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

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ARB.P. 533/2025 & I.A. 7715/2025

KOTAK MAHINDRA PRIME LTD

.....Petitioner

Through:

versus

PARMITA DEVI & ANR.

.....Respondents

Through:

**CORAM:**

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASMEET SINGH**

**ORDER**

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**02.09.2025**

1. This is a petition filed under Section 11 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 seeking appointment of an Arbitrator for adjudication of disputes between the parties arising out of the Car Finance Agreement dated 24.04.2024.
2. The petitioner sanctioned a car loan to the respondents *vide* the Car Finance Agreement, being No. CF23365084, dated 24.04.2024. The respondent No. 1 is the borrower and the respondent No. 2 is the co-borrower.
3. There is an arbitration clause in the said Agreement, being Clause 32, which reads as under:-

“32. *Arbitration:*

*All disputes, differences and/or claim arising out of these presents or in any way touching or concerning the same or as to constructions, meaning or effect hereof or as to the rights and liabilities of the parties hereunder shall be settled by arbitration to be held in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1995 or any statutory*



*amendments thereof and shall be referred to the arbitration of a sole arbitrator to be nominated by the LENDER in the event of death, refusal, neglect, inability or incapability of a person so appointed to act as an arbitrator, the LENDER may appoint a new arbitrator. The award of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on all parties concerned. The arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in English language and held at the place more particularly mentioned in the SCHEDULE-I of the present agreement hereunder.”*

4. Since there were defaults in making the payments, the petitioner invoked arbitration *vide* legal notice dated 03.12.2024.
5. I am satisfied that there exists a valid arbitration clause and there are dispute between the parties which need to be adjudicated through the arbitral mechanism.
6. For the said reasons, the petition is allowed and the following directions are issued:-
  - i) Mr. Robin George, Advocate (Mob. No. 9910754233) is appointed as a Sole Arbitrator to adjudicate the disputes between the parties.
  - ii) The arbitration will be held under the aegis and rules of the Delhi International Arbitration Centre, Delhi High Court, Sher Shah Road, New Delhi (hereinafter, referred to as the ‘DIAC’).
  - iii) The remuneration of the learned Arbitrator shall be in terms of DIAC (Administrative Cost and Arbitrators’ Fees) Rules, 2018.
  - iv) The learned Arbitrator is requested to furnish a declaration in terms of Section 12 of the Act prior to entering into the



reference.

- v) It is made clear that all the rights and contentions of the parties, including as to the arbitrability of any of the claim, any other preliminary objection, as well as claims/counter-claims and merits of the dispute of either of the parties, are left open for adjudication by the learned arbitrator.
  - vi) The parties shall approach the learned Arbitrator within two weeks from today.
7. The present petition is disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

**JASMEET SINGH, J**

**SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 / (MS)**