



IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

Criminal Appeal No(s). 2395/2026
SLP (CrL.) No(s). 2247/2026

RAVENDRA @ RAVINDRA SINGH BUNDELA

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MADHYA PRADESH

Respondent(s)

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.
2. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
3. This appeal arises from an order dated 03.03.2025 passed by the High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Jabalpur in Criminal Appeal No. 1271/2026 whereby the application of the appellant seeking suspension of sentence has been rejected.
4. At the outset, learned counsel for the appellant submits that the criminal appeal against the order of conviction pending before the High Court is not likely to be heard in near future and by now the appellant has suffered incarceration of over 11 years.
5. Having regard to the above, we are of the view that the appellant is entitled to suspension of sentence, at this stage,

pending consideration of his appeal.

6. Accordingly, the appeal is allowed. The order of the High Court rejecting the prayer of the appellant to suspend the sentence pending consideration of his appeal by the High Court is set aside. The sentence awarded to the appellant by the trial court shall remain suspended pending consideration of his appeal by the High Court and the appellant shall be released on bail on such terms and conditions as the trial court may deem fit to impose in the facts and circumstances of the case.

7. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

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New Delhi;
May 08, 2026

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Date : 08-05-2026 This appeal was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ MISRA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANMOHAN

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Mr. Karan Singh, Adv.

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. Leave granted.
2. The appeal is allowed in terms of the signed order placed on the file.
3. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(CHETAN ARORA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(SAPNA BANSAL)
COURT MASTER (NSH)