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

+ **O.M.P.(MISC.)(COMM.) 48/2025**

JASRATI EDUCATION SOLUTIONS LIMITEDPetitioner

Through: Mr. Shashank Agarwal and Mr.
Abhishek Taneja, Advocates.

versus

WESTERN EDUCATION SOCIETY & ANR.Respondents

Through: Ms. Sandeep Bajaj, Ms. Aakanksha
Nehra, Mr. Chaitanya Mehta and Ms.
Arushi Vig, Advocates.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBRAMONIUM PRASAD

ORDER

% **17.01.2025**

I.A. 1205/2025 (Exemption)

Allowed, subject to all just exceptions.

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1. This is a petition under Section 29A (4) & (5) of the Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996 seeking extension of mandate of the Arbitral Tribunal for making the arbitral award.
2. Material on record discloses that to adjudicate on the disputes between the parties, this Court *vide* Order dated 12.01.2017 in ARB.P.510/2016 appointed Justice V.B. Gupta, Former Judge of Delhi High Court, as the sole arbitrator to adjudicate upon the disputes between the parties. The mandate of the learned Arbitrator was extended from time to time. The last such extension was granted by this Court *vide* Order dated 03.04.2024 by which the mandate of the learned Sole Arbitrator was



extended till 31.12.2024. The Petitioner has, therefore, approached this Court for extension of time for making the award.

3. The Apex Court in Rohan Builders (India) Private Limited v. Berger Paints India Limited, **2024 SCC OnLine SC 2494**, has held that an application for extension of the time period for passing an arbitral award under Section 29A(4) read with Section 29A(5) is maintainable even after the expiry of the twelve-month or the extended six-month period, as the case may be.

4. In view of the fact that the matter is at the advance stage, this Court is inclined to extend the mandate of the Arbitral Tribunal till 31.12.2025 with effect from 31.12.2024 so that the Award can be pronounced and no further extension of time would be required by the Tribunal.

5. The petition is disposed of along with the pending applications, if any.

SUBRAMONIUM PRASAD, J

JANUARY 17, 2025

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