

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
L.P.A. No. 82 of 2025

The State of Jharkhand through the Chief Secretary,
Government of Jharkhand and Ors. ... Appellants

Versus

Kamal Kishor ... Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH SHANKAR**

For the Appellants: Mr. Amrit Raj Kisku, A.C. to G.A.-V
For the Respondent: Mr. Rishikesh Giri, Advocate.

05/Dated: 29.07.2026

1. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
2. I.A. No. 1321 of 2025 seeks condonation of delay of 166 days in instituting the accompanying appeal.
3. We have perused the averments in the I.A., supplementary affidavit and the counter affidavit filed on behalf of the respondent, opposing the condonation of delay.
4. In this case, we note that the learned Single Judge by the impugned order has directed the release of the benefits of second and third M.A.C.P. benefits to the respondent-original petitioner. This was despite the admitted position that criminal proceedings were pending against the original petitioner, at least, at the time of release of the third M.A.C.P. benefit. The delay in this case, has been sufficiently explained because the matter had to be placed before a screening Committee and the screening

Committee, considering the fact that a precedent would be laid down, consciously took a decision to institute an appeal.

5. Thereafter, approval had to be obtained from the learned Advocate General and sometime it was thereafter spent collecting the papers and preparing memo of appeal. The record does not show any gross negligence or callousness.
6. Accordingly, on cumulative consideration of all the above circumstances, we condone the delay and dispose of I.A. No. 1321 of 2025.
7. Place the appeal for “Admission” on 08th September, 2026.

(M. S. Sonak, C.J.)

(Rajesh Shankar, J.)

29.07.2026

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