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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **O.M.P.(MISC.)(COMM.) 381/2024**

M/S SHRI RAM ELECTRICAL WORKS Petitioner

Through: Mr Gautam Kumar Laha, Mr Atul
Kumar, Mr. Chandan Kumar & Mr.
Vikash Kumar Choudhary, Advs. (M:
9818842225)

versus

POWER GRID CORPORATION OF INDIA LTD. Respondent

Through: Mr. Pranay Kishore Mishra,
Advocate. (M: 9818922530)

CORAM:

JUSTICE PRATHIBA M. SINGH

ORDER

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13.05.2024

1. This hearing has been done through hybrid mode.

I.A. 10829/2024 (for exemption)

2. This is an application seeking exemption from filing originals/certified/cleared/typed or translated copies of documents, left side margins, electronic documents, etc. Original documents shall be produced/filed at the time of Admission/Denial, if sought, strictly as per the provisions of the Commercial Courts Act and the Delhi High Court (Original Side) Rules, 2018.

3. Exemption is allowed, subject to all just exceptions. Application is disposed of.

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4. The present petition has been filed under Section 29A of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 by the Petitioner-M/s. Shri Ram



Electrical Works seeking extension of the mandate of the Id. Sole Arbitrator for a period of six months.

5. The petition pertains to an ongoing arbitration proceeding related to a construction project at Sohawal substation, Uttar Pradesh. As per the petition, the Petitioner, who had been awarded the tender for this project in 2014, faced several delays. Disputes arising between the parties led to arbitration, under the aegis of a Id. Sole Arbitrator appointed under Clause 28 of the SCC. The arbitration proceedings began on 17th October, 2020, and the Id. Sole arbitrator's mandate on 28th February, 2023. Consent from both parties led to a six-month extension, expiring on 31st August, 2023. Further extensions were sought by the Petitioner, leading to the present petition, where the Petitioner has again requested an additional six-month extension to continue with the arbitration proceedings.

6. Arbitral proceedings are stated to be at the stage of final arguments. Id. Counsel for the Respondent has no objection to the extension. Accordingly, the mandate of the Id. Sole Arbitrator is extended for a period of six months from 31st May, 2024.

7. The petition is disposed of.

PRATHIBA M. SINGH, J

MAY 13, 2024/dk/dn