IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.K.JAYASANKARAN NAMBIAR

FRIDAY, THE 6TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2015/15TH KARTHIKA, 1937

WP(C).No. 25826 of 2015 (C)

PETITIONER(S) :

SAJEEV MADHAVAN,
S/O.MADHAVAN, KALATHIPARAMBIL HOUSE, ANAKARA P.O.,
THRISSUR - 680 508.

BY ADV. SRI.K.I.SAGEER

RESPONDENT(S) :

THE FEDERAL BANK LTD.,
THOTTAKKATTUKARA BRANCH, PARACKAL TOWERS,
U.C.COLLEGE P.O., ALUVA - 683 102,
REPRESENTED BY ITS AUTHORISED OFFICER.

BY ADVS. SRI.GEORGE VARGHESE (MANACHIRACKEL)
SMT.SALI. P. MATHEW (MUNNAR)

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 06-11-2015, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

Msd.

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APPENDIX

PETITIONER(S)' EXHIBITS :

EXHIBIT P1: **A TRUE COPY OF THE NOTICE NO.TTA/SARF/HLE 5655/039/15 DATED 15.07.2015 ISSUED BY THE RESPONDENT TO THE PETITIONER.**

RESPONDENT(S)' EXHIBITS :
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P.A.TO JUDGE.

Msd.

A.K.JAYASANKARAN NAMBIAR, J.

W.P.(C).NO.25826 OF 2015 (C)

Dated this the 6th day of November, 2015

J U D G M E N T

The petitioner, who had availed of a housing loan from the respondent bank, defaulted in repayment of the same. Consequently, the respondent bank initiated proceedings under the Securitisation and Reconstructions of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, hereinafter referred to as the 'SARFAESI Act', to recover the loan amounts. Ext.P1 is the notice issued to the petitioner under Section 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act. In the writ petition, the petitioner impugns the steps initiated by the respondent bank for recovery of the loan amounts.

2. I have heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner as also the learned Standing counsel appearing for the respondent bank.

On a consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions made across the bar, I note that the sole prayer of the petitioner is to permit him to remit the balance amounts outstanding to the bank in easy installments. Taking into account the plea of financial hardship raised by the petitioner, I dispose the writ petition with the following directions:

> (i) The total overdue amount, in respect of the loan availed by the petitioner, as on today, is stated to be Rs.16,05,794/- together with accrued interest. Accordingly, if the petitioner pays the said amount of Rs.16,05,794/- together with accrued interest in ten equal and successive monthly installments commencing from 30.11.2015, and continues to keep up the regular installment payments as per the original loan schedule, then the further proceedings initiated against him by the respondent bank shall be kept in abeyance.
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> (ii) It is further made clear that if the petitioner commits a default in respect of any of the installments, he will lose the benefit of this judgment and the respondent bank will be free to continue the recovery proceedings against him from the stage at which they presently stand.

A.K.JAYASANKARAN NAMBIAR
JUDGE

prp/6/11/15