

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

63.

RA 14/2026 in OA 1107/2023

Ex Capt SM Deshmukh (Retd)	Applicant
Versus		
Union of India & Ors.	Respondents

For Applicant	:	Mr. K R Verma, Advocate
For Respondents	:	Mr. K K Tyagi, Sr CGSC

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

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Invoking the jurisdiction of this Tribunal under Rule 18 of the Armed Forces Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 2008, the applicant has filed the present Review Application seeking review of the Order dated 03.03.2026 passed by this Tribunal in OA No. 1107/2023. The claim of the applicant for grant of disability pension was rejected on the ground that the same was filed after an inordinate delay of more than 53 years, and the relevant records had already been destroyed in accordance with the statutory provisions contained in Regulation 619(C) of the Defence Service Regulations for the Army, 1987 (Revised Edition). The applicant now seeks reconsideration of the matter on the ground that in certain cases relief has been granted, placing

reliance on the judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of *Ex CPL Ranganathan Nair v. Union of India and Ors.* (CA No.1320-1321/2019) as also in *Rajumon TM v. Union of India and Ors.* (CA No.998/2025).

2. It is well settled that the scope of review is extremely limited. A review lies only for correction of an error apparent on the face of record and cannot be used to re-argue the matter on merits or to substitute a view already taken.

3. In terms of the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter of *Sasi through Legal Representatives Vs. Aravindakashan Nair and Ors.* (2017) 4 SCC 692, we find that no error apparent on the face of the record has been pointed out warranting reconsideration of the Order under review.

4. Therefore, the Review Application is dismissed being devoid of merit.

[JUSTICE RAJENDRA MENON]
CHAIRPERSON

[REAR ADMIRAL DHIREN VIG]
MEMBER (A)