

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

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**Civil Writ Petition No.12857 of 2015(O & M)
Date of Decision:10.05.2016**

Punjab National Bank

....petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE S.J.VAZIFDAR, ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ARUN PALLI**

Present: Mr.R.S.Bhatia, Advocate
for the petitioner

Mr.Rajinder Goyal, Addl.AG Punjab

Mr.I.S.Ratta, Advocate
for respondent No. 4

S.J.VAZIFDAR, ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE (ORAL):

The only relief that the petitioner claims is an order directing respondent Nos.2 and 3 i.e.District Magistrates of the DC Office, Ludhiana and Barnala, respectively, to decide its application under Section 14 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI Act).

We are informed that respondent No.3 has already passed the order in this regard. There is nothing to indicate that respondent No.2 is refusing to hear and decide the matter. Indeed he is bound to hear and decide the matter in accordance with law and in its turn subject to any order of expedition he may pass.

The petition is therefore disposed of by directing

respondent No.2 to decide the matter in accordance with law. It is clarified that any application for adjournment of the matter or for a stay thereof on the part of the respondents or any other party must be made before respondent No.2 who will deal with such application also.

The petition is accordingly disposed of. All the interim orders stand vacated.

**(S.J. VAZIFDAR)
ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE**

**(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE**

May 10, 2016
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