

ORDER SHEET

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
COMMERCIAL DIVISION
ORIGINAL SIDE

AP-COM/205/2026

PARTHA PRATIM BANERJEE AND ANOTHER
VS
SATYA NARAYAN JAISWAL AND OTHERS

BEFORE:

The Hon'ble JUSTICE GAURANG KANTH

Date : 20th April, 2026.

Appearance:

Mr. Biswaroop Mukherjee, Adv.
Mr. Avijit Dey, Adv.
...for the petitioner

Mr. Anirban Roy, Adv.
Mr. Debjit Basu, Adv.
...for respondent no.1

Ms. Rashmi Choudhary, Adv.
...for respondent no.2

The Court: Affidavit of service is taken on record.

The petitioner has preferred the present petition under Section 29A of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, seeking extension of the mandate of the Arbitral Tribunal for completion of the arbitral proceedings and publication of the arbitral award.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that this Court vide order dated 14.03.2023 appointed the sole Arbitrator to adjudicate the disputes between the parties. The pleadings were completed on 19.03.2025. It is further contended that the learned Advocate on record for the petitioners has addressed an email dated 09.03.2026 proposing that the mandate of the

learned arbitrator be extended but till now, none of the contesting parties has intimated its consent to such proposal. Since the mandate of the Tribunal expired on 18.03.2026, the petitioner has filed the present application seeking extension of the mandate of the Arbitral Tribunal. Learned Counsel for the petitioner further submits that the matter is at the stage of recording of evidence. He further states that the Tribunal has conducted more than 32 hearings.

Learned Counsels appearing for the respondent no.1 as well as respondent no.2 state that they have no objection to the extension of the mandate of the Arbitral Tribunal. The respondent no.3 is a company and the Directors are represented herein.

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

Having regard to the stage of the proceedings and in order to ensure expeditious conclusion of the arbitration, the mandate of the learned sole Arbitrator is extended further for a period of eight 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.)