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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COLLECTOR (REVENUE)-NORTH-CUM-LICENSING AUTHORITY

No. 2694/DC(R)N/A7/PB/2022/2435,

Puducherry, dated 25th August 2023.

Proceedings of the Deputy Collector (Revenue) North-cum-Licensing Authority under the Puducherry Pawn Brokers Act, 1966 regarding Cancellation of Pawn Broker Licence issued to Thiru Balaji, s/o. Palanisamy vide Licence No. 645, at No. 216, S.V. Patel Salai, Puducherry.

Present: Thiru M. Kandasamy,

Deputy Collector (Revenue) North-cum-Licensing Authority under Puducherry Pawn Brokers Act, 1966.

Reference: Report of the Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Puducherry,

Vide No. 5526/TOP/Pawn Broker/2021/005, dated 07-03-2023.

Whereas, one Thiru Balaji, s/o. Palanisamy was issued with a Pawn Broker Licence *vide* No. 645, dated 13-06-2016 under the Pondicherry Pawn Brokers Act, 1966 to conduct the Pawn Broker business at No. 216, S.V. Patel Salai, Puducherry;

- 2. And whereas, a notice was issued to him on 07-09-2022 to appear for enquiry and to produce the Receipt Book, Pledge Book, Acknowledgment Book in the prescribed Forms as per the Pawn Brokers Act and Rules, 1966 in respect of his licence for the purpose of renewal for the period 2022-2023. "Consequent to the notice, the licensee has submitted a written reply on 02-11-2022 stating that due to unavoidable circumstances, he could not run the Pawn Broker business and the same may be cancelled at an early date with intimation to him". Further, he has also submitted his Receipt and Acknowledgment Book which did not contain any entries;
- 3. And whereas, as a final opportunity, he was issued another show cause notice on 10-10-2022 instructing him to submit the accounts *i.e.*, (i) Pawn-ticket, (ii) Sale book of pledges, (iii) Declaration, where pledge is claimed by owner, (iv) Declaration of pawn-ticket lost and (v) Receipt on redemption of pledge, if any, on or before 17-10-2022; failing which process of cancellation of the Licence issued *vide* No. 645 under section 14-A(1) (a) of the Puducherry Pawn Brokers Act, 1966 will be initiated. He has neither appeared nor submitted any reply to the notice.
- 4. And whereas, the Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Puducherry *vide* his report, dated 07-03-2023 stated that he has not recommended for renewal of the said Pawn Broker Licence issued to Thiru Balaji, s/o. Palanisamy, *vide* Licence No. 645 for the year 2022-23, as the shop was not functioning and no business is being conducted;
- 5. And whereas, as per 10 (1) (a) of the Puducherry Pawn Brokers Act, 1966, the licensee shall regularly record and maintain or cause to be recorded and maintained in a pledge book in the prescribed Form, an account showing for each pawner separately. As such failure to maintain the records properly is contravention of the provisions under section 14-A(1) (a) of the Puducherry Pawn Brokers Act, 1966;
- 6. And whereas, as per sections 3(2) and 4 (4) of the Puducherry Pawn Brokers Act, 1966, the licensee has to renew the licence from year to year and the licence is deemed to be expired from 01-04-2022 and the licensee has not paid the prescribed renewal fee. Failure to renew the licence periodically and non-payment of prescribed renewal fee is considered as a contravention of the provisions of the Act and as such under section 14-A(1) (a) of the Puducherry Pawn Brokers Act, 1966, the Licensing Authority specified in sub-section (1) of section-4 may, at any time, during the term of any licence cancel it by an order in writing;
- 7. Therefore, I, M. Kandasamy, Deputy Collector (Revenue)-North-cum-Licensing Authority, Puducherry, under the Puducherry Pawn Brokers Act, 1966 in exercise of the provisions of section 14-A(1) (a) of the Puducherry Pawn Brokers Act, 1966, for the reasons mentioned above, hereby cancel the Pawn Broker licence issued to Thiru Balaji, s/o. Palanisamy vide Licence No. 645.

Given under my hand on this 23rd day of August 2023.

M. KANDASAMY,

Deputy Collector (Revenue) North-cum-Licensing Authority.