

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 16.06.2020

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR.A.P.SAHI, CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SENTHILKUMAR RAMAMOORTHY

W.M.P.No.8947 of 2020  
in W.P.No.25513 of 2016

1.Air India Limited,  
rep. Chairman and Managing Director,  
Airlines House,  
Guruwara Rakabganj Road,  
New Delhi-110 001.

2.Central Training Establishment,  
Air India Limited,  
rep. by its Director of Training,  
(CTE) Ferozguda, Hyderabad-500 011.

3.Air India Limited,  
General Manager,  
Operations Department,  
Meenambakkam,  
Chennai – 600 027.

.. Petitioners/  
Respondents 2 to 4

-vs-

1.Capt. Lakshmi Krishna Kumar,  
rep. by her Power of Attorney,  
Cap. M.S.Krishnakumar,  
'Lakshmi Krishna',  
32, Perialwar Street,  
Sundaram Colony,  
East Tambaram,  
Chennai – 600 059.

.. 1<sup>st</sup> Respondent/  
Petitioner/  
Party-in-person

2.Union of India,  
rep. by its Secretary,  
Ministry of Civil Aviation,  
Rajiv Gandhi Bhavan,  
Safdarjung Airport,  
New Delhi – 110 003.

.. 2<sup>nd</sup> Respondent/  
1<sup>st</sup> Respondent

Petition filed praying to pass an order extending the time of two months mentioned in para 10 of the judgment dated 10.03.2020 for complying with the directions in W.P.No.25513 of 2016 (W.A.No.446 of 2016 etc.) by another three more months.

For Petitioners : Mr.K.Srinivasa Murthy

For Respondents : Mr.J.Madanagopal Rao  
Standing Counsel  
for 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent

: No appearance  
for 1<sup>st</sup> respondent

**ORDER**

(Order of the Court was made by The Hon'ble Chief Justice)

We have heard learned counsel for the applicants and learned counsel for the Union of India.

2. Learned counsel for the applicants has prayed for extension of time and while making such a prayer, paragraph 7 of the affidavit filed in support of the application reads as under:

*"7.We have a good case for Appeal. But due to Nationwide lockdown we cold not prepare and file SLP before the Hon'ble Supreme Court. Despite being well aware of the fact, the Respondent/Appellant & her husband are sending repeated emails directing us to comply with the order by refunding the training cost which she paid. Not only that, the 1<sup>st</sup> Respondent/Writ Petitioner is also claiming certain other amounts."*

3. Learned counsel for the applicants contends that it was on account of the lockdown period that there was some communication problem and the transmission of papers as well as filing of SLP is likely to take some more time.

4. The time sought, therefore, is not for compliance of making the payments, but is rather an application for virtually seeking to file SLP before the Apex Court.

5. We do not find this to be a good ground, inasmuch as the Apex Court also had been continuously functioning through Video Conferencing and therefore, grant of extension of time on the grounds taken in the application does not appeal to us.

The application for extending time is accordingly rejected.

(A.P.S., C.J.)

(S.K.R., J.)

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