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ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
Constitutional Writ Jurisdiction
ORIGINAL SIDE

WPO/62/2026

ANSHUMALA BANSAL
VS
PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK AND ANOTHER

BEFORE:

The Hon'ble JUSTICE REETOBROTO KUMAR MITRA

Date : 20th February, 2026.

Appearance:

Mr. Anirban Ray, Sr. Adv.

Ms. Micky Choudhury, Adv.

Mr. S. Chakraborty, Adv.

... for the petitioner

Ms. Parna Roy Choudhury, Adv.

Ms. Payel Ghosh, Adv.

Ms. Trisa Chanda, Adv.

... for the respondents

The Court :- Ms. Roy Choudhury appearing for the bank submits that the money has not been retained out of volition but on account of circumstantial difficulties, emanating from the order of the Debts Recovery Tribunal of 27th January, 2025.

Mr. Ray, learned senior Counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that a substantial part of the consideration was deposited on 27th January, 2025 while the balance was put in on 1st February, 2025, inspite the bank having knowledge of the subsisting interim order, without

disclosing the same and threatening forfeiture of the money already deposited.

It has been more than a year that a substantial sum of money has been retained by the bank, which was received from the petitioner. The bank has held the money without confirming the sale nor taking any other steps in furtherance of the same. The bank is directed to refund the entire amount upon getting necessary clearance by March 20, 2026.

Ms. Roy Choudhury is directed to come with the appropriate instrument of refund on the returnable date.

List the matter accordingly.

(REETOBROTO KUMAR MITRA, J.)