
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

ARBITRATION APPEAL (ST) NO.37045 OF 2025

M/s Agrawal Foodstuff LLPAppellant.
Versus
The Land Acquisition Officer
And Dy. Collector General AdministrationRespondent

Mr. Vivek Punjabi *a/w. Tarak Shah, for Appellant.*

CORAM: SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN, J.

DATE : FEBRUARY 27, 2026

ORDER :

1. This is an Appeal filed under Section 37 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 (“*the Act*”).
2. The short question that falls for consideration is whether the Section 34 Court is right for setting aside the Arbitral Award on the premise that the compensation payable for agricultural land has been awarded by the arbitrator for land that is admittedly classified as non-agricultural land.
3. Learned Counsel for the parties have graciously agreed that both the Appellant and Respondent shall take not more than **20 minutes each** for verbal arguments in the matter.

4. Towards this end, the parties shall file a short Note on Submissions, not exceeding five pages, along with page and case law references, setting out the manner in which the points canvassed by them ought to be accepted by this Court.

5. It is made clear that the time commitments made above shall bind the parties, and such time shall be utilized at the discretion of the Learned Counsel for verbalizing the pivotal submissions, resting assured that the rest of their contentions from their Note on Submissions, would be dealt with by the Court.

6. With the aforesaid commitments, stand over to ***March 26, 2026***, for ***“Final Hearing-Section 37”***.

7. All actions required to be taken pursuant to this order shall be taken upon receipt of a downloaded copy as available on this Court’s website.

[SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN, J.]