

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

Arbitration Case No. 38 of 2019 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 18.10.2019

Er. Pankaj Arora

.....Applicant

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE

Present : Mr. P.S.Rana, Advocate, for the applicant.
Mr. Suveer Sheokand, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab,
for the respondents.

RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE (oral)

This is an application filed by the applicant under section 11(6) of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 seeking appointment of an arbitrator on account of the fact that the respondent-authorities failed to appoint an arbitrator in terms of the relevant clause of the agreement between the parties.

The respondents have filed a return today which is being taken on record, according to which they have appointed Mr. M.S.Virdi, a retired District & Sessions Judge, as an arbitrator.

Learned counsel for the applicant, however, submits that as the period prescribed in law has lapsed, therefore, the Court may appoint an independent arbitrator. The respondents also agree to such submission.

In the circumstances, on account of the agreement and with the consent of the parties, Shri Inderjit Singh, a retired District & Sessions Judge, Punjab, # House No. 93, Punjabi Bagh, Patiala, is appointed as an

arbitrator for the purposes of proceeding further in the matter. The fees shall be as per the Chandigarh Arbitration Centre (CAC) (Administrative Cost and Arbitrators’ Fees) Rules, 2014 or as may be settled by the parties and the arbitrator. The arbitrator be informed accordingly.

The application stands disposed of.

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)
CHIEF JUSTICE

18.10.2019
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Whether speaking/reasoned	√Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No√