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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **CRL.A. 105/2024**
RAJESH KUMARAppellant
Through: Mr. Pankaj Jaiswal, Advocate.

versus

STATE GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI AND ORSRespondents
Through: Mr. Utkarsh, APP for the State with
Inspector Deepak Kumar, P.S.
Usmanpur.

+ **CRL.REV.P. 420/2024 & CRL.M.A 9552/2024**
STATEPetitioner
Through: Mr. Utkarsh, APP for the State with
Inspector Deepak Kumar, P.S.
Usmanpur.

versus

SANJAY SHARMA & ORS.Respondents
Through:

CORAM:
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE CHANDRASEKHARAN SUDHA

ORDER
23.03.2026

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1. This appeal has been filed by the informant/aggrieved against the order of discharge of the accused persons who are alleged to have committed the offences punishable under the various Sections of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes



(Prevention Of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (the SC/ST Act).

2. Written submissions not exceeding three pages each along with compilation of judgments that the parties wish to rely upon, be filed within four weeks.

3. List for hearing on 21.07.2026.

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4. The revision has been filed by the State against the very same order. Section 14A of the SC/ST Act reads thus:

“14A. Appeals.— (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974), an appeal shall lie, from any judgment, sentence or order, not being an interlocutory order, of a Special Court or an Exclusive Special Court, to the High Court both on facts and on law.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (3) of section 378 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974), an appeal shall lie to the High Court against an order of the Special Court or the Exclusive Special Court granting or refusing bail.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, every appeal under this section shall be preferred within a period of ninety days from the date



of the judgment, sentence or order appealed from: Provided that the High Court may entertain an appeal after the expiry of the said period of ninety days if it is satisfied that the appellant had sufficient cause for not preferring the appeal within the period of ninety days: Provided further that no appeal shall be entertained after the expiry of the period of one hundred and eighty days.

(4) Every appeal preferred under sub-section (1) shall, as far as possible, be disposed of within a period of three months from the date of admission of the appeal.”

5. Therefore, it is an appeal that ought to have been filed by the State, and not a revision. Accordingly, the revision that has been filed shall stand converted into an appeal.

CRL.A. (TO BE NUMBERED)

6. The Registry is directed to register the present matter as a criminal appeal and assign it a number accordingly.

7. List for hearing on 21.07.2026.

CHANDRASEKHARAN SUDHA, J

MARCH 23, 2026/mj