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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C) 11260/2023**

ANKUR RANA AND ORS

.....Petitioner

Through: Counsel (appearance not given).

versus

HIGH COURT OF DELHI & ORS.

.....Respondent

Through: Ms. Shubham Mahajan, Advocate
for R-1.

Dr. Amit George, Mr. Adhishwar
Suri, Mr. Dushyant Kishan Kaul
and Ms. Rupam Jha, Advocates for
R-2.

Ms. Shruti Sharma and Mr.
Nishant Kandpal, Advocates for
R-3.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRATEEK JALAN

ORDER

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29.05.2025

CM APPL. 34727/2025 (for directions)

1. The petitioners, who are working in the establishment of Delhi International Arbitration Centre ["DIAC"], have filed the captioned writ petition for directions that they should work under the control and employment of DIAC and the Delhi High Court, in continuation of their past service.
2. While the writ petition remains pending for adjudication, they have filed this application to bring to notice of the Court, that they have now been asked to enter into arrangements with a consulting/manpower



agency by the name of National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology [“NIELIT”].

3. In paragraph 11 of the application, the petitioners have made it clear that they are willing to enter into such contractual arrangements with NIELIT, but seek a clarification that this would not prejudice their rights in the present writ petition.

4. Dr. Amit George, learned counsel for DIAC, accepts this position, and states that one of the petitioners [petitioner No. 4] has already made an arrangement on such basis. He submits that the petitioners are required to execute an agreement and an indemnity bond.

5. In view of the aforesaid, the petitioners are permitted to enter into contractual arrangements as aforesaid, with NIELIT, without prejudice to the rights and contentions of the parties in this writ petition.

6. The petitioners have made an additional prayer that their salaries for the month of April and May 2025, be released.

7. Dr. George states that DIAC will coordinate with NIELIT to ensure that the salaries of the petitioners are released within two weeks, subject to the petitioner’s entering into such agreements and indemnity bonds.

8. Dr. George however submits that the factual contents of the application are not admitted. The said submission is taken on record.

9. The application is disposed of in these terms.

PRATEEK JALAN, J

MAY 29, 2025

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