COURT No.3 ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL PRINCIPAL BENCH: NEW DELHI

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OA 360/2020 with MA 2454/2021 & 451/2020

Sub (AIG) Puranmal Saini Applicant

VERSUS

Union of India and Ors. Respondents

For Applicant : None

For Respondents : Mr. K.K. Tyagi, Advocate

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HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE ANU MALHOTRA, MEMBER (J) HON'BLE LT GEN P.M. HARIZ, MEMBER (A)

ORDER 01.02.2023

MA 451/2020

This is an application filed under section 22(2) of the Armed Forces Tribunal Act, 2007 seeking condonation of delay of 15 days in filing the present OA. In view of the judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter of **UoI & Ors** Vs **Tarsem Singh 2009(1)AISLJ 371** and in **Ex Sep Chain Singh Vs Union of India & Ors (Civil Appeal No. 30073/2017** and the reasons mentioned, the MA 451/2020 is allowed despite opposition on behalf of the respondents and the delay of 15 days in filing the OA 360/2020 is thus condoned. The MA is disposed of accordingly.

MA 2454/2021

This is an application filed on behalf of the respondents for condonation of delay of 340 days in filing the counter affidavit. In view of the reasons explained and in the interest of justice, the delay in filing the counter affidavit is condoned. The MA is disposed of accordingly.

OA 360/2020

The counter affidavit filed by the respondents is taken on record. Rejoinder, if any, may be filed by the applicant within four weeks.

List before the Court of the Principal Registrar for completion of the pleadings on 21st April, 2023 and thereafter before the Bench.

(JUSTICE ANU MALHOTRA) MEMBER (J)

> (LT GEN P.M. HARIZ) MEMBER (A)

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