

**COURT No.2  
ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL  
PRINCIPAL BENCH: NEW DELHI**

12.

OA 395/2019

Lt Gen VP Singh (Retd) ..... Applicant  
VERSUS  
Union of India and Ors. .... Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. Veerendra Mohan, Advocate  
For Respondents : Mr. Satya Ranjan Swain, Advocate with  
Mr. Ankush Kapoor, Advocate  
Capt Isha Mehrotra, OIC, Legal Cell

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**HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE ANU MALHOTRA, MEMBER (J)  
HON'BLE REAR ADMIRAL DHIREN VIG, MEMBER (A)**

**ORDER  
31.07.2025**

Pursuant to proceedings dated 09.01.2025, the applicant has submitted a compliance affidavit along with documents, the same is taken on record.

2. The copies of medical records have been submitted on behalf of the applicant.

3. During the course of submissions made on behalf of the applicant, reliance has been placed on the Categorization Board proceedings dated 05.09.2017 with further submissions having also been made on behalf of the applicant in relation to the Categorization Board proceedings dated 09.10.2017 wherein the applicant is stated to have protested against the observations given in the Categorization Board proceedings dated 09.10.2017 as being an alteration to the opinion dated 05.09.2017 in para 17 and 18.

4. Furthermore, the applicant vide para 4.10 of the OA has stated to the effect:-

*“4.10 That, ignoring the specialist opinion in the afore-mentioned opinion of the Medical Board dated 05.09.2017, another Re-Categorisation Medical Board was held from 09.10.2017 to 11.10.2017 followed by the Release Medical Board in Oct 2017, though found the Applicant disabled on account of (i) Grade-1 Anterolisthesis of L5/S1 with Spondylosis LV 5, (ii) Primary Hypertension (I 10.0) and (iii) Type II Diabetes Mellitus(E11.9), but, alongwith the Commanding Officer (Dy Chief of Army Staff) of the Applicant who has wrongly recording the vintage of the disabilities as 09.10.2017, ignoring the verifiable record of onset/first detection of the disabilities, being much anterior in time to the said Release Medical Board, held the disabilities as neither attributable nor aggravated. The Applicant, thus, was retired on 31.10.2017 without any disability pension on account of disabilities cted hereinbefore.”*

6. The respondents vide their counter affidavit filed on 10.12.2019 have not responded to para 4.10 at all.

7. The respondents are directed to produce all Categorization Board proceedings copies of which are on the record as filed by the applicant and specifically Categorization Board proceedings of the date 05.09.2017 and 09.10.2017 along with the original RMB qua the applicant within a period of two weeks.

8. Submissions have been addressed on behalf of the applicant.

9. Re-list the matter as part-heard on **25.08.2025**.

Copy of this order be given ***DASTI***.

**(JUSTICE ANU MALHOTRA)**  
**MEMBER (J)**

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