### IN THE INCOME TAX APPELLATE TRIBUNAL DELHI BENCHES: "B" NEW DELHI

## BEFORE SHRI C.L.SETHI, JUDICIAL MEMBER AND SHRI A.K.GARODIA, ACCOUNTANT MEMBER

# ITA No: 790 /Del/2010 Assessment Year : 2005-06 A n d ITA No: 791 /Del/2010 Assessment Year : 2006-07

Devki Nandan Bindal 6224 C, Kucha Shiv Mandir Katra Baryan, Fatehpuri Delhi 110 006 vs. ITO, Ward 28 (3) New Delhi

(Appellant)

(Respondent)

## **Appellant by** : None **Respondent by** : Sri HK Lal, D.R.

#### ORDER

#### PER C.L.SETHI, JUDICIAL MEMBER

These two appeals are filed by the assessee against two separate orders dated  $31^{st}$  December, 2009 passed by the ldCIT(A) confirming the penalty amounting to Rs. 89,530/- and Rs. 52,680/- levied by the A.O. u/s 271(1)(c) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 for the A.Y. 2005-06 and 2006-07 respectively. In these cases the assessment was completed by the A.O. u/s 153A read with S. 143(3) wherein income from commission



on draft discounting was determined by adopting the rate of commission at Rs. 70 per lakh. Consequently, n addition of Rs. 2,98,422/- and Rs. 1,89,963/- was made in the assessment for the A.Y. 2005-06 and 2006-07 respectively. The AO also initiated penalty proceedings u/s 271(1)(c)with regard to the addition made by him. After issuing the show cause notice and hearing the assessee, he AO levied the penalty amounting to Rs.. 89,530/- and Rs. 52,680/- which has been confirmed by the ld.CIT(A).

2. We have heard the Ld.D.R. None was present for the assessee. We have carefully gone through the material available on records. In the assessment order for both the A.Ys it has been mentioned by the A.O. that in the absence of details the assessee had agreed to determine the income from commission at Rs. 70/- per lakh and the AO then accordingly estimated the commission by adopting the rate of commission at Rs. 70/-. The A.O. in the assessment had mentioned that the rate of commission per lakh has been estimated at Rs. 70/-, in the light of the fact that the assessee's A.R. agreed that commission may be determined at Rs. 70/- per lakh, which was found to be reasonable considering the facts and circumstances of the case. It is thus clear that addition was made purely on the basis of estimate and not on the basis of any material found during the course of search indicating that the actual rate of commission earned by the assessee was Rs. 70/- per lakh. The Ld.CIT(A)'s observation that Rs. 70/- has been determined on the



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basis of some material found during the course of search is without any basis. In the course of hearing, the ld.D.R. has not been able to point out any material found during the course of search from which it could be established that the assessee was earning commission @ Rs.70/- per lakh. We are, therefore, of the opinion that the addition made by the A.O. is purely based on the assessee's concession and not on the basis of any material detected by the department. Therefore, it is not a fit case where penalty u/s 271(1)(c) can be levied. We therefore cancel the penalty levied upon the assessee and allow these two appeals filed by the assessee.

3. In the result both the appeals filed by the assessee are allowed.

This decision was pronounced immediately after conclusion of the hearing on 9.6.2010.

(A.K.GARODIA) ACCOUNTANT MEMBER JUDICIAL MEMBER Dated: June, 2010 \*manga Copy of the Order forwarded to: 2.Respondent; 3.CIT; 4.CIT(A); 5.DR; 6.Guard File Appellant; By Order Cool Pro shi Bencana Merr Dalk