

BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT SPECIAL LOK ADALAT
PROCEEDINGS OFCivil Appeal No(s). 9041/2013

STATE BANK OF INDIA & ANR.

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

SURESH KUMAR

Respondent(s)

Date : 22-08-2026

PRESENT : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.V. VISWANATHAN
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI
SHRI GOPAL SANKARANARAYANAN, SENIOR ADVOCATE
SHRI TALHA ABDUL RAHMAN, ADVOCATE-ON-RECORD

For Appellant(s) : Mr. Sanjay Kapur, AOR
Mr. Surya Prakash, Adv.
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For Respondent(s) : Mr. Siddharth Krishna Dwivedi, AOR
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Mr. Rishabh Srivastava, Adv.

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1. We have heard Mr. Sanjay Kapur, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner(s), and also interacted with the sole respondent - Mr. Suresh Kumar and with the officer of the Bank, present in Court today.

2. As per the original terms of settlement vide Settlement Agreement dated 30.07.2026 entered into between the parties at the District Legal Services Authority, Mandi, Himachal Pradesh, it was agreed that the petitioner-Bank shall pay a sum of Rs.6,00,000/- (Rupees Six Lakhs Only) as a one-time ex-gratia amount at simple interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from March, 2012 to the

respondent.

3. Today, before this Court, the respondent made a prayer for increasing the said amount.

4. We put the said prayer to Mr. Sanjay Kapur, learned counsel for the petitioner-Bank who, after obtaining instructions from the Officer of the Bank present in the Court, agreed to increase the amount to a consolidated sum of Rs.15,00,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs only).

5. The sole respondent expressed his full satisfaction with the amount of Rs.15,00,000/- offered to him by the petitioner-Bank.

6. We make it clear that the said amount will be a full and final settlement amount.

7. We record our appreciation for the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner-Bank, the Officer of the Bank and for the sole respondent, for positively having approached the matter and having worked out the settlement.

8. Accordingly, the Civil Appeal stands disposed of the above terms.

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