

08.06.2026

Present : Ms. Aruna Mehta and Mr. Lakshya Mehta, Ld. Counsels
for applicant Mr. Dheeraj Gupta.

This is an application for premature release of Rs.7 lakhs.

Record is perused.

It is stated in the application that the applicant requires Rs.7 lakhs to repay the money which he had borrowed.

The Tribunal is conscious of the provisions of Rule 27 of the Delhi Motor Accidents Claims Tribunal Rules, 2008, which envisage disbursement of compensation in a phased manner to ensure its judicious and prudent utilization by the claimants. However, the said provision is intended for the benefit of the claimant and cannot be construed as a restriction on the claimant's autonomy in dealing with his own compensation amount.

The compensation amount belongs to the claimant, and it is his prerogative to seek lumpsum release of the same. The Tribunal cannot impose its own opinion as to how the claimant should utilize his money. In the present case, the applicant has sought premature release of Rs.7 lakhs which should not be denied.

Accordingly, the application is allowed.

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It is directed that the FDRs alongwith up-to-date interest, to the extent of Rs.7 lakhs be released to him.

A copy of this order be given dasti to the applicant for providing it to the concerned Bank Manager for necessary compliance.

File be consigned to the record room.

(Shirish Aggarwal)
Judge/ PO, MACT-01
New Delhi, 08.06.2026