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

+ **MAC.APP. 584/2025 & CM APPL.57218/2025**

LIBERTY GENERAL INSURANCE LIMITEDAppellant

Through: Mr. Amitej Kumar Nagar, Adv.

versus

SUHANI KEDIA & ORS.Respondents

Through: Ms. Priyanka Sethia, Adv. for
Respondents/Claimants.

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+ **MAC.APP. 585/2025 & CM APPL.57221/2025**

LIBERTY GENERAL INSURANCE LTD.Appellant

Through: Mr. Amitej Kumar Nagar, Adv.

versus

SUHANI KEDIA & ORS.Respondents

Through: Ms. Priyanka Sethia, Adv. for
Respondents/Claimants.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE TARA VITASTA GANJU

ORDER

% **19.09.2025**

**CM Appl. 57220/2025 in MAC. APP. 584/2025/Seeking condonation of
delay in filing/**

**CM Appl. 57223/2025 in MAC. APP. 585/2025/Seeking condonation of
delay in filing/**

1. These are the Applications filed on behalf of the Appellant seeking condonation of delay of 28 days in filing the present Appeal.
2. For the reasons as stated in the Applications, the delay is condoned.
3. The Applications stand disposed of.

**CM Appl. 57219/2025 in MAC. APP. 584/2025/Exemption from filing
dim copies/**

CM Appl. 57222/2025 in MAC. APP. 585/2025/Exemption from filing



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4. Allowed, subject to the Appellant filing dim copies of the annexures within a period of three weeks.

5. The Applications stand disposed of.

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6. The present Appeals have been filed under Section 173 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 impugning the awards dated 24.04.2025/25.04.2025 passed by the learned Presiding Officer, MACT and District Judge-01, North-West District, Rohini District Court, Delhi [hereinafter referred to as “Impugned Awards”]. By the Impugned Awards, the following amounts had been granted as compensation to the Respondent no.1/Claimant:

MAC. APP. 584/2025	Rs. 56,11,564/- along with interest at the rate of 9% per annum.
MAC APPL.585/2025	Rs. 81,13,940/- along with interest at the rate of 9% per annum.

7. Learned Counsel for the Appellant restricts his challenge in the present Appeals to the non-grant of recovery rights. He submits that the finding in the Impugned Awards was clear that the Respondent/owner did not produce a valid driving licence and neither the driver nor the owner stepped into the witness box to give their evidence. He further submits that in these circumstances and given the fact that no driving licence was produced before the learned Tribunal, the Insurance Company could not have been saddled with the entire liability.

8. Issue Notice limited to this aspect. Learned Counsel for Respondents/Claimants accepts Notice. On steps being taken, let Notice be



issued to the remaining Respondents *via* all modes. *Dasti* in addition. An affidavit of service be filed within two weeks.

9. Subject to the deposit of entire decretal amount inclusive of up-to-date interest within a period of 8 weeks, the operation of the Impugned Awards shall remain stayed till the next date of hearing. In the event, there is any default in depositing the amount, the interim protection granted by this Court shall automatically stand vacated.

9.1 Since there is no challenge to the quantum by the Appellant, upon deposit by the Appellant, the Respondents/claimants are at liberty to withdraw the deposited amount in accordance with scheme, as is set out in the Impugned Award.

10. The Registry is directed to place on record the digital copy of the Trial Court Record duly paginated and book-marked in accordance with the rules of the High Court.

11. List before concerned Registrar on 01.12.2025 for completion of service.

12. The parties shall act based on the digitally signed copy of the order.

TARA VITASTA GANJU, J

SEPTEMBER 19, 2025/r