

D/L.50.  
March 11, 2026.  
KAUSHIK

**WPA No. 5286 of 2026**

Harbour AMC Private Limited  
Vs.  
Bank of Baroda & Ors.

Mr. Supratim Dhar  
Mr. Aritra Basu  
Ms. Tanwishree Mukherjee  
... for the petitioner

Mr. Avishek Guha  
Ms. Arunima Dutta  
... for the respondent no. 5

Mr. Joydeep Banerjee  
... for the State

Affidavit-of-Service filed in Court is taken  
on record.

None appears on behalf of State authority  
nor is any adjournment prayed for on their behalf.

Mr. Joydeep Banerjee, Advocate, who  
usually appears on behalf of State is directed to  
appear in this matter. The appointment of Mr.  
Banerjee be regularized by the Legal  
Remembrancer.

The petitioner is directed to serve a copy  
of this writ petition to Mr. Banerjee in the course  
of the day.

The grievance of the petitioner is directed  
against inaction of the respondent and more  
particularly the District Magistrate, South 24-  
Parganas in handing over possession of a  
secured asset notwithstanding a positive order

passed under Section 14 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI).

In view of the submissions made on behalf of the parties, the State is directed to take instructions and file a Report as to why there has been inordinate and unexplained delay on the part of the concerned District Magistrate. Let such exercise be completed within seven days from date. It is clarified that the pendency of the proceeding will not prevent the concerned District Magistrate from ensuring compliance with the order passed under Section 14 of the Act of 2002.

**(Ravi Krishan Kapur, J.)**