

should be paid from the date of the award or from the date of filing of the application. There are a number of cases decided by this Court, where it is said that if in case compensation is awarded, the same could be granted from the date of the application. In this connection, reference may be made to a decision of this Court in Bijoy Kumar Dugar Vs. Bidya Dhar Dutta & Others reported in 2006(3)SCC 242.

Learned counsel for the respondents has submitted that there was delay in filing the application seeking for the compensation. However, the fact remains that such delay although originally was there but was later on condoned and compensation was directed to be paid.

Considering the facts that only an amount of Rs. 1,03,250 has been awarded by the High Court to be paid, we direct that interest to be paid on the aforesaid amount at the rate of 7% from the date of filing of the application. The impugned judgment and order is modified to the aforesaid extent.

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The appeals are allowed in terms of the aforesaid order.

.....J.
(DR. MUKUNDAKAM SHRMA)

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(ANIL R. DAVE)

NEW DELHI
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