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Ct. No. 7  
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**WPA 5263 of 2026**

**AXIS BANK LIMITED AND ANR.  
VS.  
STATE OF WEST BENGAL AND ORS.**

Mr. Sayak Ranjan Ganguly  
Ms. Srijani Ghosh  
Ms. Ankita Jha  
Ms. Kripa Kami

....for the Petitioners

Mr. Vivekananda Bose  
Ms. Subhra Nag

....for the State

This is an application seeking expeditious disposal of the proceeding pending under Section 14 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

It is submitted on behalf of the petitioner that notwithstanding having filed this application as far back as on July, 2024 and despite the statutory embargo. There has been total inaction on the part of the State administration.

It is also submitted on behalf of the petitioner that in clear violation of the statutory mandate in disposing such application within the prescribed period of sixty days, District Magistrates are setting over such matters deliberately awaiting directions of the High Court.

In such circumstances, the State is directed to file a Report explaining the delay in the disposal of the above application under section 14 of the Act.

It is made clear that the pendency of this application will not prevent the District Magistrate in disposing of the subject application prior to the returnable date.

Let this matter appear on March 23, 2026 for the State to file the above Report.

By consent of the parties, the writ petition stands amended to implead the District Magistrate, Purba Medinipur in place of District Magistrate, Barasat. The petitioner is directed to carry out such formal amendments within the course of the week.

**(RAVI KRISHAN KAPUR, J.)**