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

ARB-551-2025

Date of decision: 11.12.2025

PILOT ENGINEERING WORKS**...Applicant(s)****VERSUS****STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS****...Respondent(s)****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI**

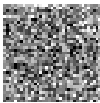
Present:- Mr. Ankit Midha, Advocate for the applicant.

Mr. Raghav Goel, AAG, Punjab.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J. (Oral)

1. The present application has been filed under Section 11(6) of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act') seeking appointment of an independent Arbitrator to adjudicate the disputes and differences which have arisen between the parties.

2. Learned counsel for the applicant submitted that there was an agreement between the parties vide Annexure P-1, which also contains an arbitration clause i.e. Clause 25. He further submitted that even after exhausting the pre-arbitration mechanism, the dispute remains unresolved and the applicant issued a notice invoking the aforesaid arbitration clause vide Annexure P-3 dated 03.08.2025 and since no response was received from the respondent, the present application has been filed seeking appointment of an independent Arbitrator.



3. On the other hand, Mr. Raghav Goel, AAG, Punjab, on instructions from Mr. Yadwinder Singh Rathore, OSD, Litigation, Water and Supply (Irrigation), Punjab, who is present in the Court, submitted that the respondents have no objection in case a Sole Arbitrator is appointed by this Court to adjudicate the disputes and differences which have arisen between the parties.
4. In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances, the present application is allowed. Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Senior Advocate, resident of # 195, Sector-21A, Chandigarh, Mobile No.-9815919521, E-mail ID-adv.gurpreetsingh195@ gmail.com, is nominated as the Sole Arbitrator to adjudicate the dispute between the parties, subject to compliance of statutory provisions including Section 12 of the Act.
5. Parties are directed to appear before the learned Arbitrator on date, time and place to be fixed and communicated by the learned Arbitrator at his convenience.
6. Fee shall be paid to the learned Arbitrator in accordance with the Fourth Schedule of the Arbitration Act, as amended.
7. Learned Arbitrator is also requested to complete the proceedings as per the time limit prescribed under Section 29-A of the Act.
8. A request letter alongwith a copy of the order be sent to Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Senior Advocate.

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

11.12.2025
Chetan Thakur

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No