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"Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard."

Updates on Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code

> Supreme Court seeks response from Jaiprakash Associates lenders on 858-acre land bank

The Supreme Court on Thursday sought response from the lenders of Jaiprakash Associates (JAL) as to why they should not be asked to return a land bank of 858 acre to Jaypee Infratech (JIL), which is undergoing insolvency proceedings. JAL, the parent company of JIL, had mortgaged the latter's land bank to secure loan of Rs 20,510 crore from a consortium of around 20 banks including State Bank of India, Axis Bank, ICICI Bank and Standard Chartered Bank.

A bench led by Justice AM Khanwilkar issued notice to JAL's lenders on an appeal by homebuyers challenging the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal's August 1 order that allowed JAL lenders to control over 858 acres of JIL land. The next hearing of the case will be on October 17.

Source: Financial Express

Please find the full news at:

https://www.financialexpress.com/industry/supreme-court-seeks-response-from-jaiprakash-associates-lenders-on-858-acre-land-bank/1711747/

> <u>Jet Airways creditors file claims worth Rs 30,907 crore</u>

The total claims filed by creditors against Jet Airways has been updated to Rs 30,907 crore. As on September 6, the resolution professional (RP) of the grounded airline has admitted claims worth Rs 14,054 crore. The RP is yet to verify claims worth Rs 3,202 crore. An earlier notification on claims against Jet Airways showed that total claims stood at Rs 30,588 crore as on August 7.

Financial creditors, including domestic and foreign banks, have dues worth over Rs 8,200 crore with Jet Airways. The total claims amount has risen even as the Synergy Group, the sole suitor for the beleaguered Jet Airways, met with lenders of the airline earlier this week seeking a haircut on its existing debt. On June 24, the RP had invited operational and financial creditors to file claims against the airline. Claims worth Rs 13,670 crore have so far been rejected, according to data on the airline's website.

Source: Financial Express

Please find the full news at:

https://www.financialexpress.com/industry/jet-airways-creditors-file-claims-worth-rs-30907-crore/1711725/

Govt plans to amend EPF: Allow switch from EPS to NPS, protect PF dues in case of bankruptcy

The government has prepared a draft bill proposing major amendments in the Employees Provident Fund (EPF) and Employees Pension Scheme (EPS). As per the draft bill, EPF members will have the option to switch their money from EPS to National Pension System (NPS). Another proposal is to replace the existing definition of 'wage' (in the EPF Act) with a new one as mentioned in the Code of Wages, 2019.

The new definition of wages is likely to impact the EPF contribution of those employees whose basic salary is currently less than Rs 15,000. To protect the employees of companies undergoing liquidation under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC), amendments are also proposed to give priority to the payment of PF contribution over other debts.

Source: Economic Times

Please find the full news at:

https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/wealth/save/govt-plans-to-amend-epf-allow-switch-from-eps-to-nps-protect-pf-dues-in-case-of-bankruptcy/articleshow/71211777.cms

