

COURT NO. 2, ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL
PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI
(Through Video-Conferencing)

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OA 1547/2020 with MA 1791/2020 & MA 1792/2020

In the matter of :

Sqn Ldr R. K Gupta & Ors.

... Applicants

Versus

Union of India & Ors.

... Respondents

For Applicants : Shri Anil Srivastava, Advocate

For Respondents : Shri Hairsh V. Shankar, Advocate

CORAM :

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE SUNITA GUPTA, MEMBER (J)

HON'BLE AIR MARSHAL B.B.P. SINHA, MEMBER (A)

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19.02.2021

M.A. No. 1791 of 2020 and M.A. No. 1792 of 2020 :

Reply to the application has not been filed by the respondents, instead more time is sought for the purpose.

Perusal of the prayer clause goes to show that all the applicants are pre-2013 retirees and they want re-fixation of their pay as per 7th CPC effective from 01.01.2016. That being so, at this stage, filing of reply by each individual is not required. Since the issue involved in respect of all the applicants is same, application is allowed and permission is granted to all the applicants to join together in the present OA. As such, application for condonation of delay in filing the joint application is also allowed.

Both the MAs stand disposed of accordingly.

O.A. No. 1547 of 2020 :

Heard. Admit.

Issue Notice to the respondents. Notice is accepted by Shri Neeraj, Sr. CGSC for the respondents, who seeks time to file counter affidavit. Let the same be filed within four weeks with copy to the learned counsel for the applicant.

List the matter before the Principal Registrar on **13th April, 2021** for completion of pleadings.

**[JUSTICE SUNITA GUPTA]
MEMBER (J)**

**[AIR MARSHAL B.B.P. SINHA]
MEMBER (A)**

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