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                  SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
                          RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
  Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C)
                                              No(s).
                                                       3885-3887/2014
  (Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 17/07/2013
  in AA No. 16/2012, CA No. 46/2012 and CA No. 47/2012 passed by the
  High Court of Bombay at Nagpur)
  ACB LTD
                                   VERSUS
  MAHARASHTRA STATE POWER GEN. CO. LTD&ORS
                                                     Respondent(s)
  (For final disposal)
  WITH
  SLP(C) No. 3219/2014
  (With Interim Relief and Office Report)
    SLP(C) No. 3385/2014
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    SLP(C) No. 3905-3906/2014
  (With Office Report)
    SLP(C) No. 3907-3908/2014
  (With Office Report)
    SLP(C) No. 3909-3911/2014
  (With Office Report)
  Date: 15/09/2016 These petitions were called on for hearing today.
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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following O R D E R $\,$

Heard Dr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi, learned senior counsel for the petitioner and Ms. Vibha Datta Makhija, learned senior counsel for the respondent.

In course of hearing of these special leave petitions,

we have been apprised that the sole Arbitrator has been appointed by the Court on 12 th

March, 2014, and the

learned Arbitrator has proceeded in the matter and is likely to finalise the proceedings within a short span of time.

Learned counsel appearing for both the sides agreed that the respondent, namely, Maharashtra State Power

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Generation Co. Limited and its functionaries can obtain 40% of the bank guarantees and the learned Arbitrator should be directed to dispose of the arbitration proceedings in quite promptitude. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, however added, if the respondent take the 40% of the value of the bank guarantees, it should be without prejudice to the claim raised before the arbitration proceedings.

Having regard to the aforesaid submissions, it is

directed as follows:-

(a) The respective banks shall release 40% of the amount of the concerned bank guarantees in favour of the respondents-Corporation within a week hence.

(b) The rest of the amount may be covered by a fresh bank guarantee by the contractors/petitioners within

two weeks from today and the said bank guarantees shall be kept alive by the contractors till final award is passed by the learned Arbitrator.

(c) The learned Arbitrator is directed to dispose of

he matter finally and pass the award in the

arbitration proceedings by end of February, 2017. (d) The learned Arbitrator shall not be influenced by this interim arrangement as it has been done the basis of concession. He shall adjudicate with on regard to the claim pertaining to bank guarantees on its own merits.

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(e) Both the parties shall co-operate in the arbitral proceedings and not seek unnecessary adjournment. Recording such concession and issuing the aforesaid directions, the special leave petitions stand disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

(H.S.PARASHER) (SAPNA BISHT) SR. P.A. COURT MASTER