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

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MA 3948/2025 IN Diary No. 7597/2025

Sqn Ldr Mukund Sharma Applicant

Versus

Union of India & Ors. Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. Shiv Kant Pandey, Advocate

For Respondents : Mr. Neeraj, Sr. CGSC

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON, CHAIRPERSON

ORDER 12.09.2025

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The applicant has filed the present miscellaneous application challenging certain procedures being followed in the conduct of a Court Martial (CGM) initiated against him. Although the territorial jurisdiction to entertain and adjudicate the matter vests with the Armed Forces Tribunal, Regional Bench, Chennai, it is noted that both the AFT, RB, Chennai and AFT, RB, Kochi are presently non-functional due to the non-availability of Judicial Members.

2. In these circumstances, the applicant has invoked the administrative jurisdiction of the undersigned by filing this application under Rule 6 of the Armed Forces Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 2008, seeking permission to file an Original Application under Section 14 of the Armed Forces

Tribunal Act, 2007 before the AFT, Principal Bench, New Delhi.

- 3. Taking note of the aforesaid facts, this application is allowed. The applicant is permitted to invoke the jurisdiction of the AFT, Principal Bench, New Delhi. The application filed under Section 14 of the Armed Forces Tribunal Act, 2007, registered as OA Diary No. 7597/2025 shall be treated as an Original Application and be allotted a regular OA number.
- 4. The matter shall be placed before the appropriate Bench for orders at the stage of admission on 19.09.2025.
- 5. In view of the above, the MA stands disposed of.

[JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON] CHAIRPERSON

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