IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE EASWARAN S. TUESDAY, THE 30^{TH} DAY OF APRIL 2024 / 10TH VAISAKHA, 1946 WA NO. 624 OF 2024

AGAINST THE JUDGMENT DATED 25.03.2024 IN WP(C) NO.10955 OF 2024

OF HIGH COURT OF KERALA

APPELLANTS:

- 1 ALOYSIUS VARGHESE AGED 53 YEARS S/O. VARGHESE, THOTTAPATT HOUSE, KODIKULAM PO, IDUKKI, PIN - 685582
- ALPHONSA GEORGE
 AGED 57 YEARS
 D/O.VARGHESE, KARIKULATH PUTHENPURA HOUSE,
 EZHALLOOR PO, IDUKKI, PIN 685605
 BY ADVS.
 AMJATHA D.A.
 FARHANA K.H.

RESPONDENTS:

- 1 THE KERALA STATE CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD,
 REPRESENTED BY THE AUTHORIZED OFFICER
 CREDIT PROCESSING CENTRE P B NO. 2, IDUKKI COLONY PO,
 IDUKKI, PIN 685602
- 2 AUTHORIZED OFFICER
 THE KERALA STATE CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD CREDIT
 PROCESSING CENTRE P B NO.2, IDUKKI COLONY PO, IDUKKI,
 PIN 685602
- THE BRANCH MANAGER

 KERALA STATE CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD, WEST KODIKULAM

 BRANCH IDUKKI, PIN 685582

 SC GILBERET GEORGE CORREYA

THIS WRIT APPEAL HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 30.04.2024, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

JUDGMENT

DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN, J.

It is gratifying that the learned Standing Counsel for the respondent - Bank is amenable to some concessions in favour of the appellants, even though, he maintains that no such is liable to be granted in law.

- 2. The facts of this case are not in dispute.
- 3. The appellants have defaulted payment of a loan availed of from the respondent Bank; and they also concede that they have not been able to comply with the time frame for payment, as fixed in the impugned judgment.
- 4. We have gone through the judgment and we find no reason to interfere legally; but since the appellants say that they are going through extreme financial crisis, we asked the learned Standing Counsel for the respondent Bank Sri.Gilbert George Correya, whether any further benefits can be offered.
- 5. As said above, Sri.Gilbert George Correya fairly submitted that if the appellants pay Rs.5.5 Lakhs which is the balance of the first instalment as ordered by the learned Single Judge on or before 30.05.2024, the rest of the overdue amount can be allowed to pay in not more than 15 equal monthly instalments.

6. The learned counsel for the appellants - Smt.Amjatha D.A., acceded to the afore suggestion.

In the afore circumstances, without in any manner meaning that the judgment of the learned Single Judge is in error, we allow this Appeal, as an indulgence to the appellants, with the following directions.

The payment schedule in the judgment impugned would stand modified in the following manner:

- (a) The appellants shall pay an amount of Rs.5.5 Lakhs on or before 30.05.2024.
- (b) If the afore is done, the appellants will be allowed to pay the balance of the overdue amount in the loan account in 15 equal monthly instalments, commencing from 30.06.2024.

In all other respects, the judgment impugned will remain unaltered.

Sd/-

DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN JUDGE

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EASWARAN S. JUDGE

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