

BEFORE THE COMPETITION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

FIRST PHASE REVIEW

IN THE MATTER OF ACQUISITION OF SHAREHOLDING OF RAJA GREEN FARMS (PRIVATE) LIMITED BY MRS. NIDA AHSAN.

CASE: 1013/Merger-CCP/18

* ISLAMABAD

Commission

Ms. Vadiyya S. Khalil Chairperson

Shahzad Ansar Member

ORDER

- 1. On 27th December 2018 the Competition Commission of Pakistan ("Commission") received a pre-merger application ("Application") of a proposed acquisition pursuant to Section 11 of the Competition Act, 2010 ("Act") read with Regulation 6 of the Competition (Merger Control) Regulations, 2016 ("Merger Regulations") through which Mrs. Nida Ahsan ("Acquirer" or "Applicant") intends to acquire shareholding in M/s. Raja Green Farms (Private) Limited ("Target") by way of share purchase from the shareholders. All the requisite information/documentation pertaining to the application was completed by the applicant on 3rd January 2019.
- 2. The Commission has examined the Application as well as all the documents attached therewith, the market scenario, and its observations on the basis of independent research/investigation in the relevant market. The Phase I competition assessment of the intended acquisition has resulted in the following findings:
 - The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - a. For the Acquirer: Individual.
 - b. For the Target: Cultivating, producing, processing, importing and exporting of agriculture products.
 - The proposed transaction is an acquisition of ii. shareholding in the Target by the Acquirer from the Sellers. The relevant product market of "Agriculture Products" has been identified which has a geographic market of "Pakistan".
 - iii. It is pertinent to mention here, the Target has zero market share as it has conducted any business activity since inception. Therefore, post-transaction, the market share of the Acquirer will remain unchanged.
 - iv. The transaction is not likely to result in the creation or strengthening of a dominant position in the relevant market. The intended merger does not meet the presumption of dominance as determined under Section (2) (1) (e) read with Section 3 of the Competition Act 2010 ("Act").
- 3. In conclusion, the proposed transaction is not likely to substantially lessen competition through the creation or strengthening of a dominant position in the relevant market. The proposed transaction is hereby authorized under Section 31 (1) (d) (i) of the Act.

4. It is so ordered.

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