COURT NO. 1, ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI

105.

OA 3068/2022

In the matter of :

Cpl Nakhat Singh

... Applicant

Versus

Union of India & Ors.

... Respondents

For Applicant : Shri Rakesh Kumar Singh, Advocate

For Respondents : Shri R.S. Chhillar, Advocate

<u>CORAM</u> :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON, CHAIRPERSON HON'BLE LT GEN C.P. MOHANTY, MEMBER (A)

<u>O R D E R</u> 18.01.2023

We find that after a Coordinate Bench of this Tribunal decided O.A. No. 2670/2021 [Cpl Ayush Maurya Vs. Union of India & Ors.] with O.A. No. 2716 of 2021 [Sqt Kuldeep Kumar <u>Vibhuti Vs. Union of India & Ors.</u>], a large number of petitions are being filed on the ground that the applicant applied online but as the applicant was not possessing the Skill 'A' category, the online system was not accepting the application and therefore praying for condonation of seeking prior approval, petitions are being filed. However, in the pleadings, no specific date as to when the online application was submitted and action, if any, taken for representing the matter is not indicated. In this particular case, we find that the

advertisement was issued on 02.11.2020 and the last date for submission of the application was a month thereafter. If the online application was not accepted in December 2020 or January 2021, the applicant should specify on which date, he tried to submit online application and what action was taken by him to seek permission once the online application was not accepted. Let an affidavit clarifying the above positions be filed within four weeks from today and thereafter we will consider the prayer of the applicant.

List the matter on 2nd March, 2023.

[JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON] CHAIRPERSON

[LT GEN C.P. MOHANTY] MEMBER (A)

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