

1. Arbitration / Disputes - In the event of any dispute, difference, interpretation or application relating to this agreement arises, the same shall be settled amicably by the parties. In case the dispute or differences could not be settled amicably, the same shall be referred for adjudication through Arbitration by an Arbitrator to be appointed by the Director, NIOT.

The Indian Arbitration shall be concluded in accordance with the provisions of Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996 or any statutory modifications or reenactment thereof and the rules made there under and for the time being in force shall apply to the arbitration proceedings. Venue of such arbitration shall be at Chennai in India. The language of arbitration proceedings shall be English. The Arbitrator shall make a reasoned award (the "award"), which shall be final and binding on the parties. The cost of the arbitration shall be shared equally by the parties to the contract. However, expenses incurred by each party in connection with the preparation, presentation etc., shall be borne by each party