

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

110.

OA 1653/2024

Lt Col Sumeet Bhardwaj Applicant
Versus
Union of India & Ors. Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. Udghosh Thakran, Advocate
For Respondents : Mr. Kaustubh Bhattacharjee for Mr.
Siddhant Kohli, Advocate

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**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON, CHAIRPERSON
HON'BLE REAR ADMIRAL DHIREN VIG, MEMBER (A)**

**ORDER
28.02.2025**

Considering the fact that the punishment imposed on the applicant after summary trial does not fall within the ambit of service matter, as defined in Section 3(o) of the Armed Forces Tribunal Act, 2007 and the case falls under the exclusive category as mentioned under sub clause (iv), learned counsel for the applicant prays for permission to withdraw the OA with liberty to prosecute the matter by filing an appropriate writ petition before the High Court or other remedy available in the matter. He is permitted to do so.

2. The OA is dismissed as withdrawn with liberty as prayed for.

3. Let a copy of this order be served **DASTI** to learned counsel for the parties.

**[JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON]
CHAIRPERSON**

**[REAR ADMIRAL DHIREN VIG]
MEMBER (A)**

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