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

+ **ARB.P. 2101/2025**

**INDIA TRADE PROMOTION ORGANISATION (I.T.P.O.)**

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Jasbir Bidhuri and Mr. Aditya  
Mani Sharma, Advs.

versus

**M/S ORIENT MARINE LINES PVT LTD**

.....Respondent

Through:

**CORAM:**

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBRAMONIUM PRASAD**

**ORDER**

**19.12.2025**

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1. This is a Petition under Section 11(6) of the Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996, for appointment of an Arbitrator to adjudicate the disputes between the parties.
2. The Petitioner/ITPO invited tender for empanelment of five Custom House Agents (CHAs) for a period w.e.f. 01.10.2018 to 30.09.2020. It is stated that five bidders were selected for the purposes of empanelment and an empanelment agreement was signed between the parties on 11.10.2018. The Respondent herein was one of the five selected bidders.
3. It is stated that since there were defaults in the payment of empanelment fee, the agreement was not extended and was therefore terminated on 29.09.2021.
4. It is stated that a legal notice was issued by the Petitioner to the



Respondent on 26.05.2023. Time was sought by the Respondent to reply to the said notice. On 21.10.2023, a Notice under Section 21, invoking arbitration, was issued by the Petitioner which was replied by the Respondent on 21.11.2023.

5. In view of the fact that the empanelment was made in Delhi, the work was executed in Delhi and the arbitration clause provides for the venue of arbitration in Delhi, this Court will have the jurisdiction to entertain this Petition.

6. Issue notice.

7. On taking steps, let notice be issued to the Respondent through all permissible modes.

8. List on 19.02.2026.

**SUBRAMONIUM PRASAD, J**

**DECEMBER 19, 2025**

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