



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH**

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**Regular Second Appeal No.2693 of 2000 (O & M)**

**Date of decision :-05.08.2025**

**Punjab National Bank**

**.....Appellant**

**Versus**

**Indraj and another**

**.....Respondents**

**CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE NIDHI GUPTA**

Present:- None.

**NIDHI GUPTA J. (Oral)**

The appellant-plaintiff has filed the present regular second appeal against the judgment and decree dated 12.2.2000 passed by the District Judge, Sirsa whereby the appeal has been decided as follows :-

*“....in this view of the matter, the appeal preferred by the defendant Indraj is partly allowed and impugned judgement and decree dated 26.3.1998 passed by the learned trial judge are modified to the extent that the plaintiff bank shall be entitled to future interest i.e. from the date of decree till realisation at the rate of 6 per cent per annum. However, the finding of the learned trial court regarding the rate of interest pendente-lite are affirmed. The appeal preferred by the plaintiff bank being without merit is, however, dismissed. Parties are left to bear their own costs in both the appeals. Decree sheets be drawn and records be consigned.”*

On the last date of hearing i.e. 18.7.2024, the co-ordinate Bench of this Court has passed the following order :-



*“As per office report, notices issued to the respondents have not been received back served or otherwise.*

*Let fresh notices be issued again to the respondents as well as their respective counsel for 04.12.2024.*

*Notices be also sent to concerned District Judge asking to ensure the service of the parties.”*

The office report has been received to the effect that appellant No.1 has been retired from service, however, served through whatsapp and learned counsel Mr. P.K. Dutt, Advocate has been duly served; respondent No.1 is reported to have expired; and respondent No.2 accepted the notice but refused to append signatures. It is further reported that Mr. Navin Mahajan, Advocate for the respondent has expired.

In the aforesaid premise, issuance of fresh notice to the parties would be a futile exercise. It appears that due to sheer long pendency of the present appeal before this Court for a period of more than 24 years, the parties have lost interest in pursuing the same, as no attempt has been made by them to contact their counsel or to engage a new counsel.

Be that as it may, in view of the foregoing circumstances, the instant appeal is **disposed of**, with liberty to the parties, to move an appropriate application within a period of 02 months from today for reviving the same, if so, advised.

Copy of this order be sent to the parties.

Pending application(s), if any, shall stands disposed of.

August 05, 2025  
Vijay Asija

( NIDHI GUPTA )  
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned Yes / No  
Whether Reportable Yes / No