

Marekani kuachia fedha za FBME ilizozishikilia miaka 9

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SERIKALI ya Marekani imeahidi hadi Desemba, mwaka huu, itaachia fedha zinazomilikiwa na benki ya FBME Ltd inazozishikilia na wadai wote watalipwa ikiwamo Kampuni ya Coast Textile Limited, ambayo inadai Sh. billioni 145 kulingana na amri ya mahakama iliyotolewa miaka tisa ili-yopita.

Wakili wa Serikali Edwin Wediro, alidai katika Mahakama Kuu Kanda ya Dar es Salaam jana kuwa Mku-rugenzi wa Bodi ya Bima ya Amana (DIB), Isaack Kihwili, amewasiliana na Ubalozi wa Marekani kuhusu uwezekano wa kuondoa zuio la kushikilia fedha hizo.

"Taarifa nilizonazo ni kwamba amri ya kushikilia fedha hizo itaondolewa na Serikali ya Marekani ifikapo mwisho wa mwaka huu na wadai wote watalipwa," Wakili wa Serikali alidai mbele ya Jaji Salma Maghimbi, wakati shauri la utekelezaji wa hukumu ya mahakama kuhusu fedha hizo liipokuja kwa ajili ya kutajwa.

Aidha, alidai kuwa Mkurugenzi wa DIB na Mfilisi wa Benki ya FBME nchini Cyprus, walifanya kikao mwezi uliopita, kwa ajili ya kujadili masuala mbalimbali ikiwa ni pamoja na maendeleo ya mchakato wa ufilisi.

Wakili wa Serikali alidai mahakama kuwa kundi jingine la wateja walioweka amana kwenye benki hiyo katika asilimia 70 ya madai iliyobaki, litalipwa ifikapo Septemba, mwaka huu. Hata hivyo, alidai kuwa Kampuni ya Coast Textile Ltd haitakuwa miongoni mwa wanufaika katika orodha ya mwezi Septemba.

Aliiomba mahakama kupanga tarehe nyingine ya kutajwa kusubiri matokeo ya uamuza wa mamlaka nchini Marekani kuondoa zuio la fedha za Benki ya FBME, ambazo zinashikiliwa kwa tuhuma za kuhusika na madai ya utakatishaji fedha.

Kablia ya kuahirishwa kwa shauri hilo, Wakili Joseph Rutabingwa, anayelwakilisha Kampuni ya Coast al-lkumbushia mahakama ilichomwagiza Mkurugenzi wa DIB kuwasiliana na Serikali ya Marekani kuhusu kuwapo kwa hukumu za mahakama dhidi ya Benki ya FBME, ambazo ni nne.

Jaji Maghimbi allahirisha kesi hiyo hadi Oktoba Mosi, 2024 kwa ajili ya kusikilizwa.

Katika kesi hiyo, Kampuni ya Coast Textiles Limited iliamua kuomba mahakama kuingilia kat baada ya FBME, ambayo shughuli zake zilichukuliwa na BoT kushindwa kutekeleza hukumu iliyotolewa na Jaji Aloysius Mujulizi, mwaka 2015 kuhusu malipo hayo.

Kampuni illfungua maombi ya kuka-zia hukumu hiyo, ikiomba jumla ya Sh. billioni 145.94 ipatikane kutoka kwa DIB, wafilisi wa FBME, na Mku-rugenzi wa Bodi akishindwa kulipa atalazimka kuwajibishwa.

Mei 20, 2022, Jaji Amir Mruma, alia-muru Mkurugenzi wa DIB, ambaye aliteuliwa na BoT kama mfilisi wa FBME, kulipa kiasi hicho baada ya kukubali maombi ya utekelezaji wa hukumu yaliyowasilishwa na Coast Textiles Limited.

maelekezo yake kuwezesha taasisi na mashirika ya umma kuwekeza

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ya umma kuchang'ajif zinazofanya serikali, Mchechu, alisema hivi sasa, jukumu hilo litakuwa ni lazima kwa na taasisi za umma.

Mahakama yaelezwa fedha za FBME kuachiwa Desemba

Na MWANDISHI WETU

SERIKALI ya Marekani imeahidi kufikia Desemba, mwaka huu, itaziachia fedha zinazomilikiwa na FBME Bank Limited inazozishikilia na wadi wote. Miongoni mwa wadai ni Kampuni ya Coast Textile Limited, inayodai sh. bilioni 145 kulingana na amri ya mahakama iliyotolewa takriban miaka tisa iliyopita. Wakili wa Serikali, Edwin Wediro alidai hayo katika Mahakama Kuu ya Tanzania, Kanda ya Dar es Salaam jana, mbele ya Jaji Salma Maghimbiri. Alidai Mkurugenzi wa Bodilya Bima ya Amana (DIB), Isaack Kihwili, amewasiliana na Ubalanzi wa Marekani kuhusu uwerekano hizito.

"Taarifa nilizonazo ni kwamba amri ya kushikilia fedha hizo itaondolewa na Serikali ya Marekani ifikapo mwisho wa mwaka huu na wadai wote watalipwa," alidai wa hukumu ya Mahakama kuhusu fedha hizo lilitpatajwa. Alidai Mkurugenzi wa DIB nchini Cyprus walifanya kikao mwezi uliopita kujadili masuala mbalimbali, ikiwemo maendeleo ya mchakato wa ufilisi. Wakili Joseph Rutabingwa, anayewakilisha Coast Textile Limited, allkumbushia kile mahakama ilichomwagiza Mkurugenzi wa DIB kuwasiliana na Serikali ya Marekani kuhusu kuwepo kwa hukumu za mahakama dhidi ya Benki ya FBME, yatalipwa ifikapo Septemba, mwaka huu.

Hata hiyo, alidai Coast Textile Limited haitakuwa mionganii mwa wanufaika katika orodha ya

Septemba. Kutokana na hali hiyo, aliiomba mahakama kupanga tarehe nyingine ya kutajwa kusubiri matokeo ya uamuzi wa mamla nchini Marekani kuondo zaio la fedha za Benki ya FBME, zinazoshikiliwa kwa tuhuna za kuhusika na madai ya utakatishaji fedha.

Wakili Joseph Rutabingwa, anayewakilisha Coast Textile Limited, allkumbushia kile mahakama ilichomwagiza Mkurugenzi wa DIB kuwasiliana na Serikali ya Marekani kuhusu kuwepo kwa hukumu za mahakama dhidi ya Benki ya FBME, kuhusika na madai ya utakatishaji fedha.

zake zilichukuliwa na Benki Kuu ya Tanzania (BoT), kushindwa kutekeleza hukumu iliyotolewa na Jaji Aloysius Mujulizi mwaka 2015 kuhusu malipo hayo. Kampuni liifungua maombi ya kukazia hukumu hiyo, ikomba sh. bilioni 145.94 ipatikane kutoka kwa DIB, wafilisti wa FBME, ambapo Mkurugenzi wa Bodilya akishindwa kuilipa atalazimika kuwajibishwa. Mei 20, mwaka 2022, Jaji Amir Miruma aliamuru Mkurugenzi wa DIB, ambaye aliteuliwa na BoT kama mfilisi wa FBME, kuilipa kiasi hicho baada ya kukubali maombi ya utekelezaji wa hukumu yaliyowasilishwa na Coast Textiles Limited.

Katika kesi hiyo, Kampuni ya Coast Textiles Limited ilihamua kuiomba mahakama kuingilia kati hiyo hadi Oktoba mosi, mwaka huu, kwa usikilizwaji. Jaji Maghimbiri alahirisha kesi ya muda

miundu viwanj unakuue nchi, wanaon miradi chang'aa itasabaki kwa uje Aliar utahakn katika kilichok Serikali ya Naya Kampuni Mhandidi sasa, mi ndani ya kuwa, w ya muda viwango.

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FBME Bank to pay creditors after release of withheld funds

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THE US Government has committed to releasing funds withheld from FBME Bank Limited, enabling payment to creditors, including Coast Textile Limited, owed 145bn/-.

This development follows a court decree issued nearly nine years ago.

State Attorney Edwin Wediro informed the High Court in Dar es Salaam yesterday that the Director of the Deposit Insurance Board (DIB), Mr Isaack Kihwili, has engaged with the US Embassy in Tanzania to lift the sanction on the frozen funds

sibility of lifting the sanction on the withheld funds.

"The information I have is that the freezing order will be lifted by the Government of United States of America by the end of this year and all creditors will be paid," the State Attorney told Judge Salma Maghimbii when execution proceedings relating to the decree came for mention.

He explained further that the DIB Director and Liquidator of the FBME Bank in Cyprus held a meeting last month to discuss various issues, including the updates on the liquidation process.

The State Attorney informed the court that another group of depositors of the bank in the remaining 70 percent of claims will be paid by September, 2024. He was, however, quick to explain that Coast Textile Limited will not be among the benefici-

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ficiaries in the September list. He, therefore, requested the court to set another mention date pending the outcome on the decision by authorities in the US to lift the ban on FBME Bank money, which are being withheld on suspicious of involvement in money laundering claims.

Before adjournment of the matter, Advocate Joseph Rutabingwa, who represents Coast Textile Limited, reminded what the court had directed the DIB Director to communicate with the US government on existence of court decrees against FBME Bank, which are four.

The judge adjourned the proceedings to October 1, 2024 for hearing.

In the case, Coast Textiles Limited seeks court's intervention after FBME Bank, whose operations were taken over by the Bank of Tan-

zania (BoT), failed to implement the judgment given by Judge Aloysius Mujulizi in 2015.

The company applied for execution of the judgment, requesting the sum of 145.94bn/- be realised from the DIB, the liquidators of FBME, the default of which the Director of Board be held accountable.

On May 20, 2022, Judge Amir Mruma ordered the DIB Director, who was appointed by BoT as liquidator of FBME, to pay such amount after granting an application for execution of the decree filed by Coast Textiles Limited.

The judge pointed out that as per section 3 of the Civil Procedure Code, the decree of the court is the formal expression of an adjudication which so far as regards the court expressing it, conclusively determine the rights of the parties with regard to the matter.