

NHAI vs. Yadvinder

OMP (M) No. 134/2026

24.7.2026

Present: Ms. Shreya Chauhan, Advocate, for the applicant.

Mr. Gaurav Chaudhary, Advocate, for respondents No. 1 to 11.

Mr. Baldev Singh Negi, Addl. A.G. for respondent No.12.

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The present application has been filed for condonation of delay in filing the main appeal. It has been averred in the application that even though copy of the impugned judgment, dated 29.3.2025 was applied by the counsel on 12.6.2025 and delivered on 26.6.2025, however disposal of the case was not within the knowledge of the applicant as the same was never intimated to the applicant by its counsel/Law Firm i.e. M/s M.V. Kini & Co. Due to such inefficiency and lackadaisical attitude of the aforesaid Law Firm, cases were withdrawn from it vide letters dated 20.9.2023 and 26.3.2024. On closing of the financial year, when the applicant inquired from all the Law Firms about pendency of all the cases pending in various Forums, it came to the knowledge of the applicant that objection petitions pertaining to Muhal Nagchalla have already been disposed of. Accordingly prompt action was taken for preparation of the appeal. Thus, the aforesaid delay is neither intentional nor deliberate, but has occurred due to unavoidable circumstances, which were beyond the control of the applicant.

In view of the reasons stated in the application, more particularly, paras 3 to 5 thereof, which is duly supported by an affidavit, coupled with submissions made by the learned counsel for the applicant, delay in filing the main appeal is condoned. Appeal be registered. Application stands disposed of.

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Heard. Admit. Send for the records. List in due course.

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Be registered. Heard. Subject to the applicant's depositing entire awarded amount along with upto date interest in the Registry of this Court within a period of eight weeks from today, operation, implementation and execution of the impugned judgment as also the impugned arbitral award, shall remain stayed during the pendency of the appeal. Application stands disposed of.

(Romesh Verma)
Judge

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