

**ORDER SHEET**  
**CENTRAL GOVT.INDUSTRIAL TRIBUNAL CUM LABOUR COURT,**  
**JABALPUR(MP)**

**CASE NO. CGIT/LC/EPFA/14/2021**  
**Pragati Security Services Bhopal Vs. RPFC, Bhopal**

Date of order of proceeding	Order or proceeding with signature of Presiding Officer	Signature of parties or pleaders where necessary
25-6-2021	<p>Case taken up through video conferencing.</p> <p>Shri Aakash Choudhary, learned counsel for the appellant. Shri J.K.Pillai, learned counsel for the respondent.</p> <p>This is an appeal against the order of Respondent Authority under Section 14-B of the Employees Provident Fund &amp; Misc Provisions Act,1952(hereinafter referred to as the word Act). The impugned order was passed on 12-6-2019. The appeal has been filed on 17-6-2021. The ground taken for condonation is that the Writ Petition No.6091/2021 was filed against the impugned order before Hon'ble High Court of M.P.at Jabalpur which was disposed vide order dated 31-3-2021 and the Hon'ble High court directed the appellant to seek recourse of alternative remedy of appeal available to him within a period of 15 days from the date of order and also condoned the delay in filing appeal. The appeal has been filed on 17-6-2021. The ground taken is the second wave of COVID-19 Pandemic in which there was complete lock down in the State. Learned counsel has referred to order of Hon'ble Apex Court in case of sou motu Writ Petition No.3/2020 whereby the Hon'ble Apex Court has extended limitations for filing appeals, revisions etc. This order has been followed by Hon'ble the Division Bench of Hon'ble High Court of M.P. in case No.8820/2020 in the reference Union of India and State of M.P., hence keeping in view the aforesaid directions, the appeal is admitted for hearing , condoning the delay.</p> <p>As regards I.A. pressed by learned counsel for appellant regarding recovery of amount under appeal, so far as it relates to Order under Section 14-B of Act, after hearing submission of learned counsel for appellant and in view of his submission that he is ready to deposit 40%</p>	

of the amount, the recovery of amount under Section 14-B is stayed till disposal of appeal on the condition of deposit of 40% of the amount by the appellant within 30 days from the date of this order.

Respondents to counter within 30 days from today with documents after serving a copy thereof to learned counsel for the appellant. Rejoinder if any, within 15 days thereafter.

List the case for final arguments on 27-8-2021.

**PRESIDING OFFICER**