

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 6715 of 2025**

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PMP INFRATACK LIMITED
Versus
OIL AND NATURAL GAS LIMITED & ORS.

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Appearance:

BHOOMI M THAKORE(6237) for the Petitioner(s) No. 1
MR. HARSH K THAKAR(7172) for the Petitioner(s) No. 1
MR UNMESH SHUKLA, SR. ADV. with MR RITURAJ M MEENA(3224) for
the Respondent(s) No. 1,2,3

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.S.SANJAY GOWDA
and
HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE J. L. ODEDRA

Date : 08/05/2026

ORAL ORDER
(PER : HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.S.SANJAY GOWDA)

1. An order to banning by the Oil and Natural Gas Limited (ONGC) is called in question in this writ petition.
2. It is not in dispute that the order of banning was solely because the contract that the petitioner entered into with ONGC had been terminated and the termination of a contract was by itself a sufficient ground for banning a contractor.
3. It is now admitted by both the learned Senior Counsel that during pending the pendency of the writ petition, the dispute between the parties had been referred to

Arbitration and an arbitral award has been passed, in which it is held that the termination of the contract was improper.

4. Learned Senior Counsel for the petitioner submits that as a matter of fact, the award of Rs. 200,000/- is ordered in favour of the petitioner.
5. Learned Senior Counsel appearing for ONGC submits that the ONGC is contemplating challenging the award and he also seeks to argue that there was an immense delay on the part of the petitioner in executing the award and, therefore, the order of banning should not be interfered with.
6. In our view, since the order of banning the petitioner was solely based on termination and now that the termination has been held to be bad by the arbitral Tribunal, the order of banning the petitioner cannot be sustained.
7. Accordingly, the impugned order is quashed. Petition stands allowed accordingly.

(N.S.SANJAY GOWDA,J)

(J. L. ODEDRA, J)

SUDHIR