

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
REQUEST CASE No.22 of 2024

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Ranjeet Kumar Railway and Government Contractor, Resident of Mustafapur,
Cantt. Road, Khagaul, Patna- 801105.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The Union of India through the Chairman Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. The East Central Railway, through General Manager, East Central Railway, Hajipur, Bihar.
3. Chief Mechanical Engineer, East Central Railway, Hajipur, Bihar.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Vikas Kumar Jha, Advocate
For the Respondent/s	:	Dr. K. N. Singh, Additional Solicitor General Mr. Ram Tujabh Singh, CGC

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CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

ORAL JUDGMENT

Date : 23-08-2024

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

2. This application has been moved seeking appointment of an Arbitrator invoking the powers of this Court under Section 11(6) of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.

3. Petitioner and the respondent entered into an agreement dated 25.06.2009 (Annexure-P/3). The petitioner invoked the arbitration clause vide communication dated 21.02.2022 (Annexure-P/6) for appointment of an arbitrator, but to no avail.

4. It is pleaded that the respondents have not settled the dispute till date and the dispute is of civil in nature.

5. Today, there is no dispute about-(a) the legality, validity and binding effect of the written agreement entered into



between the parties to the *lis*; (b) the existence of arbitration clause contained therein; (c) the existence of dispute(s) arising there from; (d) the dispute arising out of the agreement being civil in nature; (e) no legal impediment in the adjudication of the dispute by the learned Arbitrator; (f) Petitioner having exhausted the channel available for resolution of the dispute; (g) the respondent having failed to appoint an Arbitrator pursuant to the invocation of the arbitration clause by the petitioner.

6. As such, Hon'ble Mr. Justice (Retd) Dinesh Kumar Singh, a former Judge of the Patna High Court, is appointed as learned Arbitrator to adjudicate all disputes arising out of agreement entered into between the parties to the *lis*.

7. All pleas and issues raised, on merits, are left open to be considered and decided by the learned Arbitrator.

8. The learned Arbitrator shall be entitled to fee as per the schedule of the Act.

9. Since the dispute arises out of an agreement of the year 2009, the hearing be expedited.

10. The issue of limitation, if any, is left open to be raised before the Arbitral Tribunal.

11. Joint Registrar (List) is directed to communicate the order to the learned Arbitrator.

12. Learned counsel for the parties also undertake to communicate the order to the learned Arbitrator.



13. The Arbitral Tribunal shall issue notice to the respondents.

14. The Request Petition stands disposed of in the above terms.

(K. Vinod Chandran, CJ)

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