

**BEFORE THE ADJUDICATING OFFICER
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA
SETTLEMENT ORDER**

Sr. No.	Settlement Application No.	Name of the Applicant	PAN
1	7413/2023	IndiGrid Investment Managers Limited	AAHCM0639D

IN THE MATTER OF INDIA GRID TRUST

Settlement Order No.: SO/SV/RM/2024-25/7413

1. Securities and Exchange Board of India (hereinafter referred to as “**SEBI**”) initiated adjudication proceedings under Section 15HB of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 (hereinafter referred to as “**SEBI Act**”) against IndiGrid Investment Managers Limited (hereinafter referred to as “**Noticee / applicant / by name**”) for the alleged violation of Regulation 20(3)(b)(ii), Regulation 7(d) and Clause 1 and Clause 8 of Schedule VI of SEBI (Infrastructure Investment Trusts) Regulations, 2014 (hereinafter referred as “**InvIT Regulations**”); and Regulations 21(8), Regulation 7(d) and Clauses 1 and 8 of Schedule VI of InvIT Regulations in the matter of India Grid Trust Limited (hereinafter referred to as “**the company**”).
2. Vide communique dated July 03, 2023, SEBI had appointed Ms. Soma Majumder, General Manager as the Adjudicating Officer under section 15-I of SEBI Act read with Rule 3 of SEBI (Procedure for Holding Inquiry and Imposing Penalties) Rules, 1995 (hereinafter referred to as “**Adjudication Rules**”) to inquire into and adjudge under Section 15HB of SEBI Act, the aforementioned alleged violation of the provisions of law by the Noticee. Pursuant to her transfer, vide communique dated December 19, 2023 undersigned was appointed as the Adjudicating Officer.

3. A Show Cause Notice Ref. No. SEBI/EAD/SM/S./39542/1/2023 dated September 21, 2023 (hereafter referred to as “**SCN**”) was issued by the erstwhile Adjudicating Officer to the Noticee in terms of the provisions of Rule 4 of the Adjudication Rules, calling upon the Noticee to show cause why an inquiry should not be held and penalty not be imposed, under Section 15HB of SEBI Act for the following alleged violations:
- 3.1. Noticee allegedly utilized fund raised through borrowings for purposes other than the acquisition or development of Infrastructure Projects in excess of 49% and thus it was alleged that Noticee violated Regulation 20(3)(b)(ii), Regulation 7(d) and Clause 1 and Clause 8 of Schedule VI of InvIT Regulations.
- 3.2. Noticee allegedly undertook valuation of assets which were acquired after signing of SPA/completion of acquisition of asset, thus it was alleged that Noticee violated Regulations 21(8), Regulation 7(d) and Clauses 1 and 8 of Schedule VI of InvIT Regulations.
4. Pending Adjudication Proceedings, the Noticee proposed to settle the instant proceedings initiated against it, without admitting or denying the findings of facts and conclusions of law, through a settlement order and filed settlement applications with SEBI bearing Settlement Application Nos. 7413/2023 dated November 16, 2023 in terms of the provisions of SEBI (Settlement Proceedings) Regulations, 2018 (hereinafter referred to as “**Settlement Regulations**”).
5. Pursuant to the meeting with the Internal Committee of SEBI on January 19, 2024 in terms of the Settlement Regulations, Noticee vide email dated January 24, 2024, proposed revised settlement terms. The High Powered Advisory Committee (hereinafter referred to as ‘**HPAC**’) in its meeting held on February 05, 2023 considered the settlement terms proposed and recommended that the case may be settled upon payment of ₹ 23,40,000/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Forty Thousands Only) by the Noticee as settlement amount towards the settlement terms.

6. The Panel of Whole Time Members of SEBI approved the said recommendation of the HPAC on March 06, 2024. Subsequently, the applicant vide email April 19, 2024 informed about the remittance of the settlement amount, the receipt of which has been confirmed by the concerned SEBI department vide its email dated April 24, 2024.
7. Therefore, in view of the acceptance of the settlement terms and the receipt of settlement amount as above by SEBI, the instant adjudication proceedings initiated against the Noticee vide SCN No. SEBI/EAD/SM/S./39542/1/2023 dated September 21, 2023 is disposed of in terms of Section 15JB of the SEBI Act read with Regulation 23(1) of the Settlement Regulations on the basis of the settlement terms.
8. This order is without prejudice to the right of SEBI to take enforcement actions, in terms of Regulation 28 of the Settlement Regulations, including restoring or initiating the proceedings in respect to which the settlement order was passed against the applicant, if:
 - i. it comes to the notice of the Board that the applicant has not made full and true disclosure;
 - ii. applicant has violated the undertakings or waivers:
9. This settlement order is passed on this day of **April 29, 2024** and shall come into force with immediate effect.
10. In terms of Regulation 25 of the Settlement Regulations, copies of this order are being sent to the applicant viz. IndiGrid Investment Managers Limited and also to SEBI.

Date: April 29, 2024

Place: Mumbai

SHASHIKUMAR VALSAKUMAR

ADJUDICATING OFFICER