

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

**CIVIL APPEAL NO. 14816 OF 2025**

**S SURENDRABABU**

**Appellant(s)**

**VERSUS**

**IFFCO TOKIO GEN. INSURANCE  
COMPANY LTD & ANR.**

**Respondent(s)**

**O R D E R**

1. Heard the learned counsel for the parties.
2. This appeal arises from an order of the High Court of Karnataka at Bengaluru<sup>1</sup> dated 28.03.2019 in Miscellaneous First Appeal No. 8212 of 2016, whereby the compensation awarded to the appellant by the Motor Accident Claims Tribunal (hereinafter referred to as "Tribunal") of Rs.2,12,150/- (Rupees Two Lakh Twelve Thousand One Hundred Fifty), with interest at the rate of 9 per cent per annum from the date of petition till the date of deposit, was enhanced by a

1      1 High Court

lumpsum amount of Rs.75,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five Thousand).

3. The appellant before this Court seeks further enhancement of the compensation on the ground that he was employed as a driver and finding returned in the impugned order is that on account of the injuries sustained by him in the accident, he is unable to continue in his profession.
4. It is submitted that in these circumstances, the functional disability ought to have been assessed at 100 per cent and, therefore, the compensation is liable to be enhanced.
5. Upon consideration of the rival submissions, we are of the view that ends of justice would be served, if the total compensation awarded by the Tribunal, as enhanced by the High Court, is further enhanced by a lump sum amount of Rs.1,00,000 (Rupees One Lakh).
6. The appeal is disposed of in the above terms.
7. We further deem it appropriate to direct that the total amount of compensation payable under the order(s) of the Tribunal and the High Court

as further enhanced by this Court shall be paid  
within one month from today.

8. There is no order as to costs.

9. Pending applications, if any, shall stand  
disposed of.

.....J  
(MANOJ MISRA)

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(MANMOHAN)

New Delhi  
February 26, 2026

ITEM NO.101

COURT NO.14

SECTION XII-B

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A  
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(IA No. 164649/2019 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 26-02-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ MISRA

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For Appellant(s) : Mr. Prakash Ranjan Nayak, AOR

For Respondent(s) :

Mr. Divyansh Mishra, Adv.

Mr. Gopal Singh, AOR

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following  
O R D E R

1. The appeal is disposed of in terms of the signed order.
2. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(DEEPAK SINGH)

ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PRAVEEN KUMAR)

BRANCH OFFICER

[Signed order is placed on the file]