

# BHAVIK DIPAK RAJANI

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## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL DETAILS

**Surname:** RAJANI  
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**Date of Birth:** 06 January 1981  
**Nationality:** Portuguese

### CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS & AFFILIATIONS

**Fellow - Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCI Arb)** - Membership No. 6078744  
**Fellow - Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (FSI Arb)** - Reg No. F0862  
**Fellow - Indian Council of Arbitration (FICA)** - Membership No. IL/ICA/7011  
**SI Arb SCMA Certificate of Fellowship in Maritime Arbitration**  
**CEDR Accredited Mediator**  
**Bar Admissions- Bar Council of Maharashtra and Goa (India)** -No. Mah/353/2004 (NP)

### ARBITRATOR PANEL ADMISSIONS

London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA) Database of Arbitrators  
London Maritime Arbitrators Association (LMAA) - Supporting Member accepting Arbitrator Appointments  
Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) Reserve Panel of Arbitrators  
Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration (SCMA) Panel of Arbitrators  
Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SI Arb) Secondary Panel of Arbitrators  
Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (SCIA) Panel of Arbitrators  
South China International Arbitration Center (HK) (SCIAHK)'s Panel of Arbitrators  
Hongkong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC) List of Arbitrators  
Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC) List of Arbitrators  
Indian Council of Arbitration (ICA) Panel of Arbitrators and Panel of Maritime Arbitrators  
KCAB International's Panel of International Arbitrators  
Russian Arbitration Centre (RAC) International Arbitration Database  
Asia Pacific International Arbitration Chamber – Panel of Arbitrators  
Abu Dhabi International Arbitration Centre (ArbitrateAD) – List of Next Generation Arbitrators

### EXPERIENCE

**Independent Arbitrator and Counsel** - April 2021 – Present  
**Damodar Mangalji & Co. Ltd. (Goa, India):** Director – Nov 2015 – Present; Legal Advisor - Jan 2012 – March 2018  
**Damodar Ferro Limitada (Mozambique):** Director - April 2008 – April 2018  
**Resources International (Goa - India):** Partner – April 2012 – March 2021; Operations - Jan 2004 – March, 2012  
**Allen & Gledhill (Singapore):** Attachment - June 2003 to August 2003, Litigation Department  
**Crawford Bayley & Co., (Mumbai):** Trainee - May 2002 - May 2003, Intellectual Property Department  
**Chambers of J.E. Coelho Pereira SA (Goa):** Internship- Nov 1999 to Feb 2000 General Litigation

I have served in senior advisory capacities in my family's mining, shipping and commodities business from 2003 to 2021, managing legal issues as well as advising on commercial, operational, and finance functions. I bring legal and all-round commercial understanding of the issues concerning the mining sector. My cross-border experience includes structuring international mining investments, negotiating contracts for railways, ports, and the sales of iron ore, etc. As General Counsel, I managed arbitration and litigation in disputes relating to contracts concerning partnerships, joint ventures, mining services, iron ore sale, hire-purchase, barge hire, charter parties, and letters of credit disputes. I continue to externally advise my family business on important legal matters.

### EDUCATION

**National University of Singapore (2003):** Completed 12 Units towards a **Master of Laws (LLM)** Programme.  
**Goa University (1998-2003):** LL. B (Hons.) Programme at V. M. Salgaocar College of Law

## ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE

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### AS ARBITRATOR

- Co-Arbitrator in a London seated LMAA arbitration concerning a Charterparty Dispute (ongoing)
- Sole Arbitrator in a India seated commodities dispute administered by the Indian Council of Arbitration (concluded).
- Sole Arbitrator in a London seated LMAA Arbitration concerning a ship management dispute (ongoing).
- Co-Arbitrator in a Dubai seated Construction Arbitration administered by the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (concluded)

### AS TRIBUNAL SECRETARY

- In an India seated consolidated international commercial arbitration (administered by the ICA) between a Hong Kong Buyer and Indian Seller in disputes under f.o.b. contracts for sale of carbon round steel bars.
- In an ICA administered domestic arbitration in a consultancy services dispute with a fertilizer and chemicals producer

### AS COUNSEL

- Representing Claimant in domestic Arbitration relating to specific performance of an Agreement to Sell and joint development of Land (ongoing).
- Representing Claimants in a dispute concerning a Equipment Supply and Mining Services contract for an Underground Coal Mine, providing for Conciliation under the SFCA Rules (ongoing) and potentially arbitration under ICC Rules.
- Represented Claimants in 2 HKIAC administered Hongkong seated arbitrations under the UNCITRAL Rules, involving a Singapore Buyer and Chinese Respondents (including a Chinese SOE) in a shipbuilding dispute.
- Represented Claimants in a Consolidated AIAC Arbitration under 3 Master Services Agreements and a Note Subscription Agreement. The award was successfully enforced in Hongkong.
- Advising a client in respect of enforcement of a HKIAC award in India.
- Advised on a potential LCIA Arbitration governed by English Law in relation to dilution of shares in a complex joint venture dispute for the acquisition and management of a Hotel in Central London.
- Advised on a potential LCIA Arbitration governed by English Law in relation to a misrepresentation and quality dispute by the buyer under an FOB contract for the sale of iron ore.
- Advised a manufacturer on commencing an ICC Arbitration governed by Indian Law, in relation to their claim for liquidated damages under a Contract for supply of SAR reconnaissance systems.

### AS IN HOUSE:

- Three related domestic ad-hoc arbitrations concerning disputes arising from a suite of agreements for operating a mine.
- A domestic ad-hoc arbitration concerning agreements for exclusive sale of iron ore from a mining concession.
- An India seated ad-hoc international commercial arbitration in relation to a l/c dispute arising out of a f.o.b. iron ore sales contract against a Hong Kong based buyer.
- Proceedings under section 8 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996. Issues involved were joinder of third parties and arbitrability of fraud.
- Evaluating grounds for resisting enforcement of a LMAA Award arising from a Charter party dispute (Settled).
- Challenge to an award issued against a Guarantor in respect of a loan default by the borrower. Challenge Grounds included failure to follow (a) natural justice; (b) the appointment procedure and (c) give proper notice.
- Proceedings under section 11 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 for appointing an Arbitrator.

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

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**National Capacity Building Programme on Arbitration** – Witness Examination in Arbitration, 29 July 2025

**ICA – Goa High Court Bar Association** - Arbitration Training, 05-07 December 2024, Goa

**CIArb India Branch Annual Conference 2024**, 06 January 2024, Mumbai

**The 2nd IBA Litigation and ADR Symposium** – 18 August 2023, New Delhi

## MEMBERSHIPS

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Arbitration Bar of India (ABI/A0135)

International Bar Association (1516587)

Indian Council of Arbitration (IL/ICA7011)

Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration

London Maritime Arbitrators Association (LMAA) – Supporting Member

## LANGUAGES

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English, Hindi, Gujarati	:	Native or bilingual proficiency
Konkani, Marathi	:	Full professional proficiency
Portuguese	:	Basic or elementary proficiency