

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

130.

OA 1850/2022 with MA 2433/2022

LWTR Anil Kumar (Retd) Applicant
Versus
Union of India & Ors. Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. Manoj Kumar Gupta, Advocate
For Respondents : Ms. Theepa Murugesan and
Ms. Sanya Bhatia, Advocate

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

ORDER
18.03.2025

Matter heard in part. From the records, we find that vide PPO issued on 31.05.2001 by the Office of the Controller of Defence Accounts (Navy) No. 1, Mumbai, applicant was granted Disability Pension @ 20% for life, however, the same has been discontinued w.e.f. 13.12.2006 as is evident from the communication dt. 12.01.2022 and the information given to the applicant under Right to Information Act vide communication dt 06.04.2022, Annexure A-5. On going through the records, we find from the communication dt 12.01.2022 available at page 20 in reference to a letter Ref No. CPGRAM No. PMOPG/D /2021/03136 dt 27.12.2021, the disability benefit has been discontinued by the bank. That being so, we direct issuance of notice to the respondent bank to show cause and indicate as to why the benefit of disability which was granted at 20% for life as

is evident from the PFO available at page 12 discontinued as indicated hereinabove. That apart the Office of R-4 and R-6 should also get in touch with R-5, bank and get the clarification as to under what situation and under what provision of law the disability benefit has been discontinued so that the grievance of the applicant can be examined. Office to issue notice to R-5, bank alongwith a copy of the petition, counter affidavit filed by the respondents and copy of this order directing them to appear and submit their show cause in the matter on the next date of hearing. Respondents 4 and 6 shall also get in touch with the bank, R-5 and obtain information and clarification in this matter.

2. List the matter on 06.05.2025.
3. Let a copy of this order be given '*DASTI*' to both the parties.

**[JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON]
CHAIRPERSON**

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

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