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IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
ORIGINAL SIDE

AP/57/2026

MUKESH KUMAR SONY

VS

AMBUJA HOUSING AND URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE COMPANY LIMITED

BEFORE

HON'BLE JUSTICE GAURANG KANTH

Date: April 21, 2026.

Appearance:-

Mr. Sujit Banerjee, Adv.

Mr. Nilay Sengupta, Adv.

Mr. M. Gupta, Adv.

...for petitioner.

Mr. Suddhasatva Banerjee, Adv.

Mr. Joydeep Guha, Adv.

...for respondent.

The Court:- 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 conclusion of the arbitral proceedings and publication of the arbitral award.

This Court, vide order dated 20.11.2023, appointed a learned arbitrator to adjudicate the disputes between the parties. The pleadings were completed on 16.04.2024. Subsequently, with the consent of the parties, the mandate of the arbitral tribunal was further extended for a period of six months till 16.10.2025.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that 14 sittings have been held by the learned arbitrator. The matter is presently at the stage of recording of evidence of the respondent's witness.

Learned counsel for the respondent states that the respondent 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 or unwarranted delay on the part of the learned sole arbitrator in conducting the arbitral proceedings. Having regard to the advanced stage of the proceedings and in the interest of justice, the mandate of the learned sole arbitrator is extended for a further 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 above directions, the present petition stands disposed of.

(GAURANG KANTH, J.)