

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

Arbitration Petition No.156 of 2026

M/s. Vidarbha Infotech Pvt. Ltd. ... Petitioner
V/s.
The State of Maharashtra ... Respondents.

Mr. Pankaj D. Purway a/w. Shubham Yadav and Raju Yadav	Advocate for the Petitioner
Mr. A.R. Patil	Addl. G.P. for the State.

CORAM : S.M. MODAK, J

DATE : 24th September 2026.

P.C. :

1. Heard learned Advocate for the Petitioner and learned AGP.
2. As per the order dated 19th October 2022, two former Judges of this Court are appointed as Arbitrator with direction that they will appoint the presiding Arbitrator and Justice R.M.Sawant (Retired) is appointed as a presiding Arbitrator. The mandate for arbitration was lastly extended as per the order dated 11th December 2025. The mandate has expired on 1st August 2026. There is an email sent by the Petitioner to the Respondent informing that mandate has expired that is why the present petition for extension of the mandate.
3. About the stage of the arbitration proceedings it is submitted

that Petitioner has already advanced final arguments. The extension of mandate sought is upto 1st May 2027. In view of that, let mandate be extended till 1st May 2027.

4. Arbitration Petition is disposed of.

(S.M. MODAK, J.)