



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

ARB-176-2025

Date of Decision: 18.03.2025

M/s. Pritam Chand and Sons

.....Applicant(s)

Versus

Union of India and others

....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present: Ms. Rashika Bansal, Advocate,
for Mr. Dheeraj Mahajan, Advocate,
for the applicant.

Mr. Shobit Phutela, Sr. Panel Counsel,
and Ms. Sanya Kapoor, Advocate,
for the respondents.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. Through instant application under Section 29A of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 (for short '1996 Act'), the applicant is seeking extension of mandate of Arbitrator.
2. The applicant preferred an application under Section 11(6) of 1996 Act seeking appointment of an Arbitrator. By order dated 13.12.2022 (Annexure P-1) of this Court, a Sole Arbitrator was appointed to adjudicate the dispute between the parties. Both the parties appeared before the Arbitrator and filed their claims/counter claims. The mandate of Arbitrator in terms of Section 29A of 1996 Act has expired.
3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that Arbitrator was appointed by this Court, thus, this Court can extend mandate of Arbitrator. Both the parties have filed claims/counter claims and matter is at advance stage.



4. Mr. Shobit Phutela, Sr. Panel Counsel and Ms. Sanya Kapoor, Advocate, who on advance notice are present on behalf of the respondent. They do not dispute the afore-stated factual and legal position as well prayer.

5. In the wake of statement of both sides, the present application is allowed and the mandate of Arbitrator is extended for a period of 6 months from today.

18.03.2025
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(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking	Yes
Whether reportable	No