



**Form No. 4**  
**{See rule 11(1)}**  
**ORDER SHEET**  
**ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL, REGIONAL BENCH, LUCKNOW**  
**Court No.1 (E. Court)**

**O.A. No. 153 of 2020 with M.A. No. 149 of 2020**

<b>Ex. Nk. Gurpreet Singh</b> By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant	Applicant
<b>Versus</b>	
<b>Union of India &amp; Others</b> By Legal Practitioner for Respondents	Respondents

<b>Notes of the Registry</b>	<b>Orders of the Tribunal</b>		
	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: justify;">Ms. Anju Singh, Advocate filed Power today in the Court on behalf of the respondents and the same is taken on record.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">Heard Shri Ashok Singh, Ld. Counsel for the applicant and Ms. Anju Singh, Ld. Counsel for the respondents.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Admit.</b></p> <p style="text-align: justify;">Ld. Counsel for the respondents prays for and is granted four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within two weeks thereafter.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">List this case on <b>04.01.2021</b> before the Registrar Court for exchange of pleadings.</p> <table style="width: 100%; margin-top: 20px;"><tr><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)</td><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)</td></tr></table> <p style="margin-top: 20px;">AKD/SB/-</p>	<b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)	<b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)
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**O.A. No. 154 of 2020 with M.A. No. 150 of 2020**

<b>Ex. Nk. Sandeep Singh</b> By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant	Applicant
<b>Versus</b>	
<b>Union of India &amp; Others</b> By Legal Practitioner for Respondents	Respondents

<b>Notes of the Registry</b>	<b>Orders of the Tribunal</b>		
	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: justify;">Shri Rajesh Shukla, Advocate filed Power today in the Court on behalf of the respondents and the same is taken on record.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">Heard Shri Ashok Singh, Ld. Counsel for the applicant and Shri Rajesh Shukla, Ld. Counsel for the respondents.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Admit.</b></p> <p style="text-align: justify;">Ld. Counsel for the respondents prays for and is granted four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within two weeks thereafter.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">List this case on <b>04.01.2021</b> before the Registrar Court for exchange of pleadings.</p> <table style="width: 100%; margin-top: 20px;"><tr><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)</td><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)</td></tr></table> <p style="margin-top: 20px;">AKD/SB/-</p>	<b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)	<b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)
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**O.A. No. 125 of 2020 with M.A. No. 146 of 2020**

<b>Ex. Sep. Amit Kumar Through his wife Smt. Pinki Devi</b> By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant	Applicant
<b>Versus</b>	
<b>Union of India &amp; Others</b> By Legal Practitioner for Respondents	Respondents

<b>Notes of the Registry</b>	<b>Orders of the Tribunal</b>		
	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>M.A. No. 146 of 2020</u></b></p> <p style="text-indent: 40px;">Heard Shri Bachchan Singh, Ld. Counsel for the applicant and Shri Arun Kumar Sahu, Ld. Counsel for the respondents on amendment application.</p> <p style="text-indent: 40px;">The reasons given in the affidavit filed in support of amendment application are sufficient. The amendments do not change the nature of case.</p> <p style="text-indent: 40px;">Accordingly, amendment application is allowed.</p> <p style="text-indent: 40px;">Ld. Counsel for the applicant is directed to incorporate the amendment by today itself.</p> <p><b><u>O.A. No. 125 of 2020</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Admit.</b></p> <p style="text-indent: 40px;">Ld. Counsel for the respondents prays for and is granted four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within two weeks thereafter.</p> <p style="text-indent: 40px;">List this case on <b>05.01.2021</b> before the Registrar Court for exchange of pleadings.</p> <table style="width: 100%; margin-top: 20px;"><tr><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)</td><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)</td></tr></table> <p style="margin-top: 10px;">AKD/SB/-</p>	<b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)	<b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)
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M.A. No. 178 of 2020 Inre : O.A. No. (Nil) of 2020

Ex. Sub./Clk. (GD) Om Prakash  
By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant

Applicant

Versus

Union of India & Others  
By Legal Practitioner for Respondents

Respondents

Notes of the Registry	Orders of the Tribunal
	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p>Shri Shyam Singh, Advocate filed power today in the Court on behalf of the respondents is taken on record.</p> <p>Heard Col. A.K. Srivastava (Retd.), Ld. Counsel for the applicant and Shri Shyam Singh, Ld. Counsel for the respondents on delay condonation application.</p> <p>The Original Application has been filed with delay of 17 years, 04 months and 01 day.</p> <p>Submission of learned counsel for the applicant is that it is a pensionary matter in which bar of limitation is not applicable. His further submission is that delay caused in filing of Original Application is not deliberate, but on account of reasons stated in affidavit filed in support of application.</p> <p>Per contra, learned counsel for the respondents submits that explanation of delay offered by the applicant is not sufficient as he has failed to offer day to day explanation of delay, application deserves rejection.</p> <p>Considering that in pensionary matters bar of limitation is not applicable, as cause of action in such matters does not accrue on a specific date, but it runs from month to month, and grounds stated in affidavit filed in support of delay condonation application being genuine and sufficient, delay is liable to be condoned.</p> <p>Accordingly, delay caused in filing of application is condoned. Delay condonation application stands decided accordingly.</p> <p>Let Original Application be registered.</p> <p><b><u>O.A. No. 374 of 2020</u></b></p> <p>It is a fit case for adjudication.</p> <p>Admit.</p> <p>Ld. Counsel for the respondents seeks and is allowed four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within two weeks thereafter.</p> <p>List this case on <b>05.01.2021</b> before the Registrar Court for exchange of pleadings.</p> <p><b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b>      <b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> <b>Member (A)</b>      <b>Member (J)</b></p> <p>AKD/SB/-</p>

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**M.A. No. 208 of 2020 Inre : O.A. No. (Nil) of 2020**

**Smt. Shanti Singh D/o Late Ex. Sep. Ram Naresh Singh** Applicant  
By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant

**Versus**

**Union of India & Others** Respondents  
By Legal Practitioner for Respondents

<b>Notes of the Registry</b>	<b>Orders of the Tribunal</b>
	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p>Heard Col. R.C. Dixit (Retd.), Ld. Counsel for the applicant and Shri Yogesh Kesarwani, Ld. Counsel for the respondents on delay condonation application.</p> <p>The Original Application has been filed with delay of 17 years, 10 months and 19 days.</p> <p>Submission of learned counsel for the applicant is that it is a pensionary matter in which bar of limitation is not applicable. His further submission is that delay caused in filing of Original Application is not deliberate, but on account of reasons stated in affidavit filed in support of application.</p> <p>Per contra, learned counsel for the respondents submits that explanation of delay offered by the applicant is not sufficient as he has failed to offer day to day explanation of delay, application deserves rejection.</p> <p>Considering that in pensionary matters bar of limitation is not applicable, as cause of action in such matters does not accrue on a specific date, but it runs from month to month, and grounds stated in affidavit filed in support of delay condonation application being genuine and sufficient, delay is liable to be condoned.</p> <p>Accordingly, delay caused in filing of application is condoned. Delay condonation application stands decided accordingly.</p> <p>Let Original Application be registered.</p> <p><b><u>O.A. No. 372 of 2020</u></b></p> <p>It is a fit case for adjudication.</p> <p>Admit.</p> <p>Ld. Counsel for the respondents seeks and is allowed four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within two weeks thereafter.</p> <p>List this case on <b>06.01.2021</b> before the Registrar Court for exchange of pleadings.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b>      <b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (A)      Member (J)</p> <p>AKD/SB/-</p>

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**O.A. No. 332 of 2020**

**Sub. Rakesh Kumar Singh**  
By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant

Applicant

**Versus**

**Union of India & Others**  
By Legal Practitioner for Respondents

Respondents

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	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p>Dr. Shailendra Sharma Atal, Advocate filed power today in the Court on behalf of the respondents is taken on record.</p> <p>Heard Shri Gyan Singh Chauhan and Shri Ajeet Pratap Singh, Ld. Counsel for the applicant and Dr. Shailendra Sharma Atal , Ld. Counsel for the respondents.</p> <p>This is a fit case for adjudication.</p> <p>Admit.</p> <p>Ld. Counsel for the respondents prays for and is granted four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within next two weeks.</p> <p>List on <b>06.01.2021</b> for orders.</p> <p><b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)</p> <p><b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)</p> <p>AKD/SB/-</p>

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**M.A. No. 177 of 2020 Inre : O.A. No. (Nil) of 2020**

**Ex. Sgt. Pramod Kumar Upadhyay**  
By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant

Applicant

**Versus**

**Union of India & Others**  
By Legal Practitioner for Respondents

Respondents

<b>Notes of the Registry</b>	<b>Orders of the Tribunal</b>
	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p>Shri Ashish Kumar Singh, Advocate filed power today in the Court on behalf of the respondents is taken on record.</p> <p>Heard Shri Manoj Kumar Awasthi, Ld. Counsel for the applicant and Shri Ashish Kumar Singh, Ld. Counsel for the respondents on delay condonation application.</p> <p>The Original Application has been filed with delay of 07 years, 02 months and 28 days.</p> <p>Submission of learned counsel for the applicant is that it is a pensionary matter in which bar of limitation is not applicable. His further submission is that delay caused in filing of Original Application is not deliberate, but on account of reasons stated in affidavit filed in support of application.</p> <p>Per contra, learned counsel for the respondents submits that explanation of delay offered by the applicant is not sufficient as he has failed to offer day to day explanation of delay, application deserves rejection.</p> <p>Considering that in pensionary matters bar of limitation is not applicable, as cause of action in such matters does not accrue on a specific date, but it runs from month to month, and grounds stated in affidavit filed in support of delay condonation application being genuine and sufficient, delay is liable to be condoned.</p> <p>Accordingly, delay caused in filing of application is condoned. Delay condonation application stands decided accordingly.</p> <p>Let Original Application be registered.</p> <p><b><u>O.A. No. 371 of 2020</u></b></p> <p>It is a fit case for adjudication.</p> <p>Admit.</p> <p>Ld. Counsel for the respondents seeks and is allowed four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within two weeks thereafter.</p> <p>List this case on <b>06.01.2021</b> before the Registrar Court for exchange of pleadings.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b>      <b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> <b>Member (A)</b>      <b>Member (J)</b></p> <p>AKD/SB/-</p>



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**O.A. No. 124 of 2020**

**Ex. Rect. Raghvendra Singh**  
By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant

Applicant

**Versus**

**Union of India & Others**  
By Legal Practitioner for Respondents

Respondents

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	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Heard Shri Nand Kishore, Ld. Counsel for the applicant and Dr. Shailendra Sharma Atal, Ld. Counsel for the respondents.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This is a fit case for adjudication.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Admit.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ld. Counsel for the respondents seeks and is allowed four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within two weeks thereafter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">List this case on <b>06.01.2021</b> before the Registrar Court for exchange of pleadings.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)</p> <p>AKD/SB/-</p>





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**O.A. 126 of 2020**

**Ex. Sgt. Anupam Shukla**  
By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant

Applicant

**Versus**

**Union of India & Others**  
By Legal Practitioner for Respondents

Respondents

<b>Notes of the Registry</b>	<b>Orders of the Tribunal</b>
	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Heard Shri Pankaj Kumar Shukla, Ld. Counsel for the applicant and Shri Shyam Singh, Ld. Counsel for the respondents.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">It is a fit case for adjudication.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Admit.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ld. Counsel for the respondents seeks and is allowed four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within two weeks thereafter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">List this case on <b>05.01.2021</b> before the Registrar Court for exchange of pleadings.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)</p> <p>AKD/SB/-</p>





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M.A. No. 206 of 2020 Inre : O.A. No. (Nil) of 2020

Ex. Hav. (Hony. Nb. Sub.) Ram Prasad Rai  
By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant

Applicant

Versus

Union of India & Others  
By Legal Practitioner for Respondents

Respondents

Notes of the Registry	Orders of the Tribunal
	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p>Heard Shri Parijaat Belaura, Ld. Counsel for the applicant and Shri Arun Kumar Sahu, Ld. Counsel for the respondents.</p> <p>The Original Application has been filed with delay of 10 years, 05 months and 11 day.</p> <p>Submission of learned counsel for the applicant is that it is a pensionary matter in which bar of limitation is not applicable. His further submission is that delay caused in filing of Original Application is not deliberate, but on account of reasons stated in affidavit filed in support of application.</p> <p>Per contra, learned counsel for the respondents submits that explanation of delay offered by the applicant is not sufficient as he has failed to offer day to day explanation of delay, application deserves rejection.</p> <p>Considering that in pensionary matters bar of limitation is not applicable, as cause of action in such matters does not accrue on a specific date, but it runs from month to month, and grounds stated in affidavit filed in support of delay condonation application being genuine and sufficient, delay is liable to be condoned.</p> <p>Accordingly, delay caused in filing of application is condoned. Delay condonation application stands decided accordingly.</p> <p>Let Original Application be registered.</p> <p><b><u>O.A. No. 367 of 2020</u></b></p> <p>It is a fit case for adjudication.</p> <p>Admit.</p> <p>Ld. Counsel for the respondents seeks and is allowed four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within two weeks thereafter.</p> <p>List this case on <b>06.01.2021</b> before the Registrar Court for exchange of pleadings.</p> <p><b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)</p> <p><b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)</p> <p>AKD/SB/-</p>

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M.A. No. 45 of 2020 Inre : O.A. No. (Nil) of 2020

Ex. MWO (Hony. Flt. Lt.) Sarvesh Kumar  
By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant

Applicant

Versus

Union of India & Others  
By Legal Practitioner for Respondents

Respondents

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	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p>Heard Shri R. Chandra, Ld. Counsel for the applicant and Ms. Amrita Chakraborty, Ld. Counsel for the respondents.</p> <p>This is an application filed under Section 14 of the Armed Forces Tribunal Act, 2007 with delay of 05 years and 19 days.</p> <p>Submission of Ld. Counsel for the applicant is that the applicant was discharged from service on 30.06.2014. Further submission of Ld. Counsel for the applicant is that applicant filed an Appeal before the respondents on 24.09.2019 for re-fixation of his pension in view of 6<sup>th</sup> Central Pay Commission report and Judgment rendered by the Hon'ble Madras High Court in Writ Petition No. 15732 of 2017 P. Ayyamperumal Versus Union of India. Further submission of the Ld. Counsel for the applicant is that however his Appeal was dismissed on 04.11.2019 without any plausible reason. His Further submission is that the matter being related with pension, bar of limitation is not applicable to it.</p> <p>Ld. Counsel for the respondents has vehemently opposed the prayer saying that applicant has failed to given plausible explanation of delay caused in filing Original Application, delay should not be condoned.</p> <p>Upon hearing the Ld. Counsel of both sides and considering the facts and circumstances of the case, we find that delay in filing the Original Application is not deliberate, but on account of reasons stated in affidavit filed in support of application for condonation of delay, which are sufficient.</p> <p>Accordingly, delay caused in filing of application is condoned. Delay condonation application stands decided accordingly.</p> <p>Let Original Application be registered.</p> <p><b><u>O.A. No. 366 of 2020</u></b></p> <p>It is a fit case for adjudication.</p> <p>Admit.</p> <p>Ld. Counsel for the respondents seeks and is allowed four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within two weeks thereafter.</p> <p>List this case on <b>05.01.2021</b> before the Registrar Court for exchange of pleadings.</p> <p>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve) (Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava) Member (A) Member (J)</p> <p>AKD/SB/-</p>



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**O.A. (A) No. 118 of 2020 with M.A. No. 231 of 2020**

<b>Ex. LAC P.P. Naidu</b> By Legal Practitioner for the Appellant	Appellant
<b>Versus</b>	
<b>Union of India &amp; Others</b> By Legal Practitioner for Respondents	Respondents

<b>Notes of the Registry</b>	<b>Orders of the Tribunal</b>		
	<p><b><u>19.10.2020</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Mr. Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava, Member (J)</u></b> <b><u>Hon'ble Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Member (A)</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: justify;">Heard Ms. Nisha Pandey, Ld. Counsel for the appellant and Shri Yogesh Kesarwani, Ld. Counsel for the respondents on amendment application.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">The reasons given in the affidavit filed in support of amendment application are sufficient. The amendments do not change the nature of case.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">Accordingly, amendment application is allowed.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">Ld. Counsel for the applicant is directed to incorporate the amendment within a week.</p> <p><b><u>O.A. (A) No. 118 of 2020</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Admit.</b></p> <p style="text-align: justify;">Ld. Counsel for the respondents prays for and is granted four weeks time to file Counter Affidavit. Rejoinder Affidavit, if any, may be filed within two weeks thereafter.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">List this case on <b>07.01.2021</b> before the Registrar Court for exchange of pleadings.</p> <table style="width: 100%; margin-top: 20px;"><tr><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)</td><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)</td></tr></table> <p style="margin-top: 10px;">AKD/SB/-</p>	<b>(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)</b> Member (A)	<b>(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)</b> Member (J)
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**M.A. No. 692 of 2019 Inre : O.A. No. (Nil) of 2019**

**Ex. Sgt. Dinesh Kumar Singh Bisht**  
By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant

Applicant

**Versus**

**Union of India & Others**  
By Legal Practitioner for Respondents

Respondents

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**Form No. 4**  
**{See rule 11(1)}**  
**ORDER SHEET**  
**ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL, REGIONAL BENCH, LUCKNOW**  
**Court No.1 (E. Court)**

**O.A. No. 61 of 2019**

**Ex Sep Ashok Kumar**  
By Legal Practitioner for the Applicant

Applicant

**Versus**

**Union of India & Others**  
By Legal Practitioner for Respondents

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No. 328 of 2016, Colonel Dharam Raj Singh (Retd), decided by Armed Forces Tribunal, Regional Bench, Lucknow on 07.09.2016 and Hon'ble Apex Court judgment in the case of *Union of India and Ors vs Ram Avtar & ors* (Civil appeal No. 418 of 2012 decided on 10th December 2014), the applicant is also entitled to benefit of rounding off of disability element @ 50% for life.

On the other hand, though Ld. Counsel for the respondents conceded receipt of 20% disability pension by the applicant but contended that the applicant is not entitled to the benefit of rounding off of disability pension on the ground that the applicant's services were not cut short as he was not invalided out on account of his disability. In the instant case the applicant was discharged from service on completion of his terms of engagement, therefore, the Ld. Counsel claimed that he is not eligible for the benefit of rounding off.

We have heard Ld. Counsel for the parties and perused the material placed on record. The only question which needs to be answered is that whether the applicant is entitled for the benefit of rounding off of his disability pension?

The law on the point of rounding off of disability pension is no more RES INTEGRA in view of Hon'ble Supreme Court judgment in the case of *Union of India and Ors vs Ram Avtar & ors* (Civil appeal No 418 of 2012 decided on 10th December 2014) wherein the Hon'ble Apex Court has nodded in disapproval of the policy of the Government of India in granting the benefit of rounding off of disability pension only to the personnel who have been invalided out of service and denying the same to the personnel who have retired on attaining the age of superannuation or on completion of their tenure of engagement. The relevant portion of the decision is excerpted below:-

*“4. By the present set of appeals, the appellant (s) raise the question, whether or not, an individual, who has retired on attaining the age of superannuation or on completion of his tenure of engagement, if found to be suffering from some disability which is attributable to or aggravated by the military service, is entitled to be granted the benefit of rounding off of disability pension. The appellant(s) herein would contend that, on the basis of Circular No 1(2)/97/D (Pen-C) issued by the Ministry of Defence, Government of India, dated 31.01.2001, the aforesaid benefit is made available only to an Armed Forces Personnel who is invalidated out of service, and not to any other category of Armed Forces Personnel mentioned hereinabove.*

*5. We have heard Learned Counsel for the parties to the lis.*

*6. We do not see any error in the impugned judgment (s) and order(s) and therefore, all the appeals which pertain to the concept of rounding off of the disability pension are dismissed, with no order as to costs.*

*7. The dismissal of these matters will be taken note of by the High Courts as well as by the Tribunals in granting appropriate relief to the pensioners before them, if any, who are getting or are entitled to the disability pension.*

*8. This Court grants six weeks' time from today to the appellant(s) to comply with the orders and directions*

*passed by us.”*

In the instant case, there is no dispute that the applicant is in receipt of 20% disability element for life. This fact has also been accepted by the respondents and is also clearly indicated by the P.P.O. attached with the Counter Affidavit (Annexure VII). Thus in view of the settled law on this matter we are of the considered opinion that the applicant is entitled the benefit of rounding off.

It may be observed that claim for pension is based on continuing wrong and relief can be granted if such continuing wrong creates a continuing source of injury. In the case of ***Shiv Dass vs. Union of India***, reported in 2007 (3) SLR 445, para-9, Hon'ble Apex Court has observed:

“In the case of pension the cause of action actually continues from month to month. That, however, cannot be a ground to overlook delay in filing the petition. It would depend upon the fact of each case. If petition is filed beyond a reasonable period say three years normally the Court would reject the same or restrict the relief which could be granted to a reasonable period of about three years. The High Court did not examine whether on merit appellant had a case. If on merits it would have found that there was no scope for interference, it would have dismissed the writ petition on that score alone.”

As observed in the preceding paragraphs, delay in filing the O.A. has been condoned by this Tribunal vide order dated 23.01.2019, as such, in view of the decision of Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of Shiv Dass (supra), we are of the considered view that benefit of rounding off of disability pension @ 20% for life to be rounded off to 50% for life may be made applicable to the applicant from three preceding years from the date of filing of the O.A.

In view of the above, the Original Application No. 61 of 2019 deserves to be allowed, hence allowed. The impugned order 04.09.2017, enclosed at page 15 of the Original Application, is set aside. The applicant is entitled to the benefit of rounding off of disability element from 20% for life to 50% for life with effect from three years prior to the date of filing of this Original Application. The date of filing of this Original Application is 26.02.2018. The respondents are directed to give effect to this order within a period of four months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order. Default will invite interest @ 9% per annum till actual payment.

No order as to costs.

**(Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve)**  
**Member (A)**

**(Justice Umesh Chandra Srivastava)**  
**Member (J)**



