

**Rakesh Priya Ranjan Vs. Kangra Central
Cooperative Bank Ltd.**

Cr. Revision No. 540 of 2025

16.9.2025 Present: Mr. Arush Matolotia, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. S.S. Rathore, Advocate, for the respondent-Bank.

Service is complete.

Cr. M.P. No. 4115 of 2025

By way of present application, under Section 438 (1) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, petitioner/applicant has sought the suspension of order of sentence, dated 20.1.2025, passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate First Class, Kangra, District Kangra, H.P. (hereinafter referred to as 'the trial Court'), in Cr. Case No. 182 of 2021, titled as, 'The Kangra Central Co-operative Bank Ltd. Versus Dr. Rakesh Priya Ranjan', whereby the learned trial Court, vide judgment of conviction and order of sentence dated 20.1.2025, has convicted the applicant, for the commission of offence, under Section 138 of N.I. Act and sentenced him to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of three months and to pay compensation of Rs. 2,50,000/-.

The said judgment of conviction and order of sentence have been affirmed by the learned Sessions Judge, Kangra at Dharamshala, H.P.

(hereinafter referred to as 'the Appellate Court'), vide judgment dated 16.7.2025 in Cr. Appeal No. 7-K/X/2025, titled as, 'Dr. Rakesh Priya Ranjan versus The Kangra Central Co-operative Bank Ltd.'

Since the revision against the judgment of conviction and order of sentence, as referred to above, will take sufficient long time, for its disposal, as such, the order of sentence dated 20.1.2025, is suspended during the pendency of the revision, subject to the following conditions:

(i) That applicant shall furnish personal bond in the sum of Rs. 50,000/-, alongwith one surety of the like amount, to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court, within a period of four weeks from today, with an undertaking that in the event of final dismissal of the revision petition, he will surrender before the learned trial Court to serve the remainder substantive sentence;

(ii) That the applicant shall deposit 30% of the total amount of compensation, with the learned trial Court, within a period of four weeks from today, which shall be in addition to the amount, if any, already deposited by the applicant;

(iii) That the applicant shall not leave the country without the prior permission of the Court.

The application is, thus, disposed of.

A copy of this order be sent to the learned trial Court, with the direction that the report of compliance of this order be submitted to this Court,

on or before the next date of hearing.

(Virender Singh)
Judge

September 16, 2025
(kalpana)