

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

1.

AT 35/2024 IN TA 62/2016, TA 16/2024 AND

OA 14/2024 (RB Jammu)

Prithpal Singh ..... Applicant  
Versus  
Union of India & Ors. .... Respondents

For Applicant : By post  
For Respondents : None

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON, CHAIRPERSON

ORDER  
24.05.2024

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As directed, a letter dated 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2024 received from the applicant, namely, Mr. Prithpal Singh, an 83 years old veteran, has been placed before me to consider the prayer made.

2. In exercise of the powers available to the undersigned under Section 27 of the Armed Forces Tribunal Act, 2007, it is the contention of the applicant that this case is pending before the Armed Forces Tribunal, Regional Bench, Jammu. As only one Administrative Member is available at Regional Bench, Jammu, a Judicial Member from Armed Forces Tribunal, Regional Bench, Chandigarh along with Administrative Member posted at Armed Forces Tribunal, Regional Bench, Jammu is holding the Bench and taking up

the cases of Armed Forces Tribunal, Jammu once in a week every month whenever possible through Video Conference or if feasible by physical hearing. The applicant's case was taken up through Video Conference and from the contents stated in the aforesaid letter it seems that the applicant is not satisfied with hearing through video conference and has made various complaints. However, the grievances of the applicant in the communication is that he is an 83 years old person and in case physical hearing of the case is not possible, it be directed that his case be transferred at Armed Forces Tribunal, Regional Bench, Chandigarh at the earliest for early disposal and the case be heard by physical hearing at Armed Forces Tribunal, Regional Bench, Chandigarh. As two Courts are functioning at Armed Forces Tribunal, Regional Bench, Chandigarh and physical hearing is taking up, in the interest of justice, taking note of the grievances and treating the representation made by an 83 years old veteran, the prayer made in this application is allowed.

3. Accordingly, TA 62/2016 pending before the Regional Bench at Jammu stands transferred to the Regional Bench at Chandigarh for early disposal.

4. Registry (Jammu) is directed to ensure that the entire record of TA 62/2016, in original, is remitted to the Regional Bench at Chandigarh within four weeks.
5. Accordingly, AT stands disposed of.

[JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON]  
CHAIRPERSON

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