

**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN
AT JODHPUR**

S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 9549/2026
CRN: RJHC010429742026
URN: CW / 17537U / 2026

Madna Ram

-----Petitioner

Versus

Reserve Bank Of India

-----Respondent

Connected With

1. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 2911/2026 (URN: CW / 5410U / 2026)
2. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 9875/2026 (URN: CW / 18087U / 2026)
3. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 10355/2026 (URN: CW / 18903U / 2026)
4. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 11801/2026 (URN: CW / 21335U / 2026)
5. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 11886/2026 (URN: CW / 21537U / 2026)
6. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 11889/2026 (URN: CW / 21540U / 2026)
7. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 11901/2026 (URN: CW / 21559U / 2026)
8. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 11933/2026 (URN: CW / 21610U / 2026)
9. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12071/2026 (URN: CW / 21857U / 2026)
10. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12087/2026 (URN: CW / 21894U / 2026)
11. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12107/2026 (URN: CW / 21925U / 2026)
12. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12122/2026 (URN: CW / 21992U / 2026)
13. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12146/2026 (URN: CW / 22042U / 2026)
14. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12164/2026 (URN: CW / 22068U / 2026)

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15. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12589/2026 (URN: CW / 22883U / 2026)

16. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12766/2026 (URN: CW / 23305U / 2026)

17. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12805/2026 (URN: CW / 23419U / 2026)

18. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12811/2026 (URN: CW / 23430U / 2026)

19. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12845/2026 (URN: CW / 23477U / 2026)

20. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12852/2026 (URN: CW / 23484U / 2026)

21. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12878/2026 (URN: CW / 23511U / 2026)

22. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12897/2026 (URN: CW / 23541U / 2026)

23. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12962/2026 (URN: CW / 23654U / 2026)

24. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13058/2026 (URN: CW / 23815U / 2026)

25. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13076/2026 (URN: CW / 23834U / 2026)

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28. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13133/2026 (URN: CW / 23917U / 2026)

29. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13139/2026 (URN: CW / 23934U / 2026)

30. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13141/2026 (URN: CW / 23939U / 2026)

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33. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13163/2026 (URN: CW / 23976U / 2026)

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36. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13183/2026 (URN: CW / 23997U / 2026)

37. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13199/2026 (URN: CW / 24026U / 2026)

38. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13202/2026 (URN: CW / 24029U / 2026)

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64. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13488/2026 (URN: CW / 24516U / 2026)

65. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13577/2026 (URN: CW / 24661U / 2026)

66. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13634/2026 (URN: CW / 24803U / 2026)

67. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13797/2026 (URN: CW / 25133U / 2026)

68. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13886/2026 (URN: CW / 25294U /

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69. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 14146/2026 (URN: CW / 25832U / 2026)

70. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 14346/2026 (URN: CW / 26182U / 2026)

71. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 15314/2026 (URN: CW / 27691U / 2026)

72. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12050/2026 (URN: CW / 21794U / 2026)

73. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13092/2026 (URN: CW / 23856U / 2026)

74. S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 14014/2026 (URN: CW / 25569U / 2026)

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Mr. Mukul Bhati
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Mr. Rajak Khan Hairdar
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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SAMEER JAIN

Order

21/07/2026

1. In pursuance of the detailed order passed by this Court on 06.07.2026, it is informed that the Superintendent of Police (Cyber Crime) has convened a holistic meeting with the concerned stakeholders, including the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), State Bank of India (SBI), Punjab National Bank (PNB), Bank of Baroda (BoB), and others.
2. Learned counsel appearing for the RBI submits that a subsequent meeting was scheduled to be convened on 17.07.2026; however, the outcome of the same is not known to him as of today.
3. It is noted with concern that no one has marked attendance on behalf of the Cyber Crime police department today, nor has any

application for exemption from personal appearance been filed before this Court.

4. Mr. Raj Singh Bhati appearing on behalf of Mr. Ritu Raj Singh Bhati, learned Government Counsel and Mr. Anirudh Singh Shekhawat, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the Advocate General, pray for a short accommodation to place the appropriate factual scenario on record. It is submitted that in compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) have been framed. It is contended that aggrieved petitioners can raise their grievances before the competent authority designated under the said SOP, which can take a decision in a time-bound manner after considering the factual aspects, especially since disputed questions of fact cannot be adjudicated under jurisdiction of Article 226 of the Constitution of India.

5. Mr. Manoj Bhandari, learned Senior Counsel appearing as *amicus curiae*, has drawn the attention of this Court to Sections 106 and 107 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS). It is submitted that the blanket freezing/seizure of bank accounts is *per se void ab initio*, and the provisions of Section 106 of the BNSS are not applicable in such a manner. Learned *amicus curiae* prays for some time to apprise this Court on the broader legal issue: whether a writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India would be maintainable in criminal proceedings where an alternative, efficacious remedy under Section 528 of the BNSS is allegedly unavailable, and in light of the SOP created pursuant to the order dated 01.12.2025 enunciated by the Hon'ble Supreme Court passed in **Suo Moto Writ Petition (Criminal) No(s).**

3/2025 in Re: Victims of Digital Arrest related to forged documents.

6. During the proceedings today, video conferencing facility was arranged to facilitate the appearance of the officials from the RBI and the respective banks. However, on account of a technical glitch, the concerned officers of the banks were not audible to the Court.

7. Learned *amicus curiae* suggested that given the recurring nature of the issue and the likelihood of multiple replications, the physical presence of the Superintendent of Police (Cyber Crime) and the stakeholders i.e., the banks, is highly essential. It is highlighted that numerous petitions pertaining to the freezing of bank accounts are pending before this Court, and special courts at Jaipur Metropolitan and Jodhpur Metropolitan have also been designated to address such cyber crime related issues.

8. Considering the substantial questions of law involved and the sheer urgency of the matter affecting numerous account holders, this Court deems it appropriate to list this batch of matters on 28.07.2026 in the supplementary cause list, at the top of the board.

9. The Head of the RBI and Head Incharge(s), Rajasthan Region of SBI, PNB, BoB, and the Superintendent of Police (Cyber Crime) are directed to remain physically present before this Court on the next date of hearing to assist and address the Court.

10. To streamline the proceedings and ensure seamless coordination, this Court appoints Mr. Ritu Raj Singh Bhati, learned GC, as the Nodal Officer for all these clubbed matters. He shall ensure that all requisite documents, pleadings, and SOPs are

supplied to the learned *amicus curiae*. Moreover, if the respective parties wish to file any appropriate documents, reports, or written submissions, they are at liberty to file the same in coordination with the Nodal Officer.

(SAMEER JAIN),J