

## ARSS INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS LTD.

To, Dear Stakeholders. Date: 13th April, 2018

**Sub: News Clarification** 

Dear Sir/ Madam,

This is with reference to your the recent news item appearing in Business Standard dated 12-Apr-2018, titled "CBI books ARSS Infrastructure for cheating Central Bank of India".

In this regard, our company hereby clarifies that the event stated in published news is not pertaining to our company rather it is related to the non material subsidiary of our company namely: "ARSS Damoh - Hirapur Tolls Private Limited",

To bring out the alleged facts, ARSS Damoh - Hirapur Tolls Private Limited was sanctioned a term loan of Rs 87 crores by the Central Bank of India, Bhubaneswar on 24.10.2011 for construction of the road in the state of Madhya Pradesh under Madhya Pradesh Road Development Corporation Limited "MPRDC". ARSS Infrastructure Projects Limited had given the corporate guarantee and its Director Mr. Subash Agarwal had given the personal guarantee against the said loan. The total sum of Rs 62.55 crores was disbursed by the Central Bank of India, Bhubaneswar during the period from October 27, 2011 to May 2, 2013 for the purpose.

For the obvious reasons, MPRDC terminated the contract and proceeded to appoint a third party contractor in September, 2013. The matter is presently under arbitration for adjudicating the dispute between ARSS Damoh - Hirapur Tolls Private Limited and MPRDC. At the time of difficult financial situation faced by the borrowing company, the aforesaid termination of the contract increased their owes and they could not pay the loan installments. It is also gathered that they were in talk with the bank for settlement through compromise formula. Mean while, the matter might have been referred by the bank to CBI, about which our company had no clue.

As per our company's view there must not be any material impact of the said news on our company as it was related to the non material subsidiary company.

The company ensures to keep its stakeholders informed about any such events in the company.

Thanking You,

For ARSS Infrastructure Projects Limited.

(Alka Khemka) Company Secretary

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