OFFICE OF ESTATE OFFICER, PRAGATI MAIDAN, NEW DELHI

In the matter of:

India Trade Promotion Organisation

....Petitioner

Vs.

M/s. Bhayana Tents & Decorators

...Respondent

<u>Present:</u> Mr. Saksham and Mr. Raghav Mehdiratta , counsels for the respondent

Mr. Khalid, counsel for the petitioner along with Ms. Sunita Kamboj, DM, ITPO

Ld. Counsels for the petitioner has filed a rejoinder to the reply filed by the respondent to the application and supplementary affidavit filed by the petitioner to place on record additional documents. The copy of the rejoinder has already been provided to the counsel for the respondent.

Ld. Counsel for the petitioner submitted that he could not bring his case file, as he came directly from the court to attend hearing and not from the office and hence is not prepared for the arguments. As this was not expected, the counsel was advised to come prepared along with case file in future hearings so that the argument of both parties completes without delay.

Ld. Counsel for the respondents objected to the applications filed by the petitioner to place on record additional documents on the ground that the case pertains to the year 2010 and at this stage they should not be allowed. On this, Ld. Counsel for the petitioner submitted that these documents only substantiate the claim already filed by the petitioner and also in reference to the EO's clarifications sought on 6.7.2015 and District Court's remarks on the issue.

Ld. Counsels for the respondent further submitted that on the main point of property tax, they have an information, obtained through RTI, that the amount, being claimed by petitioner towards enhanced property tax, the petitioner has not deposited with MCD, hence petitioner cannot demand/claim. Ld. Counsels further submitted that the MCD rates were not revised.

Both the parties are directed to bring concrete evidence to substantiate their respective claims on the main issue(s) of what MCD tax payable and what was demanded and what amount received. Instead of non-issues, it was directed to argue and produce evidence on main issue of non-payment amount on the next date of hearing.

The matter is fixed for further proceedings on 8.5.2023 at 4.00 pm.

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Ld. Counsel for the respondent has informed that they have not received the copy of the evidence-affidavit filed by the petitioner and also pointed out that this affidavit was supposed to be provided to them on 16.3.2023, as per last order sheet dt. 15.3.2023. Non-providing of copy of evidence to the respondent was viewed seriously, since because of this, respondent was unable to cross-examine the witness.

The matter is fixed for further hearing/cross-examination on 8.5.2023 at 4.30 pm.

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