

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

95.

OA 2033/2024

Wg Cdr George Joseph ..... Applicant  
Versus  
Union of India & Ors. .... Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. Ajit Kakkar, Advocate  
For Respondents : Mr. Anil Gautam Sr CGSC

WITH

101.

OA 1356/2023

Wg Cdr Piyush Kumar ..... Applicant  
Versus  
Union of India & Ors. .... Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. Ajit Kakkar, Advocate  
For Respondents : Gp Capt Karan Singh Bhati Sr CGSC

WITH

102.

OA 3510/2023

Wg Cdr Sahil Bajaj ..... Applicant  
Versus  
Union of India & Ors. .... Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. Ajit Kakkar, Advocate  
For Respondents : Mr. Neeraj Sr CGSC

WITH

103.

OA 2684/2023

Wg Cdr Harsh Vardhan Pandey ..... Applicant  
Versus  
Union of India & Ors. .... Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. Ajit Kakkar, Advocate  
For Respondents : Mr. Neeraj Sr CGSC

WITH

104.

OA 2509/2023 with MA 3578/2024

Sqn LDR Bristow Thankachan ..... Applicant  
Versus  
Union of India & Ors. .... Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. Ajit Kakkar for  
Mr. Virender Singh Kadian, Advocate  
For Respondents : Gp Capt Karan Singh Bhati Sr CGSC

WITH

106.

OA 3034/2023

Sqn Ldr Tushar Bisht ..... Applicant  
Versus  
Union of India & Ors. .... Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. Ajit Kakkar, Advocate  
For Respondents : Mr. Neeraj Sr CGSC

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

ORDER  
30.08.2024

All these applications have been filed by the applicants invoking the jurisdiction of this Tribunal u/s 14 of the AFT Act, seeking pre-mature discharge from service of the Indian Air Force in accordance to the policy laid down for pre-mature separation from service (PMS)/resignation of officers in accordance to the policy placed on record with the written submissions today.

2. After making submissions for the same, at the time of concluding his submissions, Sh. Ajit Kakkar made an innocuous prayer to say that, if the applicants' cases are considered for pre-mature separation from service/resignation in accordance to the

policy and the grounds raised by them in the Board or the authority concerned that is to be held in September, 2024, the applicants for the present would await the decision of such consideration and thereafter proceed with the matter on merit.

3. Faced with the aforesaid situation, Gp Capt K.S. Bhati, learned Sr CGSC on instructions informs us that the respondents will have no objection in considering the case of the applicants before the board that is to be held in September, 2024 for premature separation/resignation from service in accordance to the policy laid down and the administrative consideration.

4. We direct to take a decision and come up with the decision to this Tribunal sometimes in the month of October, 2024 after the decision is taken. However, as far as the applicant Wg Cdr George Joseph in OA 2033/2024 is concerned, it is stated that his case may be considered after he comes within the criteria laid down in September, 2024 else as per the criteria in December, 2024.

4. Taking note of the submissions made before us, without expressing any opinion or making comments on the submissions made by Sh. Ajit Kakkar, learned counsel for the applicant at the time of hearing with reference to his written submissions, we direct the respondents to consider the case of the applicants for premature separation/resignation from service in the Board or the authority concerned of September, 2024 and in the case of

applicant in OA 2033/2024, Wg Cdr George Joseph in December, 2024.

5. Take a decision and submit a report to this Tribunal with regard to the consideration made and the outcome of the same in the week commencing 14.10.2024.
6. List the matter on 16.10.2024 for further hearing.

**[JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON]  
CHAIRPERSON**

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

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