

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

MISCELLANEOUS APPLICATION NOS.248-250/2026
(@MISCELLANEOUS APPLICATION Diary No.1916/2026)

&

MISCELLANEOUS APPLICATION NOS.251-253/2026
(@MISCELLANEOUS APPLICATION Diary No.3786/2026)

IN

CIVIL APPEAL NOS.14260-14262/2025

POPULAR CATERERS

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

AMEET MEHTA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

O R D E R

1. Delay condoned.

2. By our Order dated 18-11-2025, we had directed the respondents to deposit the principal amount of Rs.4,00,000,00/- (Rupees Four Crore only) with the Prothonotary and Senior Master, Original Side, Bombay High Court within a period of eight weeks from the date of the order.

3. We also clarified in our Order that the Section 34 application preferred by the respondents under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 would be heard on its own merits, without being influenced in any manner by the fact that we thought fit not to disturb the Order which was impugned before us.

4. We further clarified that once the principal amount of Rs.4,00,00,000/- (Rupees Four Crore only) is deposited within the time stipulated, the Registry of the High Court shall invest the

same by way of fixed deposit in an interest-bearing account in any Nationalized Bank with auto-renewal facility initially for a period of six weeks and in the last, we made it clear that the stay as regards the execution of the arbitral award would be subject to the deposit of the principal amount of Rs.4,00,00,000/-

5. Today, we have two interim applications before us. These interim applications have been preferred by four of the original five respondents. This amount of Rs.4,00,00,000/- was to be deposited jointly and severally.

6. Eight weeks' time period granted by us has already lapsed. The amount has not been deposited so far. By way of these two interim applications, it is prayed that some more time may be granted and the Respondents may be permitted to deposit the amount as per their liability pro-rata.

7. Ms. Nina Nariman, the learned counsel appearing for some of the respondents would submit that her clients are ready and willing to deposit Rs.1,34,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore and Thirty Four Lakh only) and Ms. Vidhi Pankaj Thaker, the learned counsel submits that her clients are ready and willing to deposit Rs.1,34,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore and Thirty Four Lakh only).

8. The aforesaid is suggestive of the fact that the applicants before us are ready and willing to deposit Rs.2,68,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore and Sixty Eight Lakh only) on pro-rata basis within a period of four weeks from today.

9. We grant four weeks' time to deposit this amount of Rs.2,68,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore and Sixty Eight Lakh Only) with the Prothonotary and Senior Master, Original Side, Bombay High

Court. The Prothonotary and Senior Master, Original Side, Bombay High Court shall accept this amount of Rs.2,68,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore and Sixty Eight Lakh Only) if deposited within a period of four weeks from today.

10. Even with the deposit of Rs.2,68,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore and Sixty Eight Lakh Only), the balance amount of Rs.1,32,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore and Thirty Two Lakh only) would remain outstanding. Insofar as the balance amount is concerned, we grant four weeks' time to deposit the amount.

11. If the applicants would like to deposit the amount of Rs.2,68,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore and Sixty Eight Lakh Only) within a period of four weeks in installments, they may do so.

12. We make it clear that within a period of four weeks from today, if the amount of Rs.4,00,000,00/- as directed by us is not deposited, it shall be open for the client of Mr. Gaurav Srivastava, the original petitioner, to proceed further with the execution of the award.

13. With the aforesaid, these two Applications and Miscellaneous Applications stand disposed of.

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(J.B. PARDIWALA)

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(K.V. VISWANATHAN)

NEW DELHI;
3RD FEBRUARY, 2026.

ITEM NO.32

COURT NO.7

SECTION III

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G SMISCELLANEOUS APPLICATION Diary No.1916/2026 IN C.A. No.14260/2025,
C.A. No.14261/2025 AND C.A. No.14262/2025

POPULAR CATERERS

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

AMEET MEHTA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 25194/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING MA AND IA
No. 11543/2026 - EXTENSION OF TIME)

WITH

Diary No.3786/2026 (III)

(IA No. 21195/2026 - EXTENSION OF TIME)

Date : 03-02-2026 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE J.B. PARDIWALA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.V. VISWANATHAN

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. Delay condoned.
2. Interlocutory Applications and Miscellaneous Applications stand disposed of, in terms of the signed order.
3. Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed of.

(VISHAL ANAND)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(Signed Order is placed on the file)

(POOJA SHARMA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)