

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL  
ERNAKULAM BENCH

OA 104/99

Wednesday the 27th day of January 1999.

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HON'BLE MR A.V.HARIDASAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

G. Pandia Rajendran  
Electrical Fitter  
Southern Railway  
Nagarcoil Junction.

...Applicant

(By advocate: Mr P.K.Madhusoodhanan)

Versus

1. The Senior Divisional Personnel Officer  
Southern Railway  
Thiruvananthapuram-14.

2. The Chief Personnel Officer  
Southern Railway  
Park Town, Chennai.

3. Union of India represented by its  
General Manager  
Southern Railway, Park Town  
Chennai.

...Respondents.

(By advocate Mrs Sumathi Dandapani)

The application having been heard on 27th January 1999,  
the Tribunal on the same day delivered the following:

O R D E R

HON'BLE MR A.V.HARIDASAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

Applicant who is working as Electrical Fitter/Train  
Lighting/Highly Skilled II, Southern Railway, Nagarcoil  
Junction has filed this application impugning the order  
dated 7.1.99 (Annexure A-1) by which on the basis of the  
option submitted by him, he has been transferred in the  
same grade and scale to Electric Loco Shed, Erode in Palghat  
Division. The applicant has alleged that he had submitted  
an option in the year 1997, situation having changed now the  
present transfer would put him into severe disadvantage and  
hardship as he does not have the experience and expertise  
to perform the duties of the transferred post. However, as  
the transfer of the applicant was on his option which he had  
not recalled, finding little scope for judicial intervention,  
learned counsel of the applicant pleaded that the application

may be disposed of permitting the applicant to make a representation to the first respondent to cancel the impugned order allowing the applicant to withdraw the option and directing the first respondent to consider and dispose of the same promptly keeping the operation of the impugned order in abeyance.

2. After hearing the learned counsel of the applicant and Shri Karthikeya Panicker, additional Central Government Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents, I am of the opinion that the interest of justice demands the matter to be dealt with as pleaded by the learned counsel of the applicant.

3. In the result, the application is disposed of with the following directions:

- (a) The applicant may within a week from today make a representation to the first respondent seeking cancellation of the impugned order permitting him to withdraw the option.
- (b) The first respondent shall within two weeks from the date of receipt of the representation mentioned in clause (a) consider the same and give the applicant an appropriate reply and
- (c) The impugned order shall be kept in abeyance till the representation of the applicant is disposed of by the first respondent. No order as to costs.

Dated 27th January 1999.



(A.V. HARIDASAN)  
VICE CHAIRMAN

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**LIST OF ANNEXURE**

1. **Annexure A1: True copy of O.O. No.1/99/EL of the first respondent, Sr. Divisional Personnel Officer, Thiruvananthapuram dtd.7.1.99.**

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