

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

**INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 258 OF 2026
IN
ARBITRATION APPEAL (ST) NO. 33502 OF 2025**

Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. ...Applicant

Versus

Jaspal Singh Gujral ...Respondent

Dr. V.V. Tuljapurkar, a/w S.R. Raje, for the Applicant.

Appearance not received for Respondent.

CORAM : SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN, J.

DATE : May 4, 2026

ORDER :

1. Interim Application No.258 of 2026 is an Application seeking condonation of delay. For the reasons set out therein, the delay is condoned.

2. Issue notice in the Appeal, returnable on June 12, 2026. Although the service is already effected as *bona fide*, the affidavit of service dated January 30, 2026 is tendered across the Bar. One more opportunity is given to the Respondent to present its say in respect of this Appeal filed pursuant to the rejection of a challenge under Section 8 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.

3. Stand over to ***June 12, 2026.***
4. 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.]