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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

ARB-69-2026(O&M)
Date of Decision: 05.03.2026

(1)
M/S JINDAL VIDYUT PRODUCTS PVT LIMITED
....Petitioner(s)

Versus

PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LTD AND ANOTHER
.....Respondent(s)

ARB-85-2026(O&M)

(2)
M/S JINDAL VIDYUT PRODUCTS PVT LIMITED
....Petitioner(s)

Versus

PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LTD AND ANOTHER
.....Respondent(s)

ARB-86-2026(O&M)

(3)
M/S JINDAL VIDYUT PRODUCTS PVT LIMITED
....Petitioner(s)

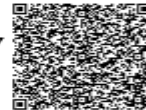
Versus

PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LTD AND ANOTHER
.....Respondent(s)

ARB-87-2026(O&M)

(4)
M/S JINDAL VIDYUT PRODUCTS PVT LIMITED
....Petitioner(s)

Versus



PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LTD AND ANOTHER

.....Respondent(s)

ARB-89-2026(O&M)

(5)

M/S JINDAL VIDYUT PRODUCTS PVT LIMITED

....Petitioner(s)

Versus

PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LTD AND ANOTHER

.....Respondent(s)

ARB-103-2026(O&M)

(6)

M/S JINDAL VIDYUT PRODUCTS PVT LIMITED

....Petitioner(s)

Versus

PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LTD AND ANOTHER

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

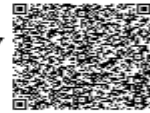
**Present: Mr. D.S. Bhinder, Advocate,
for the petitioner.**

**Mr. Somesh Arora, Advocate,
for the respondent/PSPCL in ARB-103-2026.
(Through Video Conferencing).**

**Mr. Pradeep Sharma, Advocate,
for the respondent/PSPCL in remaining cases.**

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J. (Oral)

1. All the six petitions are taken up together for final disposal.



2. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submitted that in all the cases parties are the same and the nature of agreement pertains to supply of transformers to the respondents which is also the same, although by way of different agreements/purchase orders. He submitted that there exists an arbitration clause in all the aforesaid agreements/purchase orders, which provides that if at any time any dispute or difference between the parties arises, the same shall be referred for sole arbitration of a nominee of the respondents. He submitted that an Arbitrator cannot be appointed unilaterally as it is not permissible under the law and therefore, any independent Sole Arbitrator may be appointed by this Court. He submitted that in all the petitions notice was issued under Section 21 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act') for invocation of the aforesaid arbitration clause and for appointment of any independent Sole Arbitrator but the same was not accepted by the respondents and since the mechanism has failed, the present petitions have been filed under Section 11 of the Act for appointment of Arbitrator. He also submitted that although there is no mother agreement with regard to the purchase orders, still an independent Sole Arbitrator may be appointed for all the cases because the nature of the contract is the same and therefore for all the six purchase orders separate Arbitral Tribunal may be constituted consisting of the same Sole Arbitrator.

3. On the other hand, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondents/PSPCL submitted that he has sought instructions from Er. Poras Mehta, who is also present in the Court to submit that the respondents/PSPCL has got no objections in case any independent Sole Arbitrator is appointed by this Court since there is no dispute with regard to

existence of the agreement containing the arbitration clause and invocation thereof by issuance of a notice.

4. Mr. Somesh Arora, Advocate also appeared on behalf of the respondents/PSPCL in one of the cases i.e. *ARB-103-2026* and submitted that he has instructions to state that any independent Sole Arbitrator may be appointed by this Court and six separate Arbitral Tribunals may be constituted consisting of the same Sole Arbitrator.

5. In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances, this Court deems it fit and proper to appoint a single Arbitrator to constitute six separate Arbitral Tribunals for each purchase order. Details of the aforesaid purchase orders are tabulated hereinunder:

Sr.No.	Purchase Order No.	Dated
1.	H-12032/Q-3901/PO(T)/PSPCL	06.01.2014
2.	HD-097/Q-3931/PO(T)/PSPCL	15.07.2015
3.	HD-395/Q-3961-A/PO(T)/PSPCL	06.09.2017
4.	HD-408/Q3964-A/PO(T)/PSPCL	21.11.2017
5.	HD-415/Q3962-A/PO(T)/PSPCL	19.12.2017
6.	HD-455/Q-3968A/PO(T)/PSPCL	23.07.2018

However, it is made clear that the aforesaid learned Sole Arbitrator appointed shall remain the same in all the six arbitral proceedings.

6. Consequently, all the six petitions are allowed. Hon'ble Ms. Justice Navita Singh, a former Judge of this Court, resident of Flat No.309, 9th Floor, Jaishree Towers, Swastik Vihar, Mansa Devi Complex, Sector 5, Panchkula, Mobile No. 8558809911, is nominated as the Sole Arbitrator to adjudicate the dispute between the parties, subject to compliance of statutory provisions including Section 12 of the Act.

7. Parties are directed to appear before the learned Arbitrator on date, time and place to be fixed and communicated by the learned Arbitrator at her convenience.
8. Fee shall be paid to the learned Arbitrator in accordance with the Fourth Schedule of the Arbitration Act, as amended.
9. Learned Arbitrator is also requested to complete the proceedings as per the time limit prescribed under Section 29-A of the Act.
10. A request letter alongwith a copy of the order be sent to Hon'ble Ms. Justice Navita Singh, a former Judge of this Court.

05.03.2026

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JUDGE

Whether speaking : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No