

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
ARBITRATION PETITION (L) NO. 5178 OF 2026

R J Shah and Co. Ltd.

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Maharashtra

...Respondent

Mr. Gobinda C. Mohanty , *for the Petitioner.*

Mr. Himanshu B. Takke, AGP, *for the State.*

CORAM : SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN, J.

DATE : FEBRUARY 20, 2026

ORDER :

1. This is a Petition under Section 29A of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, seeking an extension of mandate of the Learned Arbitral Tribunal, which expired on January 31, 2026.

2. Today, when the matter is called out, Learned Counsel for the parties jointly request for an extension of mandate by a period of four months, bearing in mind the stage at which the arbitral proceedings are placed.

3. In these circumstances, taking into account the stage at

which the arbitral proceedings are placed, this Petition is ***finally disposed of*** extending the mandate of the Learned Arbitral Tribunal for a period of ***four months***, rounding it up until ***June 30, 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.]