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

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OA 3759/2023

Maj Minakshi Kumari Applicant

Versus

Union of India & Ors. Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. SS Pandey, Advocate For Respondents : Mr. Anil Gautam Sr CGSC,

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

ORDER 12.09.2024

The applicant has invoked the jurisdiction of this Tribunal under Section 14 of the Armed Forces Tribunal Act 2007 and clause in question the manner in which the case of the applicant was considered for grant of permanent commission and denied. Respondents have not filed the counter affidavit and today when the matter is taken up, respondents pray for four weeks' time to file counter affidavit. Shri S.S. Pandey, learned counsel for the applicant invites our attention to the advertisement issued by the Indian Army for the 63rd Short Service Commission (Tech) Men (Oct 2024) and 34th Short Service Commission (Tech) Women Course (Oct 2024). He invites our attention to Page 11 of the said advertisement and clause (c) thereof wherein certain reservations have been made who are widows of Defence Personnel and two vacancies in the column indicated in the clause (c) have been reserved for such woman officers who are widowS of Defence Personnel who are classified as Veer Naris. Applicant claims reservation on this count and therefore, we call attention of the respondents to the aforesaid clause referred to by Shri S.S. Pandey, learned counsel for the respondents and direct the respondents to specifically indicate as to whether the claim of the petitioner was considered in the back drop of the reservation available to the applicant as indicated hereinabove and claimed by her. The aforesaid aspect should be incorporated in the counter affidavit.

List the matter on **08.11.2024.** Rejoinder, if any, be filed within two weeks thereafter.

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[JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON] CHAIRPERSON

[REAR ADMIRAL DHIREN VIG] MEMBER (A)

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