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ORDER SHEET

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
COMMERCIAL DIVISION
ORIGINAL SIDE

AP-COM/60/2026

GOLAM KIBRIA
VS
ITI LIMITED

BEFORE:
THE HON'BLE JUSTICE GAURANG KANTH
Date: 3rd February, 2026.

Appearance:

Mr. Subhankar Nag, Adv.
Mr. Tanweer Jamil Mandal, Adv.
Mr. Somashree Dey, Adv.
...for the appellant

Mr. Emon Bhattacharya, Adv.
Mr. Rachit Lakhmani, Adv.
...for the respondent

The Court: The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 29A of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, seeking extension of the mandate of the arbitral tribunal for conclusion of the arbitral proceedings and publication of the arbitral award.

Learned Counsel for the appellant submits that this Court vide order dated 16th May, 2023 appointed a learned sole arbitrator to adjudicate the disputes between the parties. The pleadings were completed on 18th October, 2023. Thereafter, with the consent of the parties the mandate of the arbitral tribunal was extended by six months. Subsequently, this Court vide order dated 15th May, 2025, further extended the mandate of the arbitral tribunal by eight months till 22nd December, 2025.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that the arbitral proceedings are at an advance stage.

Learned Counsel for the respondent states that he has no objection to the extension of the mandate of the arbitral tribunal.

Upon consideration of the submissions of the parties and the materials placed on record, this Court is satisfied that there has been no undue and unwarranted delay on the part of the learned sole arbitrator in conducting the proceedings.

Having regard to the advanced stage of the proceedings and in the interest of justice, the mandate of the arbitral tribunal is extended further for a period of six months from today.

The learned sole arbitrator is requested to make all reasonable endeavours to conclude the arbitral proceedings and publish the arbitral award within the extended time period.

With the aforesaid observations, the present petition stands disposed of.

(GAURANG KANTH, J.)