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3. In spite of service, the respondents have not filed any affidavit-in-reply, and therefore, the reasons given in the Civil Application have remained uncontroverted.

4. For the reasons set out in the Civil Application, the delay in filing the First Appeal is condoned. Civil Application is allowed in terms of prayer clause (a).

(**MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.)**