

HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR

ARBA No. 13 of 2017

Berdant Agri Business Pvt Ltd Having Its Branch Office At B-7, 25 Bungalow
Vyapar Vihar Road Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh, Represented Through Gautam Rakesh
Aged 42 Years, S/o Late Vijay Kumar Director

---- Appellant

Versus

Union Of India (National Highways Authority Of India) Through Project
Implementation Unit, A-7, V.I.P. Estate, Shankar Nagar, Raipur, Chhattisgarh-
492001

---- Respondent

Shri VVS Murthy, senior counsel along with Shri Mukesh Sharma, counsel for the
appellant/s.
Shri Rahim Ubwani, counsel for the respondent on advance copy.

Hon'ble Shri Justice Manindra Mohan Shrivastava

Order On Board

21/03/2017

The only grievance ventilated through this petition is that even though the
matter has been referred to the Arbitrator under the provisions of the National
Highways Act, 1956, in the matter of grant of appropriate compensation, decision
has not been taken by the Arbitrator.

2. Without commenting upon the merits of the case, this petition is disposed
off with a direction to the sole Arbitrator to decide the matter as early as possible
because if the matter is not decided within a reasonable time, the very purpose for
adjudication through the Arbitrator under the statutory scheme of National
Highways Act would be frustrated.

3. Let the proceedings be completed expeditiously as early as possible,
preferably within six months.

4. A copy of this order be submitted before the Arbitrator for necessary
compliance.

Sd/-
(Manindra Mohan Shrivastava)
Judge