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IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

MISC.CIVIL APPLICATION NO.603 OF 2023

IN

**APPEAL UNDER WORKMENS COMPENSATION ACT NO.1142
OF 2023 (F)**

ICICI GENERAL INSURANCE CO. LTD

... APPLICANT

Versus

SONI DEVI AND ANR

... RESPONDENTS

Mr. James Lopes, Advocate for the Applicant.

Mr. Parikshit Sawant with Mr. Sachin Raul, Advocates for the
Respondent No.1.

Ms. Harshada Shiroadkar, Advocate for the Respondent No.2.

CORAM:- ASHISH S. CHAVAN, J.

DATED :- 7th May, 2026

P.C.:

1. This is an application for Condonation of Delay of 96 days in filing the accompanying Appeal bearing No. AUW/1142/2023/F preferred by the Applicant (Appellant).

2. Paragraph Nos.5 to 10 of the Application for Condonation of Delay spell out the case of the Applicant that the delay was neither intentional nor borne out of negligence. It is orally submitted on behalf of the learned Counsel for the Applicant that the delay was on account of the different levels of process in the hierarchy of the Applicant/Appellant.

3. It is not in dispute that the initial compensation imposed by the Commissioner for Employees Compensation, Government of Goa, is deposited.

4. The Application is opposed by the learned Advocate for the Respondents who submits that no case is made out for condonation of delay in the aforesaid Application.

5. Appreciating the rival contentions, this Court finds it fit to condone the delay in view of the averments made at paragraph nos.5 to 10 of the aforesaid Application which clearly make out the case that the delay was not on account of any deliberate intention of the Applicant/Appellant. In view thereof, the delay stands condoned.

6. Application for Condonation of Delay is allowed.

7. MCA No.603/2023 stands disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

ASHISH S. CHAVAN, J.