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

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## OA 1083/2015

Ex Sub/Clk Ramesh Chandra ..... Applicant

Versus

Union of India & Ors. .... Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. V S Kadian, Advocate For Respondents : Mr. Neeraj, Sr. CGSC

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

## ORDER 21.05.2025

Invoking the jurisdiction of this Tribunal under Section 14 of the Armed Forces Tribunal Act, 2007, the applicant has filed this application claiming payment of interest @12% on the final settlement amount made after his retirement, as detailed in Annexure A2.

- 2. According to the applicant, he is entitled to interest on the delayed payments which have not been fully paid to him. He claims that the total amount of interest due comes to Rs.1,39,565/~, with the details provided in Annexure A2.
- 3. Upon notice being issued, the respondents have filed a detailed counter affidavit. They have enclosed a chart (Annexure- AR4 at page No.42) indicating that all retiral dues of the applicant have been paid. The chart reflects the

due dates and the actual dates of payment. As per this statement, interest @7%, amounting to Rs. 70,195/~, has already been paid to the applicant.

- 4. It is the case of the respondents that interest has been paid as per departmental norms at the approved @7%, and therefore, no further amount is payable.
- 5. Having considered the rival contentions, we are of the considered view that the respondents have made the payments to the applicant in accordance with their calculations. The benefits and interest have been computed and disbursed as shown in the supporting documents which were filed on 25.07.2016 along with counter affidavit, and till date, there has been no rebuttal from the applicant in the form of a rejoinder.
- 6. In view of the above, we are of the opinion that no further indulgence is called for at this stage. Accordingly, the application stands disposed of, in light of the facts on record.
- 7. However, liberty is granted to the applicant to approach the Competent Authority afresh, in case he feels that there has been any error in the calculation of his benefits or the interest thereon. If any grievance still persists thereafter, he shall be at liberty to seek appropriate remedy in accordance with law.

- 8. With the above observations and liberty, the OA stands disposed of.
- 9. Pending miscellaneous application, if any, stands disposed of.

[JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON] CHAIRPERSON

[REAR ADMIRAL DHIREN VIG] MEMBER (A)

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