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IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
Special Jurisdiction [Income Tax]

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ITAT/112/2026
IA NO: GA/1/2026, GA/2/2026
PRINCIPAL COMMISSIONER OF INCOME TAX 5, KOLKATA
VS
VINOD KUMAR LAHOTI

BEFORE :
THE HON'BLE JUSTICE RAJARSHI BHARADWAJ
And
THE HON'BLE JUSTICE UDAY KUMAR
Date : 29th June, 2026

Appearance :
Mr. Prabir Kumar Bhowmik, Adv.
Mr. Anurag Roy, Adv.
..for appellant.

Mr. Pratyush Jhunjhunwala, Adv.
Ms. Sruti Datta, Adv.
Ms. Sakshi Singh, Adv.
...for respondent.

The Court : Affidavit of service filed today is taken on record.

Heard learned counsel appearing for either of the parties.

There is a delay of 75 days in filing the appeal. We are satisfied with the explanation offered for not preferring the appeal within time. Therefore, the delay is condoned. The application being GA/1/2026 is allowed.

Learned counsel for the appellant submits that the tax effect in this case is Rs.75,29,079/- for the Assessment Year 2013-14 which is below the tax limit as prescribed in the CBDT Circular No.9/2024 dated 17th September, 2024 and Circular

No.5 of 2024 dated 15th March, 2024 but the case falls within the exceptional category under para 3.1(h) as per CBDT Circular No.5 of 2024 dated 15th March, 2024.

We have perused the application, the assessment order, appellate order of the learned Commissioner of Income Tax and the order of the learned Tribunal dated July 25, 2025.

We do not find any reason to entertain this appeal where the appellant has not clearly suggested which exceptional clause as read in para 3.1(h) as per CBDT Circular No.5 of 2024 dated 15th March, 2024 is applicable in the present appeal.

As such, this appeal and the connected application being GA/2/2026 are dismissed as the tax effect in this matter is below Rs. 2 crores.

(RAJARSHI BHARADWAJ, J.)

(UDAY KUMAR, J.)

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