

11 PC 27/25 MADHVI UTTAM Vs. STATE OF NCT OF DELHI

21.08.2025

Present : Ld. Counsel for petitioner
Ms. Suchita Dixit, Ld. Counsel for respondent no. 2
Mr. Amandeep Singh, Ld. Counsel for respondent no. 3.

1. Ld. Counsel for the respondent no. 3 submits that as the respondent no. 3 is residing in the US, he will file his vakalatnama within one week.

2. Written statement has been filed on behalf of respondent no. 2 that is State Bank of India branch at 6 Ring Road Lajpat Nagar-4, New Delhi. It is stated by the Ld. Counsel for the respondent no. 2 that the bank can arrange and provide the duplicate key on payment of Rs. 5000/- + GST as per the banking rules and the petitioner for obtaining the same, needs to inform the bank at least 24 hours prior to issuance of duplicate key.

3. Ld. Counsel for the petitioner has submitted that petitioner is ready to bear the expenses and he further submits that a local commissioner and an approved valuer be appointed.

4. Considering the submissions of Ld. Counsel for petitioner , **Ms. Shweta Advocate, Enrollment No. D-8876/2022 mobile no. 8527346869 email ID kshweta196@gmail.com, Office at Chamber No. 862, Lawyers Block, Saket Court Complex, New Delhi, is appointed as Local Commissioner** for preparing inventory of the articles lying in Bank Locker bearing locker no. **664 attached with State Bank of India 6 Ring Road, Lajpat Nagar-4, New Delhi** , in the name of deceased parents of the petitioner **Lt. Sh. R. K Berri** and **Lt. Shri Asha Berri**. The Local Commissioner shall be accompanied by

the petitioner to the bank for the preparation of duplicate key of the lockers and for the purpose of preparation of inventory. Branch Manager of the concerned bank is directed to co-operate with the Local Commissioner for the aforesaid purpose and also to remain present during the course of preparation of the inventory. The Local Commissioner shall inform the petitioner as well as the Branch Manager well in advance and shall fix date and time as per the convenience of the bank and the petitioner.

4. The process of preparation of inventory shall be photographed / videographed on the expenses of the petitioner and the same shall be filed in the Court along with the report of the Local Commissioner. Local Commissioner shall file her report along with "On the Spot Report" duly signed by the petitioner and the Branch Manager / Official concerned of the Bank within a week from the date of her visit to the bank.

5. Petitioner shall pay a remuneration of Rs.15,000/- to the Local Commissioner for the entire process.

6. Further, in order to ascertain the value of the jewellery articles, if any, lying in the lockers of the deceased, Government Approved Valuer is also to be appointed as also requested by Ld. Counsel for petitioner, who shall prepare valuation report of said articles.

7. Accordingly, a Government Approved Valuer namely Sh. Rakesh Sonik (Govt. Approved Valuer), having Mobile No.9891272938 at C-53A, Ganesh Nagar, Tilak Nagar Delhi, West Delhi-110018 who was previously appointed by the Ld. Predecessor Court in another matter, is again appointed as a valuer for the purpose of ascertaining the monetary value of the articles lying in the said

locker. The valuer Sh. Rakesh Sonik shall also accompany the petitioner and Local Commissioner to the bank and shall prepare the valuation report in presence of the Local Commissioner as well as the Branch Manager and petitioner. The Valuer shall obtain the signature of petitioner, Local Commissioner as well as of the Branch Manager on his report which shall be filed along with report of Local Commissioner in the Court. The remuneration of the Government Approved Valuer is fixed at Rs. 7,000/- to be paid by the petitioner on the spot for the entire process with respect to the aforesaid locker. The proceedings of the Local Commissioner as well as the valuation report shall be signed by all the persons present at the spot.

8. Local Commissioner shall also file the photographs of the each of the articles which are to be valued expenses whereof shall be born petitioner. The valuer shall submit copy of his certification along with the valuation report to the Local Commissioner, who shall file the same along with her report in the Court. The Local Commissioner shall appear before the Court for recording of her statement on the next date of hearing.

9. Put up for further proceedings on **24.09.2025**.

10. Copy of this order be given dasti.

(Rahul Bhatia)
DJ-01 (South East) Saket Court
New Delhi/21.08.2025