiction in the absence of any incriminating material belonging to the assessee being found during the course of the search.
- 5. On the facts and circumstances of the case, the learned CIT(A) has erred, both on facts and in law in rejecting the contention of the assessee that the proceedings initiated under Section 153C and the assessment framed under Section 153C is bad and liable to be quashed in the absence of any satisfaction being recorded by the AO of the searched person that the incriminating material belonging to

the assessee was found during the course of the search.

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- 6. On the facts and circumstances of the case, the learned CIT(A) has erred, both on facts and in law, in confirming the addition of an amount of Rs.38,10,000/- made by A.O. on account of share capital.
- 7. On the facts and circumstances of the case, the learned CIT(A) has erred, both on facts and in law in confirming the above said addition despite the assessee bringing on record all material evidence on record to prove the identity and creditworthiness of the share applicants as well as the genuineness of the transaction.
- 8. (i) On the facts and circumstances of the case, the learned CIT has erred, both on facts and in law, in confirming the above said addition despite the fact that as per AO's own allegation the above said amount represents the opening share capital of the company during the year under consideration.

(ii) That the above said addition is untenable under the provisions of Section 68 of the Act in the year under consideration.

9. (i) On the facts and circumstances of the case, the learned CIT(A) has erred, both on facts and in law, in confirming the addition of an amount of Rs.60,50,262/- on account of credits in the bank account of the assessee.

(ii) That the addition was made despite the fact that the bank account is the duly disclosed account, as such no addition can be made on this account.

- 10. Without prejudice to the above and in the alternative, the addition of Rs.60,50,262/- on account of the credit in the bank account tantamount to double addition in view of the fact that addition of Rs.38,10,000/- being made on account of share capital received by the assessee in the bank account itself.
- 11. Without prejudice to the above and in the alternative an amount of Rs.32,250/- being bank interest having already declared as income of the

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assessee, making addition of the same tantamounts to double addition.

12. The appellant craves leave to add, amend or alter any of the grounds of appeal."

3.1. The Learned Counsel for the Assessee raised preliminary objection stating that the A.O. has made highpitched assessment due to certain clerical errors, which has been upheld by the Ld. CIT(A). He submitted that all credits in the Bank account and their reconciliation has been provided to the A.O. However, the A.O. in complete disregard to the same has made addition of the same including the cancelled cheques. He submitted that additions have been sustained by the Ld. CIT(A) disregarding the explanation and nature given by the assessee for each transaction. He submitted that additions on account of Bank interest, dividend income and share application money received through banking channels have been made which amounts to double addition since these were already taxed. Further credits in the Bank account from Auto Sweep Account has also been added by the A.O.

despite the fact that the Sweep Account is merely a credit in the Current/Savings Account out of the Fixed Deposit Account of the assessee. It is merely a contra entry. However, the lower authorities without understanding the same made the additions. He submitted that the primary evidence of proving the genuineness of the share application money received from relatives has been disregarded by the Ld. CIT(A) despite not drawing any adverse inference. He submitted that provisions of section 68 cannot be applied to such transactions since the amendment took place w.e.f. 01.04.2013. He accordingly submitted that in the interest of justice the matter may be restored back to the file of A.O. with a direction to decide the issue afresh, after considering the explanation given by the assessee for each and every transaction.

4. The Ld. D.R. on the other hand, heavily relied upon the Orders of the A.O. and the Ld. CIT(A). She has submitted that Ld. CIT(A) has thoroughly discussed the issue and has given part relief to the assessee. Since the assessee has not discharged the onus cast on it by proving the three ingredients of Section 68 of the I.T. Act, 1961, i.e., identity and creditworthiness of the loan creditors/share applicants and genuineness of the transaction, therefore, the additions made by the A.O. was rightly sustained by the Ld. CIT(A). Further, the assessee has not explained each and every transaction in the Bank account. Since the Ld. CIT(A) after thoroughly discussing the issue has given part relief wherever it is possible and has sustained the addition to the extent the assessee failed to discharge its onus, therefore, the Order of the Ld. CIT(A) be upheld and the grounds raised by the assessee should be dismissed.

5. In his rejoinder, the Learned Counsel for the Assessee while referring to various pages of the paper book submitted that all details are filed explaining each and every entry in the Bank account. Therefore, disregarding the various evidences filed by the assessee, the additions made by the A.O. and sustained by the Ld. CIT(A) is not justified. He accordingly submitted that the Order of the Ld. CIT(A) be set aside and the grounds raised by the assessee should be allowed.

We have considered the rival arguments made by 6. both the sides, perused the Orders of the A.O. and the Ld. CIT(A) and the paper book filed on behalf of the assessee. We have also considered the various decisions cited by both the sides at the time of hearing. We find the A.O. in the instant case made addition of Rs.1,43,09,262/- to the total income of the assessee on account of unexplained Bank credits, unexplained share application money, unexplained share premium and unexplained share capital on the ground that the assessee has failed to discharge the initial onus cast on it by proving the various transactions appearing in the bank account. We find the Ld. CIT(A) after admitting the additional evidences and obtaining a remand report from the A.O. granted part relief to the assessee. It is the submission of the Learned Counsel for the Assessee that although some part-relief has been granted by the Ld. CIT(A), however, all credits in the Bank account have been added including the credits in the Bank Account from Auto Sweep Account despite the fact that the Sweep Account is merely a credit in the Current/ Savings Account out of the Fixed Deposit Account of the assessee, disregarding the

explanation given by the assessee. Further it is also his submission that additions on account of Bank interest, dividend income and share application money received through Banking channels have been made, which were already taxed and therefore the same amounts to double also his submission addition. It is that one more opportunity may be given to the assessee to explain each and every transaction to the satisfaction of the either of the lower authorities which are already on record. Considering the totality of the facts and circumstances of the case and in the interest of justice, we deem it proper to restore the issue to the file of A.O. with a direction to grant one more opportunity to the assessee to substantiate its case by filing requisite details and explaining each and every the transaction including the credits in the Bank Account from Auto Sweep Account. Wherever double addition has been made on account of Bank interest, dividend income and application money etc., the A.O. shall, share upon satisfaction, delete the same. The A.O. shall also consider the application of proviso to section 68 of the I.T. Act w.e.f. 01.04.2013 in respect of share application money received from family members & relatives of directors. The A.O. shall decide the issue as per fact and law after giving due opportunity of being heard to the assessee. The assessee is also hereby directed to appear before the A.O. and substantiate its case by producing the requisite details without seeking any adjournment under any pretext, failing which, the A.O. is at liberty to pass appropriate Order as per Law. We hold and direct accordingly. Grounds raised by the Assessee are allowed for statistical purposes.

7. In the result, ITA.No.5296/Del./2017 of the Assessee is allowed.

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8. After hearing both the sides, we find the grounds raised by the Assessee in the above appeals are identical to the grounds raised in ITA.No.5296/Del./2017 for the A.Y. 2006-2007. We have already decided the issue and the matter has been restored to the file of A.O. for fresh adjudication with certain directions. Following similar

reasoning, all the above appeals are also restored to the file of A.O. for fresh adjudication. The grounds raised by the assessee in all the above appeals are allowed for statistical purposes.

9. In the result, all the appeals filed by the Assessee are allowed for statistical purposes.

Order pronounced in the open Court on 03.09.2021.

Sd/-(SUCHITRA KAMBLE) JUDICIAL MEMBER

Sd/-(R.K. PANDA) ACCOUNTANT MEMBER

Delhi, Dated 03rd September, 2021

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