

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

ARB-268-2016 (O&M)

Date of decision:- 14.07.2017

M/s Singla Construction Limited

...Petitioner

Versus

Airports Authority of India, Amritsar and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.J. VAZIFDAR, CHIEF JUSTICE

Present:- Mr. Rajat Chopra, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Jagdish Manchanda, Advocate,
for the respondents.

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S.J. VAZIFDAR, C.J. (ORAL)

This is a petition under Section 11(6) of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 for the appointment of an arbitrator.

2. The parties had entered into a contract clause 25 whereof contains an arbitration agreement.

3. Disputes and differences have arisen between the parties. Whether the petitioner was responsible for the delays or not is for the Arbitral Tribunal to decide. The petitioner had invoked the arbitration agreement. The respondents have to date not appointed an arbitrator. They have, therefore, forfeited their right to appoint an arbitrator.

4. The petition is, therefore, disposed of by appointing Mr. Justice Darshan Singh, a former Judge of this Court, as the sole arbitrator. The fees shall be as per the Chandigarh Arbitration Centre (CAC) (Administrative Cost and Arbitrators' Fees) Rules, 2014.

**(S.J. VAZIFDAR)
CHIEF JUSTICE**

14.07.2017

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No