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Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No.32829/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 10-07-2026 in WA No.1913/2025 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Madras]

AIRPORT AUTHORITY OF INDIA

Petitioner

VERSUS

GOLDAIR INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED

Respondent

FOR ADMISSION

Date : 28-09-2026 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DIPANKAR DATTA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. N. Venkatraman, A.S.G.
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For Respondent(s) : Ms. Amrita Narayan, Adv.
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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. Having heard Mr. N. Venkatraman, learned Additional Solicitor General for the petitioner and Ms. Amrita Narayan, learned counsel for the respondent, we are of the considered opinion that no useful purpose would be served by keeping the special leave petition pending. Though Request for Proposal¹ was filed as far back as on 21st October, 2024, grant of concession for ground handling services at Vijaywada Airport has been stalled for almost two years

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because of the writ proceedings, which were pending before the High Court, and where the respondent has now emerged successful in obtaining a declaration that its technical bid was erroneously regarded as non-responsive; hence, its financial bid should be considered.

2. We think, it would be in the better interest of all stakeholders including the public at large if a fresh Request for Proposal is now issued by the petitioner with simpler and comprehensible terms to obviate any further complication in future with regard to understanding of what the petitioner precisely requires of the bidders.

3. We have also borne in mind that no right of any bidder has accrued till now, which would stand impaired by reason of the order that this Court proposes to pass as above.

4. Having regard to the above, we grant liberty to the petitioner to scrap the Request for Proposal and to proceed afresh in accordance with law.

5. If eligible, in terms of the fresh Request for Proposal, the respondent shall be at liberty to offer its bid.

6. On the above terms, the special leave petition is disposed of.

7. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand closed.

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