

**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR****CRA No. 229 of 2026**Biran Kujur **versus** State of Chhattisgarh**Order Sheet**

23/01/2026	Heard Mr. Nishi Kant Sinha, learned counsel for the appellant. Also heard Mr. Shailendra Sharma, learned Panel Lawyer, appearing for the State/respondent. I.A. No. 2 of 2026 is an application seeking condonation of delay of 24 days in preferring the appeal. Since Mr. Shailendra Sharma, learned Panel Lawyer appearing for the respondent/State, has no objection to the delay being condoned, and considering that the accused has a statutory right to file an appeal and the cause shown for filing the

appeal beyond the prescribed period appears to be satisfactory, the delay in filing the present appeal is hereby condoned.

Admit.

As Mr. Shailendra Sharma, learned Panel Lawyer, has already entered appearance on behalf of the respondent/State, issuance of fresh notice to the respondent is dispensed with.

The State is directed to file its reply/objection to I.A. No. 1 of 2026, an application for suspension of sentence and grant of bail, within a period of two weeks. The State shall also inform this Court about the criminal antecedents, if any, of the appellant.

Learned State counsel is further directed to inform the father (PW-2) of the victim regarding the pendency of the appeal as well as the application for suspension of sentence and grant of bail, clearly indicating that he may appear on the date fixed and oppose the prayer for bail through counsel, if so

advised.

Summon the Trial Court record within six weeks.

Let the paper-book be filed in accordance with the High Court Rules, 2007.

List this matter thereafter for consideration of I.A. No. 1 of 2026, the application for suspension of sentence and grant of bail.

Sd/-
(Ravindra Kumar Agrawal)
Judge

Sd/-
(Ramesh Sinha)
Chief Justice