

NHAI vs. Maya Devi

OMP(M) No. 147 of 2026

07.07.2026

Present: Ms. Sneh Bhimta, Advocate, vice counsel for the applicant.

Mr. Yuyutsu Singh Thakur, Advocate, for the respondent.

The present application has been filed for condonation of delay of 170 days in filing the present appeal. It has been averred that the impugned judgment was passed by learned District Judge, Bilaspur on 16.04.2025. Learned counsel for the applicant had applied for certified copy of impugned judgment on 21.06.2025 and the same was delivered on 22.07.2025. It is averred that the applicant contacted its counsel in order to procure the certified copy as well as the record which was finally procured in the month of August, 2025. Thereafter, legal opinion was sought as to determine the future course of action. After obtaining the legal opinion, the matter was examined at various levels for the purpose of filing the appeal and the papers were transmitted to the present counsel in September, 2025. Therefore, it has been prayed that the delay in filing the appeal is neither intentional nor willful, but the same has occurred due to unavoidable circumstances.

Learned counsel for the non-applicant has no objection in case the application is allowed.

Consequently, in view of the averments as made in the application, which is duly supported by an affidavit and in view of submissions as made by learned counsel for the applicant, the present application is allowed and the delay in filing the appeal is condoned.

Accordingly, the application stands disposed of.

Arb. Appeal No. _____/2026

Appeal be registered.

Heard.

Admit.

Send for records. List for hearing in due course.

Learned counsel for the respondent undertakes to file power of attorney on behalf of the respondent within three weeks.

OMPST No. 3633 of 2026

Be registered.

Heard.

Subject to deposit of entire awarded amount along with up-to-date interest by the appellant/applicant within a period of eight weeks from today, the operation, implementation and execution of impugned judgment

dated 16.04.2025, as passed by learned District Judge,
Bilaspur as well as arbitral award dated 07.12.2022, is
ordered to be stayed during the pendency of appeal.

Application stands disposed of.

(Romesh Verma)
Judge

7th July, 2026
(kck)