

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ADMIRALTY AND VICE ADMIRALTY JURISDICTION
IN ITS COMMERCIAL DIVISION**

JUDGE'S ORDER NO.160 OF 2018

IN

COMMERCIAL ADMIRALTY SUIT (L) NO.31 OF 2018

Oceanconnect Marine UK LimitedPlaintiff

Vs.

m.v. Don Jose and Anr.Defendants

Mr. Rahul Narichania, senior advocate a/w. Mr. Pranoy Kottaram and Mr. Anuj Dhowan I/b. Bose and Mitra and Co. for applicant/plaintiff.
None for defendants.

**CORAM : K.R.SHRIRAM, J.
DATE : 13th AUGUST 2018**

P.C.:

1 Not on board. Upon mentioning taken on board.

2 At the outset, Mr. Narichania, senior counsel for plaintiff states that there is a caveat filed by Mr. Ashwin Shanker, advocate on behalf of Halani International Limited. The registry has produced the caveat register which states that the security offered is only Rs.1 lakh. Mr. Narichania states that the claim of plaintiff is USD 800676.79. It is settled law that if plaintiff satisfy the Court that the amount of security mentioned in the caveat is so low that it does not secure its interest, in such a case, plaintiff will also be entitled to move the Court for dispensing with the requirement of serving notice on defendant under Rule 939 (*Mr. Bernardo de Souza vs. m.v. Seven Island and Anr.*¹). Therefore, notice dispensed with.

1. Notice of motion no.1858 of 2006 in admiralty suit no.11 of 2006 - unreported

3 Heard Mr. Narichania, senior counsel for plaintiff and also considered the plaint. *Prima facie* case for arrest of defendant vessel is made out.

4 The Judges' Order for arrest of defendant vessel is signed separately.

5 Plaintiff is at liberty to forward a copy of the communication from the Sheriff of Mumbai forwarding this order by fax/Email/hand delivery/RPAD to Port and Customs Authorities.

6 The undertaking of plaintiff's advocates that the warrant of arrest will be served upon the vessel, Port and Customs Authorities by 21st August 2018 is accepted.

7 Personal undertaking of the plaintiff's Advocate to pay court fees by 21st August 2018 is accepted.

8 All to act on a copy of this order duly authenticated as true copy by the Associate of this Court.

Gauri Amit
Gaekwad

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Date: 2018.08.13
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(K.R. SHRIRAM, J.)