

D/L. 25.
December 22, 2023.
MNS.

WPA No. 25042 of 2023

Rubayet Chakraborty
Vs.
Punjab national Bank and another

Mr. Shounak Mukhopadhyay,
Mr. Sayantan Bose,
Ms. Ankita Choudhury

... for the petitioner.

Mr. Pankaj Kumar Mukherjee

...for the Punjab National Bank.

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks an extension of time to file affidavit-in-reply.
2. It transpires from the order dated December 11, 2023 that on the said date, on the prayer of learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, the time for filing affidavit-in-reply was already extended till December 18, 2023.
3. It is further seen from the records that by an order dated November 22, 2023, the initial direction for filing affidavits was given, as per which, the affidavit-in-reply was to be filed by December 5, 2023.
4. Due to the habitual default on the part of the petitioner in filing the affidavit-in-reply, the

petitioner is directed to pay costs of Rs.20,000/- to the respondent-bank by January 5, 2024.

5. Subject to paying such costs, the time for filing of the affidavit-in-reply is extended till January 5, 2024 itself.
6. The matter shall next be listed for hearing on January 8, 2024 under the regular heading.

(Sabyasachi Bhattacharyya, J.)