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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 21-07-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K.SURENDER

WP No. 34679 of 2025 and

WMP No.38868 of 2025

M/s.Pulsus Helath Tech LLP,
Represented by its Managing Partner,
Mrs.Anitha Gedela,
H.No.1-90/A, Plot Nos.20 and 21,
Kavuri Hills, Guttala Begumpet,
Madhapur, Hyderabad, Telengana-500081.

..Petitioner

Vs

1. The Regional Commissioner,
Employees Provident Fund Organisation,
Regional Office, Tambaram, Chennai-600 045.
2. The Enforcement Officer,
Employees Provident Fund Organisation,
Regional Office Tambaram, Chennai-600 045.

..Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, seeking to issue a Writ of Certiorari, calling for the records of the Central Government Industrial Tribunal, Chennai which is the designate EPF Appellate Tribunal relating to the order dated 04.08.2025 in EPF Appeal No.208 of 2024 and quash the same in so far as it holds that the Tribunal has no power to direct the respondent to refund the amount which has already been recovered by the respondent from the bank account of the petitioner.

For Petitioner:

Ms.Ramapriya Gopalakrishnan

For Respondents:

Mr.R.Thirunavukarasu For R1 & R2

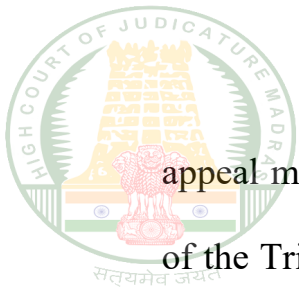


ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking to quash the order dated 04.08.2025 in EPF Appeal No.208 of 2024 passed by the Central Government Industrial Tribunal, Chennai.

2. The petitioner has preferred an appeal before the Central Government Industrial Tribunal, Chennai which is the Appellate Tribunal for refund of the debited amount as against the order passed under Section 7A of the Employees Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 (in short 'the Act') determining the amount due from the petitioner as Rs.2,09,50,156/- and debited from the bank account of the petitioner.

3. The grievance of the petitioner is that the amount under Section 7 A of the Act was determined as Rs.2,09,50,156/- by an order dated 09.02.2024. Thereafter the respondent attached the bank account of the petitioner company and realised the entire amount. After attachment and recovery of the entire amount, according to the petitioner they came to know about the said 7A Proceedings. Hence E.P.A.No.208/2024 was filed before the Central Government Industrial Tribunal, Chennai, however with a delay. The delay was condoned and the appeal was entertained. Consequently, the petitioner filed an application seeking return of the amount which was already attached and recovered by the respondent, mainly on the ground that for entertaining an



appeal maximum amount that can be deposited is 75% and with the discretion of the Tribunal, it can be in between 25% to 75%. while the maximum amount is 75 %, 100% has already been recovered, the petitioner sought to return atleast 25% of the amount that was recovered.

4. The learned counsel on either side would submit that the appeal is at the stage of final arguments and for filing written arguments.

5. Keeping in mind the present scenario and the undertaking given by both the counsels that they would not delay the appeal proceedings before the Industrial Tribunal, the Central Government Industrial Tribunal, Chennai is requested to dispose of the appeal in E.P.A.No.208/2024 as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. With the above direction, this writ petition stands disposed of. No costs.

(K.SURENDER,J.)
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