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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 02-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI

WP(MD) No. 31133 of 2026

CNR:{HCMD011517262026}

B.Vijayaraghavan,
S/o.Balasubramanian,
No.10, 11th Street,
Municipal Colony,
Medical College Road,
Thanjavur District.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Regional Director,
   The Reserve Bank of India (RBI),
   Fort Glacis, Chennai - 600 001.

2. The Branch Manager
   Indian Overseas Bank,
   Neelagiri Branch,
   Thanjavur. ..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ Petition, filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this court to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd respondent to close the savings account of deceased Raghul in Account No. 021201000039974 and other related cheques and ATM Cards with within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner(s) :M/s M.Vijayanand

For Respondent(s) :Mr.K.R.Laxman – for R1
Standing Counsel

Mr.Y.Jegadeesh – for R2
Standing Counsel

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ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed seeking to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd respondent to close the savings account of deceased Raghul in Account No. 021201000039974 and other related cheques and ATM Cards with within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

2. The Learned Counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner's application for closing the bank account of the deceased Raghul in Account No. 021201000039974 and other related cheques and ATM Cards, is not considered. The petitioner claiming to be one of the legal heirs of the deceased person, this Writ Petition is filed.

3. The Learned Counsel appearing for the second respondent, submitted that the petitioner is not the sole legal heir of the deceased Raghul and other legal heirs are also surviving. He further submitted that the account sought to be closed by the petitioner is a zero-balance account.

4. However, considering the fact that it is a zero-balance account, there will not be any impediment for the second respondent Bank to close the same. Hence, the second respondent Bank is directed to close the

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account of the deceased Raghul in Account No. 021201000039974 and other related cheques and ATM Cards within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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