

ORDER SHEET

AP/863/2023

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction
ORIGINAL SIDE

ECI ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CO. PVT. LTD.
VS
THE SECRETARY, IRRIGATION AND WATERWAYS,
GOVT. OF WEST BENGAL AND ANR.

BEFORE:

The Hon'ble JUSTICE MOUSHUMI BHATTACHARYA

Date : 15th January, 2024.

Appearance:

Mr. Reetobroto Mitra, Adv.

Mr. Sagnik Basu, Adv.

Ms. Nidhi Bahal, Adv.

Mr. Subhrojyoti Dey, Adv.

...for the petitioner

Mr. Anirban Ray, Ld. G.P.

Mr. Arindam Mandal, Adv.

Mr. Paritosh Sinha, Ld. AOR

...for the State respondent

The Court: This is the third application for extension of the mandate of the learned Arbitrator. The second order is dated 12th October, 2023 whereby the mandate was extended till 22nd December, 2023. The present application was made during continuation of the mandate.

The parties are now at the stage of arguments and learned counsel appearing for both the parties seek further extension of six months for the learned Arbitrator to make and publish the Award.

Considering the fact that the reference started in 2020 and that this is the third extension, the Court is not inclined to accept the prayer made on behalf of the parties for a long extension.

The learned Arbitrator will be at liberty to impose strict timelines on the parties to complete their respective arguments.

AP/863/2023 is accordingly allowed and disposed of by extending the mandate for four months from today.

(MOUSHUMI BHATTACHARYA, J.)

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