

**BEFORE THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT INDUSTRIAL
TRIBUNAL-2, MUMBAI**

APPEAL NO. CGIT- 2 / EPFA 76 /2024

M/s. Universal Axis Lifting Solutions Pvt. Ltd. - Appellant

V/s.

The Assistant Provident Fund Commissioner,

EPFO, Pune.

- Respondent

ORDER

(Delivered on 28-10-2024)

Read application filed by the applicant. Perused the say given on behalf of the applicant.

It reveals that, the applicant has challenged the legality of order dated 31.05.2024 passed u/s. 14-B & 7-Q of the EPF & MP Act 1952, in which the Bank account of the applicant has been FREEZED on the basis of prohibitory order dated 09.07.2024 and the applicant is seeking the DE-FREEZING of the Bank account.

True, it is that the appeal has been filed after 60 days i.e., prescribed period of limitation and the application for delay is pending for decision however considering the fact of FREEZING of the Bank accounts of the applicant however without considering the legality or illegality of the prohibitory order however considering the facts of FREEZING of Accounts of the applicant, I am inclined to direct the opponent to keep the prohibitory order dated 09.07.2024 in abeyance and DE-FREEZE the Bank account of the applicant only

on the condition of deducting the amount of interest of Rs. 3,23,866/- assessed in the order from the Bank account of the applicant and keep that amount with them and direct the Bank to DE-FREEZE the Bank account of the applicant.

In the result, the application is allowed. The applicant is directed to issue letter to the Bank Authority to DE-FREEZE the Bank account of the applicant by deducting Rs. 3,23,866/- assessed in the order under appeal keep that amount with them and DE-FREEZE the Bank account of the applicant as early as possible.

Sd/-

Date: 28-10-2024

(Shrikant K. Deshpande)
Presiding Officer
CGIT -2, Mumbai