COURT No.3 ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL PRINCIPAL BENCH: NEW DELHI

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OA 2037/2019 with MA 1500/2020

Maj Nirmal Kumar Panda Applicant

VERSUS

Union of India and Ors. Respondents

For Applicant : None

For Respondents : Gp Capt Karan Singh Bhati, Sr CGSC

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HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE ANU MALHOTRA, MEMBER (J) HON'BLE LT GEN P.M. HARIZ, MEMBER (A)

ORDER 03.02.2023

MA 1500/2020

This is an application filed under Section 22(2) of the Armed Forces Tribunal Act, 2007 seeking condonation of delay of 196 days in filing the present OA. In view of the judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter of UoI & Ors Vs. Tarsem Singh 2009(1)AISLJ 371 and in Ex Sep Chain Singh Vs. Union of India & Ors (Civil Appeal No. 30073/2017) and the reasons mentioned, the MA 1500/2020 is allowed and the delay of 196 days in filing the OA 2037/2019 is thus condoned. The MA is disposed of accordingly.

OA 2037/2019

Counter affidavit filed on behalf of the respondents is taken on record. Rejoinder if any, be filed on behalf of the applicant within four weeks thereafter.

The matter be re-notified for final hearing on 12.07.2023.

(JUSTICE ANU MALHOTRA) MEMBER (J)

> (LT GEN P.M. HARIZ) MEMBER (A)

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