

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
ARBITRATION PETITION NO. 35 OF 2025
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 13838 OF 2025
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION (ST) NO. 134 OF 2026
IN
ARBITRATION PETITION NO. 35 OF 2025
WITH
COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION PETITION (ST) NO.35541 OF 2025

Hariom Projects Private Limited ...Petitioner

Versus

Union Of India ...Respondent

Mr. Shyam Dewani, a/w Sahil Dewani, Sachet Makhija, Dashang Doshi, for the Appellant.

Mr. Rajsekhar Govilkar, a/w Apurva Gupte, Aamir Qureshi, Krishnakant Deshmukh, for Respondent.

CORAM : SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN, J.

DATE : JANUARY 12, 2026

ORDER :

1. Having heard the parties it is considered appropriate to enable the Respondent to file an affidavit in reply dealing with the contentions sought to be made across the bar about the quality of workmanship of the Petitioner. Let such affidavit be filed no later than January 14, 2026. Rejoinder, if any, shall be filed by January 17, 2026.

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2. Stand over to ***January 19, 2026***. *Status quo* arrangement obtaining as of today shall continue until the next date.
3. After this order was dictated, it was put to the parties to consider proceeding to an arbitrator forthwith, so that the arbitrator could examine the factual facets of the matter and come up with an appropriate working arrangement between the parties.
4. Learned Advocate for the parties have consensus on arriving at the identity of the arbitrator by tomorrow morning, i.e. January 13, 2026.
5. In these circumstances, stand over to ***January 13, 2026***.
6. All actions required to be taken pursuant to this order shall be taken upon receipt of a downloaded copy as available on this Court's website.

[SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN, J.]