

WPA 20095 of 2026

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Ct. 07
(Samar)

Canara Bank

Vs.

The District Magistrate, Bankura & Ors.

Mr. Farooque Ali,
Mr. Faizan Md. Zafar,

....for the petitioner.

Ms. Smita Pal,

....for the State.

Mr. Sandipan Maity,
Mr. S. Banerjee,

....for the respondent no. 6.

1. This writ petition alleges inaction on the part of the respondent State authorities in providing Police assistance to the petitioner enable it to take possession of the secured assets despite an order dated August 21, 2024 having been passed by the District Magistrate under Section 14 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.
2. The borrower and State are represented.
3. Learned advocate appearing for the petitioner submits that despite the aforesaid order having been passed, neither the District Magistrate nor the Police authorities have taken any steps in furtherance of the said order.
4. Learned advocate appearing for the State respondents rebuts such contention and submits

that delay has been occasioned because of the inability of the petitioner to identify the secured asset, possession whereof was to be given.

5. In such regard, the learned advocate appearing for the State hands up to Court a copy of the letter issued by the senior Manager of the petitioner Bank stating that the requisite clarification as regards the secured asset would be provided to the concerned Officer-in-Charge/Inspector-in-Charge, Barjora upon getting specific reply to the said Officer-in-Charge's letter dated July 15, 2025 from the higher authorities of the Senior Manager.
6. It is submitted that till date, the identification of the property has not been done.
7. Having regard to the facts and circumstances, of the instant case, it does not appear that the State authorities are at fault. However, once the petitioner Bank intimates the Officer-in-Charge about the specific secured asset possession whereof is required to be taken and deposits the costs for Police assistance, the respondent State authorities would take immediate steps for providing appropriate Police Assistance to the petitioner for the purpose of taking possession of the secured asset. The respondent Police authorities would intimate the petitioner about the costs to be put in within a period of three working days from the date

of the receipt of the specific information about the secured asset from the Bank.

8. Upon the petitioner depositing the costs, as may be intimated to the petitioner by the respondent Police authorities, the Police Authorities would endeavour to provide adequate Police assistance to the petitioner upon due notice therefor preferably within a week thereafter.
9. Accordingly, WPA 20095 of 2026 stands disposed of. No Costs.
10. Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties subject to compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Om Narayan Rai, J.)