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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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Date of Decision: 09.09.2025

M/s R.S. Constructions

...Applicant

Versus

Union of India

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present: - Mr. Jatin Bansal, Advocate and
Ms. Kerti Sandhu, Advocate for the applicant
Mr. Himanshu Bindal, Senior Panel Counsel
for Union of India-respondent

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. Through instant application under Section 11 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 (for short '1996 Act'), the applicant is seeking appointment of an Arbitrator.
2. The applicant was awarded work by the respondent vide letter dated 24.03.2018. A dispute erupted between the parties. There is an arbitration clause in the General Conditions of Contract. The applicant served notice upon the respondent seeking resolution of dispute through Arbitral Tribunal but to no avail.
3. Learned counsel for the respondent expressed his inability to controvert existence of arbitration clause in General Conditions of Contract and service of notice.
4. Conditions to invoke power conferred by Section 11(6) of 1996 Act stand satisfied, thus, I hereby appoint a Sole Arbitrator to adjudicate the dispute between the parties.



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5. Mr. Rajinder Kumar Goyal, former Chief Engineer, Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board & Former Member, State Consumer Commission, Punjab, residing at House No.1317, Sector 18-C, Chandigarh-160018, Mobile No. 9646786980 is hereby appointed as a Sole Arbitrator to adjudicate the dispute between the parties, subject to compliance of statutory requirements. The learned Arbitrator is requested to comply with mandate of Section 12 of 1996 Act before proceeding further.

6. The parties at the first instance will appear before the Arbitrator on 24.09.2025 at 10:00 AM and thereafter, as directed by learned Arbitrator.

7. The Arbitrator shall be paid fee in accordance with the Fourth Schedule of the 1996 Act, as amended.

8. The Arbitrator is requested to complete the proceedings as per time limit specified under Section 29-A of the 1996 Act.

9. Needless to mention, parties would be at liberty to raise all the claims/defences/counter claims/pleas before the Arbitrator. Any observation made hereinabove will not be binding on the learned Arbitrator.

10. A request letter along with copy of this order be sent to Mr. Rajinder Kumar Goyal.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

09.09.2025

Mohit Kumar

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No