IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

65 WRIT PETITION NO. 7931 OF 2026

Hemantkumar Kapoorchand Sharma ….Petitioner

VERSUS

Divisional Joint Registrar Cooperative
Societies And Another …..Respondents

Mr. V. P. Kadam, Advocate for the Petitioners
Mr. P. V. Diggikar, AGP for the Respondent -State
Mr. A. S. Usmanpurkar, Advocate for Respondent No. 2

CORAM : MANJUSHA DESHPANDE, J.
DATE : 02nd NOVEMBER, 2026

PER COURT :

1. Both the parties make a joint request to this Court that present writ Petition can be disposed of by directing the Divisional Joint Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar to decide the pending Appeal before him on its own merits and status-quo order granted by this Court in terms of prayer clause-C shall continue to operate till the decision in the proceedings before the learned Divisional Joint Registrar.

2. The Petitioner has challenged the order dated 02-07-2026 passed by Respondent no.1 before this Court who had declined to continue the interim relief pending the Appeal.

3. In view of the submissions made by the learned Advocate for the Petitioner, this Court vide order dated 16-07-2026 while issuing notice has granted interim relief in terms of prayer clause-C. It is submitted that the order under challenge before this Court is regarding refusal of stay by the Divisional Joint Registrar during the pendency of the proceeding. It is submitted that though initially the interim relief was operating in favour of the Petitioner, however, while deciding the interim Application, the said order of status-quo was not continued by the Divisional Joint Registrar. This order dated 02-07-2026 passed by the Divisional Joint Registrar under Section 18(4) of the Maharashtra Money Lending Regulation Act, is the subject matter of challenge before this Court. Learned Advocate for the Petitioner submits that that the proceeding before the learned Divisional Joint Registrar can be continued and interim order passed by this Court can be continued during in the pending proceeding before the Divisional Joint Registrar and the writ Petition can be disposed of.

4. Hence, I do not see impediment in passing the following order.

5. In view of the above facts and circumstances, the writ Petition is disposed of. The interim order passed by this Court on 16-07-2026 shall continue to operate in the pending the proceeding before

the Divisional Joint Registrar till its final disposal. The Divisional Joint Registrar is requested to decide the proceeding as early as possible preferably within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

6. It is made clear that this Court has not passed any order on merits of the matter. All the points and contention of the respective parties are kept open to be agitated.

[MANJUSHA DESHPANDE, J. ]

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