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THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)

Case No. : WP(C)/3431/2026

NAZIA SULTANA BARBHUIYA
WIFE OF AZIZUR RAHMAN MAZARBHUIYA, RESIDENT OF VILLAGE-
VICHINGCHA PART- I, P.O.- VICHINGCHA, DISTRICT- HAILAKANDI ASSAM,
PIN- 788151

VERSUS

PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK AND 3 ORS
REPRESENTED BY ITS CHAIRMAN-CUM-MANAGING DIRECTOR, HEAD
OFFICE, PLOT NO. 4, SECTOR- 10, DWARKA, NEW DELHI- 110075

2:THE CIRCLE HEAD
PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK
CIRCLE OFFICE
SILCHAR
DISTRICT- CACHAR
ASSAM
PIN 788001

3:THE BRANCH MANAGER
PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK
HAILAKANDI BRANCH
P.O. AND DISTRICT- HAILAKANDI ASSAM- 788151

4:THE POLICE INSPECTOR
CYBER CRIME POLICE STATION
CRIME BRANCH
VADODARA CITY
VADODARA
GUJARAT
PIN- 39000

Advocate for the Petitioner : MR. S B LASKAR, MS D DUTTA,MR. H A LASKAR

Advocate for the Respondent : SC, PNB,

**BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE MANISH CHOUDHURY**

ORDER

Date : 26.06.2026

Heard Mr. S.B. Laskar, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. A. Parvej, learned counsel for the respondent nos. 1 – 3.

2. The petitioner is maintaining a Savings Bank Account no. 0596010338158 at Hailakandi Branch of respondent Punjab National Bank [the respondent no. 3]. The petitioner is an Assistant Teacher at 246 No. Paschim Rowerpar L.P. School. It is stated that the petitioner's monthly salary gets deposited in the said Savings Bank Account. However, on receipt of a Communication dated 22.12.2025 from the respondent no. 4, the respondent no. 3 has put the Bank Account of the petitioner on hold and the petitioner is prevented from operating the Bank Account. As a result of keeping the Bank Account in debit freezed condition, the petitioner has not been able to withdraw even his salary from the Bank Account. As the petitioner has already taken a loan, and because of the said instruction from the respondent no. 4, the petitioner has not been able to repay the loan amount.

3. The Communication of the respondent no. 4 is annexed to the writ petition as Annexure-1. In the said Communication, the respondent no. 4 had conveyed that certain fraudulent credit transactions had taken place in the Bank Account

of the petitioner. However, no details about the alleged fraudulent transactions were mentioned in the said Communication.

4. Issue notice, returnable on 10.08.2026.

5. As Mr. Parvej, learned counsel has appeared and accepted notice on behalf of the respondent nos. 1 – 3, issuance of formal notices to the said respondents are dispensed with. However, requisite nos. of extra copies of the writ petition along with annexures are to be furnished to Mr. Parvej during the course of the day.

6. The petitioner shall take steps for service of notice upon the respondent no. 4 by speed post within 2 [two] working days from today.

7. The respondent Bank authorities are to bring their stand by way of an affidavit before the returnable date. The affidavit shall disclose the reason why the debit freezed instruction has been made on the entire balance amount of the Bank Account of the petitioner. The affidavit shall also deal as to what further instruction has been received from the respondent no. 4.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant