Misc DJ No.462/26
Sarika Vs. Mast Ram

13.04.2026

This is an application for premature release of Rs.15 lakhs. It be checked and registered as a miscellaneous case.

Present : Mr. Shubham Kumar, Ld. Proxy Counsel for the applicant.

Report is received from UCO Bank.

Record is perused.

It is stated in the application that the applicant requires Rs.15,00,000/- for purchasing machines for her clinic.

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 her prerogative to seek lumpsum release of the same. She is an educated lady and therefore, is likely to use her money more wisely. The Tribunal cannot impose its own opinion as to how the claimant should utilize her money. In the present case, the applicant has sought

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premature release of Rs.15,00,000/- which should not be denied.

Accordingly, the application is allowed.

It is directed that the FDRs alongwith up-to-date interest, to the extent of Rs.15,00,000/- be released to her.

A copy of this order be given dasti to the Ld. Counsel for 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, 13.04.2026