IN THE ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL REGIONAL BENCH, GUWAHATI.

<u>MA - 74 of 2016</u> (IN OA - 78/2017)

Ex-Sep Vumkhotuan, No. 4345034, Vill. Lungehin, P.O. Singhat, Dist Churachandpur, Manipur.

>Applicant. By legal practitioners for Applicant. Mrs Rita Devi Mr. AR Tahbildar

-Versus-

- 1. Union of India, Represented by the Secretary, Ministry of Defence, Sena Bhawan, New Delhi-110011.
- 2. Records The Assam Regiment, PIN (ARMY) - 900332, C/o 99 APO.
- 3. Additional Director General, Personnel Services, PS-4(d) Adjutant Gneral's Branch, IHQ of MoD(Army), DHQ, P.O. New Delhi.
- 4. The Principal Controller of Defence Acctts (Pension), Allahabad, Pin 211014, Uttar Pradesh.

.......Respondents By legal practitioners for Respondents. Mr. N.Baruah,CGSC.

PRESENT HON`BLE MR. JUSTICE B.P.KATAKEY, MEMBER (J) HON`BLE VICE ADMIRAL MP MURALIDHARAN, MEMBER (A)

<u>ORDER</u>

22.03.2017.

Heard Mr. A.R.Tahbildar, learned Counsel for the applicant and Mr. Nilutpal Baruah, learned Central Govt. Standing Counsel assisted by Col Anand, OIC, Legal Cell, Guwahati appearing for the respondents.

2. The applicant has filed this application seeking condonatio of delay contending, inter alia, that since the claim of the applicant in the O.A. is for grant of disability element of the pension, which is based on continuing case of action, the delay needs to be condonned.

3. The prayer made in the application has been opposed to by the learned Counsel for the respondents contending that since the applicant has failed to demonstrate any sufficient case in not filing the O.A. on time, the delay may not be condonned.

4. Having regard to the fact that the applicant's claim in the O.A. is for grant of disability element of the pension, which is based on continuing cause of action, we disposed of the M.A. with the observation that if the applicant is found to be entitled to the relief claimed in the O.A., the arrear may be r estricted for a period of 3 (three) years preceding the date of filing o the O.A.

5. M.A. accordingly stands disposed.

MEMBER (A)

MEMBER (J)

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