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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **W.P.(C) 2267/2025**

SAHIL ALLOYS AND MACHINE TOOLSPetitioner

Through: Ms. Harsheen M. Palli, Advocate.

versus

STEEL AUTHORITY OF INDIA LIMITEDRespondent

Through: Mr. Alakh Kumar, Adv.

CORAM:
HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TUSHAR RAO GEDELA

ORDER

% **07.04.2025**

CM APPL. 10699/2025 (for exemption)

1. Allowed, subject to all just exceptions.
2. The application stands disposed of.

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3. Heard the learned counsel for the parties.
4. By invoking our jurisdiction under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, the petitioner has prayed that the respondent/Steel Authority of India Limited ['SAIL'] be directed to enter into a contract for supply and installation of heavy duty CNC lathe machine at Durgapur Steel Plant, with the petitioner in respect of Tender no. 1184 dated 16.09.2024, as the petitioner has been declared to be 'L-1'.
5. The prayer, in fact, is that the respondent may be directed to enter into



the contract for supply of the aforesaid articles without insisting on the petitioner's Bank Guarantee.

6. Learned counsel representing the respondent/SAIL has stated that, in fact, the matter is still under consideration and certain enquiries are being made in certain organization such as Defence Research and Development Organisation ['DRDO']. He has also stated that, in fact, the rates offered by the petitioner is less than the estimated value and accordingly, the additional Bank Guarantee is being demanded from the petitioner to ensure that the supply of the articles concerned is made even at the rate below the estimate rates.

7. Be that as it may, since the final decision is yet to be taken, which is in the process of being finalized, we are not inclined to interfere in this petition at this stage.

8. However, we provide that before arriving at the final decision in the matter an opportunity of hearing shall be provided to the petitioner.

9. The writ petition along with pending application stands disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

DEVENDRA KUMAR UPADHYAYA, CJ

TUSHAR RAO GEDELA, J

APRIL 7, 2025
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