2026:UHC:2900

HIGH COURT OF UTTARAKHAND AT NAINITAL

Writ Petition Misc. Single No. 1008 of 2026

21 April, 2026

The Nainital Bank Limited

--Petitioner

Versus

District Magistrate Udham Singh Nagar & others

--Respondents

Presence:-
Ms. Abhilasha Tomar, learned counsel for the petitioner.
Mr. Yogesh Pandey, learned Deputy Advocate General for the State.

Hon'ble Pankaj Purohit, J.

Petitioner, being a secured creditor, wants to initiate proceedings against the borrower for recovery of the loan amount and the interest thereon under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002.

2. An application under Section 14 of the SARFAESI Act was filed by the petitioner before the District Magistrate, Udham Singh Nagar, on 11.06.2025.

3. It is contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that, as per the second proviso to Section 14 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, the time period for deciding an application under Section 14 is 30 days, which may be extended to an aggregate of 60 days as per the third proviso to Section 14 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002. However, more time has elapsed, and the application is still pending for consideration.

4. The prayer of the petitioner is innocuous.

5. Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the District Magistrate, Udham Singh Nagar, to decide the petitioner's application dated 11.06.2025 as expeditiously as possible, but not later than four weeks from the date of production of a certified copy of this order.

6. Pending application, if any, stands disposed of accordingly.

(**Pankaj Purohit, J**.)
21.04.2026

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