

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH : NAGPUR

CRIMINAL APPLICATION (APL) NO. 1048 OF 2026

[Atul Gupta **vs.** The State of Maharashtra, through Kalmeshwar P.S., Nagpur
 Gramin, Nagpur]

 Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram,
 appearances, Court's orders of directions
 and Registrar's orders

Court's or Judge's orders

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 for the applicant
 Mr. K. R. Lule, APP for the State

CORAM: MRS. VRUSHALI V. JOSHI, J.

DATED : 05-05-2026.

Heard.

The applicant seeks permission to amend the application. Permission granted. The applicant to carry out amendment forthwith and shall supply copy of the same to other side.

The applicant has filed this application for quashing FIR No. 228/2026 registered by the non-applicant. Unfortunate accidental explosion was occurred at the manufacturing premises of SBL Company at Rahulgaon, Tahsil Kalmeshwar, Nagpur. 17 workers were killed on the spot and 24 workers were injured. The case was registered as accidental case on 1-3-2026 under Sections 105, 125(a), 125(b) and 288 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023. The applicant is one of the non-executive directors and permanently staying in Dubai. It is stated that as non-executive director, he never visited the company. Being the director, his name is mentioned in FIR and non bailable warrant is issued against him.

Issue notice to the non-applicant, returnable after Summer Vacations.

Learned Additional Public Prosecutor waives notice for the State/non-applicant.

As the non bailable warrant is issued, considering the role of this applicant that he is non executive director of the company, the non bailable warrant is stayed till next date.

JUDGE

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