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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NITIN WASUDEO SAMBRE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANISH DAYAL

ORDER

% **06.11.2025**

1. In compliance with the last order of this court dated 25th September 2025, the Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies ('CRCS') has placed on



record his affidavit dated 4th November 2025, enclosing the copy of the Forensic Audit Report. The said audit report in *paragraph no. 7* of the affidavit of the report of Forensic Audit speaks of the financial health of the society and same reads as under:

“7. The forensic audit report further indicates the current position of Net Assets in a deficit of Rs. 3,64,84,03,714 reflecting severe erosion of member funds and asset value. The forensic audit report has concluded that "a pattern of financial manipulation, procedural violations, and governance failures resulting in aggravated member losses, unverified assets, regulatory risks, and severe erosion of trust in management. Immediate remedial measures and enforcement actions are recommended to recover lost funds, rectify systemic risks and restore compliance.”

2. We appreciate the approach on the part of CRCS in completing the forensic audit within the time assured to this Court; however, we are equally required to be sensitive to the recovery of amount to be affected, and the steps taken in that regard as per the statutory provisions.

3. Counsel for petitioner, in our opinion, is justified in inviting our attention to the provisions of *Section 83* of the Multi-State Cooperative Societies Act, 2002 (***MCS Act***). The said provision contemplates an inquiry and recovery of amount from the defaulting persons, including that of office bearers, staff, employees, and officers of the society.

4. *Paragraph 14* of the affidavit, in our opinion, as such, is contrary to the statutory mandate provided under *Section 83* of the MCS Act.

5. That being so, we direct the CRCS to file his own affidavit, dealing with the said aspect of the matter to be placed on record within a period of



two weeks from today and the steps that he intends to take in the matter of recovery of the amount based on the Forensic Audit Report.

6. The statement that respondent-Registrar intends to proceed with the liquidation of the society is an issue, which is at his disposal, and it is for him to take the decision as suggested by him pursuant to the last order of this Court, in the fitness of things.

7. Stand over for 9th December 2025.

8. Order be uploaded on the website of this Court.

NITIN WASUDEO SAMBRE, J

ANISH DAYAL, J

NOVEMBER 06, 2025/pr/bp