

MHRT050010192021



S.C.C. No.654/2021

State of Maharashtra

Vs.

Devu Laxman Khopakar

ORDER BELOW EXH.1

01. Today Special drive has been directed by the Hon'ble High Court. Therefore, matter is identified for disposal under section 281 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita to reduce pendency in pursuance of the letter issued by the Hon'ble High Court letter bearing outward No.MSLSA/2026/625, dated 16.02.2026.

02. The accused has been charge-sheeted for the offence punishable under section 65(e) of Maharashtra Prohibition Act on 26.10.2021. Plea of the accused recorded on 27.06.2025 and he pleaded not guilty. Thereafter, In order to secure presence of the accused, necessary steps have been adopted by this court but his presence could not secured. In such circumstances, I do not find any justifiable reasons to keep the matter pending years together. Hence, in my view it is a fit case to exercise power under Section 281 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita. Hence, I proceed to pass the following order.

ORDER

1. The proceeding is stopped under section 281 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.
2. The accused is released from this case.
3. Proceeding is hereby closed.

Date: 10.03.2026

(Sanjay M. Chavan)
Judicial Magistrate First Class
Khed, Tal. Khed, Dist.Ratnagiri

CERTIFICATE

I affirm that the contents of this pdf file order are same word as per original Judgment/order.

Name of Stenographer	:	Sou. S. J. Salunkhe
Court Name	:	Jt. C.J.J.D. & J.M.F.C. Court, Khed.
Date of Decision	:	10.03.2026
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