

**IN THE COURT OF DR. PANKAJ SHARMA:
DISTRICT JUDGE - 02 & WAQF TRIBUNAL:
PATIALA HOUSE COURTS : NEW DELHI**

Arbtrn. No. 330/2026

IDFC First Bank Ltd.

Having its regional office at :
KRM Towers, 7th Floor no. 1,
Harrington Road, Chetpet,
Chennai-600031

Branch Office at :
Upper Ground Floor no. 62/20,
Opposite New Prem Dhaba &
Big Bazar, New Rohtak Road,
Karol Bagh,
New Delhi – 110005
AND

No. 25, Lower Ground Floor,
Birla Tower, Barakhamba Road,
New Delhi-110001

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

Sampat Devi

S/o Sh. Mahadev X
R/o H.No. D1 80, Nangloi
Kunwar Singh Nagar,
West Delhi-110041
Ph. No. 9354030238.

..... Respondent

18.03.2026

Fresh petition under Section 9 of Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996 received by way of assignment. It be checked and registered.

Present: Ms. Aditi Gupta Mahajan, Ld. Counsel for the petitioner
{through VC}.

Arguments on the petition heard.

ORDER

1. The petitioner has approached this court under Section 9 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 for interim relief till the arbitration proceedings are initiated. The petitioner has prayed for an ad interim ex-parte appointment of receiver for re-possessing of a vehicle make **Bajaj Auto Ltd. Bajaj Pulsar 125 Neon Disc CBS BS6, BEARING CHASIS NO. MD2B68BX0RPB14808, ENGINE NO. DHXPRB19984, REGISTRATION NO. DL12ST1349.**

2. I have perused the record.

3. The petitioner is stated to be engaged in the business of finance, loans, hire purchase etc. It has been stated that petitioner granted a loan in the sum of **Rs.92,868/-** to the respondent vide a **loan cum hypothecation agreement No. 160250291** for purchase of the above mentioned vehicle. According to the terms and conditions of the agreement, the respondent was bound to timely repay the loan by way of EMIs. However, the respondent is stated to have failed to make the payments as per the agreed schedule and has committed repeated defaults. The respondent has defaulted in payment of **03 EMIs**. The petitioner was thus constrained to terminate/recall the loan facility vide **legal notice dated 25.02.2026**. The respondent did not respond even to the said notice.

4. The terms and conditions of the agreement require that any dispute arising out of or in connection with the said agreement shall be referred to and resolved by Arbitration. The respondent having failed to comply with the terms and conditions of the agreement and also having failed to respond or comply with the legal notice, the petitioner is now in the process of initiating Arbitration proceedings. I have perused the **loan cum hypothecation agreement No. 160250291.**

5. Though, the dispute shall be resolved through arbitration, the petitioner has reasons to believe that the respondent shall malafidely dispose of/sell/transfer the said vehicle. The petitioner seeks to protect its interest in the vehicle and the amounts due from the respondent as the vehicle in question is a security with the petitioner for the amount advanced to the respondent. The petitioner seeks to secure its claim by preventing the respondent from selling the vehicle with a view to frustrate their claim. The petitioner has submitted that in case, the interim protection is not granted, the purpose of the Arbitration would be infructuous.

6. The petitioner has made out a prima facie case for repossession of the Hypothecated Vehicle. The balance of convenience also lies in the favour of the petitioner as a substantial loan amount still stands unpaid and the respondent is using the vehicle. I find force in the submissions of the counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner would suffer irreparable loss in case, the respondent disposes of the hypothecated vehicle.

7. The petitioner has prayed that its representative may be appointed as a receiver as it would be convenient to coordinate the repossession of the vehicle. Thus, **Sh. Farman Khan** is hereby appointed receiver with authorization to seize the hypothecated vehicle by removing the same from the possession and custody of respondent or any third person found to be in possession of the said vehicle, **TVS Bajaj Auto Ltd. Bajaj Pulsar 125 Neon Disc CBS BS6, BEARING CHASIS NO. MD2B68BX0RPB14808, ENGINE NO. DHXPRB19984, REGISTRATION NO. DL12ST1349** in accordance with law. If required, police aid may be taken by the receiver. Since the receiver appointed to repossess the vehicle is a representative of the petitioner company, the petitioner company shall remunerate the receiver as it deems fit. Further, for the same reason, both the receiver and the petitioners company shall act as *Custodian Legis* and shall keep the vehicle post repossession

in safe custody and shall be liable to the court for the same. The order is subject to following conditions :

- (a) The receiver shall remain personally present at the time of seizing the vehicle.
- (b) The person from whose custody the vehicle is repossessed shall be permitted to take his belongings from the vehicle.
- (c) The receiver shall give a receipt of seizing the vehicle with exact date and an inventory of the articles found from the vehicle to the respondent or such other person from whose custody the vehicle is taken. A copy thereof shall be filed before Ld. Arbitrator if appointed by that time or in alternative before this Court alongwith the receiver's report of taking possession.
- (d) The receiver shall also note the condition of the vehicle in the said receipt. Photographs pertaining to the condition of the vehicle shall be taken and given to the respondent or such other person from whose custody the vehicle is taken.
- (e) The petitioner shall not dispose of the said vehicle without the written permission of Ld. Arbitrator or this Court.
- (f) The petitioner shall not sell dismantle or create encumbrance on the vehicle and shall maintain the vehicle in the same condition as it is when seized, so far as practically possible. **The petitioner shall be held liable for any kind of loss occurring to the vehicle due to their willful default or gross negligence.**
- (g) In case the respondent pays up for all pending EMI, without fine or other charges till date at the time of taking possession or within four weeks of the repossession of the vehicle by the receiver, the vehicle shall not be alienated and shall be handed back to the respondent upon such payment.
- (h) In case the vehicle is not repossessed within a period of **60 days** from the date of this order, the present order shall cease to be in operation, since the present proceedings are only interim measures with the dispute being required to be resolved by the Arbitrator.

(i) Arbitral proceedings shall commence within 90 days of this order in term of amended Section 9 (2) of Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996. For all further reliefs petitioner would be at liberty to approach Ld. Arbitrator u/Sec 17 of the Act.

8. Upon failure of the receiver and/or the petitioner to comply with the above stated conditions, the order of appointment of the receiver shall cease to be in force and the vehicle shall be released on terms and conditions deemed fit by Ld.Arbitrator. The receiver shall submit his report with regard to the repossession **within a week** of the said repossession.

9. It is made clear that in case of any dispute *inter se* parties qua the present petition, they can approach to this court, as per law.

File be consigned to the Record Room, after necessary compliance.

Copy of this order be given Dasti, as prayed.

**(Dr. Pankaj Sharma)
DJ-02 & Wakf Tribunal
PHC/NEW DELHI
18.03.2026**