

5 Ex.COMM - Award by Arb. Comm. 8/25
Center For Research Planning And Action Cerpa Vs. National
Medicinal Plants Board Ministry of Ayush Government of India

14.03.2026 (At 10:15 AM)

File is taken up today as per directions of Hon'ble Delhi High Court vide notification no. 64/G-4/Genl.-I/DHC dated 27.02.2026, as 02.03.2026 was declared holiday.

Present: Sh. Ravi Prakash, Ld. counsel for Award Holder.
Sh. B. C. Bhatt, Ld. counsel for Award Debtor along with
Ms. Shalini Sharma, Legal Consultant, Dr. Santosh
Kumar Sharma, Domain Expert and Dr. Chinmay Rath,
Research Officer.

One application has been filed on behalf of Award
Debtor department thereby seeking waiver of the cost.

Heard and perused.

Even on this day, Award Debtor department has not
come up to tender the complete remaining amount, which is left to be
paid on account of difference in the interest amount and applicable
GST on the amount of interest. Only Rs. 2,381/- has been tendered in
cash, submitting that this is the final amount towards the difference
in the amount of interest. The amount on account of GST on the
interest amount has not been paid. No particular provision has been
shown to establish that such GST is not applicable on the interest
amount. Though, as per Section 15(2)(d) of CGST Act, 2017, GST is
payable even on the interest component or delayed payment. Thus, it
is well apparent that Award Debtor department is still working on the
basis of hunches and self-created notions without bothering to look
into the rules and laws and to make the calculation properly.

In these circumstances, there cannot be any question to
waive the cost, rather matter is being passed over till 02:00 pm, giving

last opportunity to the Award Debtor to either tender the complete remaining amount or this court shall have to take further coercive actions.

The available coercive actions have been well informed to the officials of the Award Debtor, and this is further unfortunate to note that the AR of Award Debtor does not appear, rather some different officials are sent before the court.

(Pulastya Pramachala)
District Judge (Commercial Court-01),
Patiala House Courts Complex,
New Delhi/14.03.2026

At 02:00 PM

Present: Sh. Ravi Prakash, Ld. counsel for Award Holder.
Sh. B. C. Bhatt, Ld. counsel for Award Debtor along with Ms. Shalini Sharma, Legal Consultant, Dr. Santosh Kumar Sharma, Domain Expert and Dr. Chinmay Rath, Research Officer.

Ld. counsel for Award Holder and Ms. Shalini Sharma jointly submitted that process on urgent basis has been initiated in the department and remaining payment shall be done by 17.03.2026. Ld. counsel for Award Debtor agrees to receive the remaining amount by 17.03.2026.

Put up on 17.03.2026.

(Pulastya Pramachala)
District Judge (Commercial Court-01),
Patiala House Courts Complex,
New Delhi/14.03.2026