

# Bikram Chaudhuri

Partner
Dispute Resolution



Bikram is a highly experienced legal professional with over 18 years specialising in domestic and international arbitration, ADR and complex commercial litigation.

He has a proven track record representing clients in high-value commercial, construction and shipping arbitrations across key global arbitration hubs, including London, Singapore, Stockholm and New Delhi.

Bikram is adept at proceedings under major international arbitration rules (LCIA, ICC, SIAC, UNCTRAL, LMAA) and has advised clients in diverse sectors such as infrastructure, energy, logistics and private equity.

Recognised thrice by Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific as a leading arbitration practitioner for his commercial and infrastructure disputes expertise, Bikram also possesses extensive experience in Indian civil and commercial litigation.

He is also a regular speaker at industry conferences and a published author in the 'Handbook on Construction Law & Arbitration'.

Bikram is known for his client-focused approach, meticulously aligning legal strategies with broader business objectives.

# Select Experience Statement

#### Infrastructure & Energy

- A listed Indian PSU against one of India's largest infrastructure MNCs in high-value arbitrations across multiple complex underground construction projects.
- An Indian EPC contractor in a Mumbai-seated arbitration against an Indian public sector railway corporation over a railway electrification project.
- An Italian fit-out contractor and its Oman-based parent company in a multi-milliondollar Stockholm-seated ICC arbitration arising out of an international construction contract governed by Kazakhstan law.
- An Omani oil and gas company in Muscat-seated ICC arbitration against a Chinese company under an SLA relating to oil exploration contracts with the Omani government.
- An Indian power infrastructure contractor in a Kigali-seated arbitration under UNCITRAL Rules relating to price adjustments and invocation of performance

#### Location

Mumbai

#### Education

- LLM, School of International Arbitration, Queen Mary University of London
- BSL, LLB, Symbiosis Law School, India

#### **Practices**

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## **Professional Membership**

- Bar Council of Maharashtra & Goa
- Bombay Bar Association

### Awards & Recognitions

 Future Star for Commercial and Transactions by Benchmark Litigation, 2023-25





guarantees under a contract for constructing power transmission towers and lines in Rwanda.

#### Commercial

- A US MNC and its group companies (engaged in manufacture and sale of tractors and farm machinery) in multi-jurisdictional commercial litigations and arbitrations with its Indian supplier and brand licensee.
- A global asset management company in multiple Singapore-seated SIAC arbitrations relating to investments made in Indian road assets and non-conformities under concession contracts with the NHAI.
- A Mauritius-based PE fund and its Indian affiliates in a Singapore-seated SIAC arbitration to enforce a put option against the promoters for exiting an Indian RE company.
- An Indian listed entity in coordinating and overseeing commercial litigations before English courts and participation in regulatory investigations by its international subsidiaries in the UK, Singapore and Mauritius.
- A Taiwanese company over the termination of its supply and distribution contract with, and in taking legal actions against, its Indian distributor.

#### **Shipping & Logistics**

- A listed Indian chemicals company in LMAA arbitration under the English Arbitration
   Act arising out of damage sustained by a vessel transporting corrosive cargo.
- An Indian shipping company in disputes against a Ukrainian entity under an English law-governed charterparty and other contracts before courts in Singapore and India and in ad hoc Mumbai-seated arbitration.
- An Indian public sector oil and gas company in suspending supply and shipping contracts with state-owned companies based in Iraq, Kuwait, Abu Dhabi and Saudi Arabia over force majeure conditions occasioned by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- An Indian shipping company over disputes before the Singapore High Court with a
  Maltese company relating to a charter party contract and a challenge to sale of ships
  under Singapore law.
- An Indian logistics company over a dispute before the Singapore High Court relating to conversion of cargo containers by its Singapore-based agent.