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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C) 7448/2020**

NITIN SHARMAPetitioner

Through: Mr. Ankur Chhibber, Adv.

versus

UNION OF INDIA AND ORSRespondents

Through:

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE C. HARI SHANKAR

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE OM PRAKASH SHUKLA

ORDER

% **26.08.2025**

1. In this case, after hearing the learned Counsel for the parties, we had tentatively allowed this writ petition with reasons to be dictated separately. Thereafter, however, on studying the file we noticed that the DOP&T OM dated 27 March 2012 on which the petitioner placed reliance specifically restricts its application to civilian government servants. The petitioner is not a civilian government servant. The judgment of the Division Bench of this Court in **Krishan Singh v UOI**¹ which is cited by the petitioner specifically notes that the instructions in that case did not distinguish between civilian and combatised personnel.

2. We, therefore, were constrained to re-examine the matter, and relisted it.

¹ 2010 SCC OnLine Del 3775



3. On this position being drawn to the attention of Mr. Ankur Chhibber, he seeks a day's time to examine it.

4. Re-notify on 27 August 2025.

C. HARI SHANKAR, J.

OM PRAKASH SHUKLA, J.

AUGUST 26, 2025/aky