

ITEM NO.46

COURT NO.13

SECTION II-C

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

PETITION FOR SPECIAL LEAVE TO APPEAL (CRL.) NO. 580/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 15-10-2025 in MCRC No. 8217/2025 passed by the High Court of Chhattisgarh at Bilaspur]

ASHOK KUMAR PRADHAN & ANR.

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF CHHATTISGARH

RESPONDENT(S)

FOR ADMISSION

IA No. 9067/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 24-04-2026 This matter was called for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AHSANUDDIN AMANULLAH
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R. MAHADEVAN

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Padmesh Mishra, Adv.
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Mr. Divya Tripathi, Adv.

O R D E R

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

2. In view of the allegations and the reasons disclosed for framing charges against the petitioners, as also the

fact that only eight witnesses remain to be examined, that too, formal witnesses, indicating that the trial is almost at the fag end, we are not persuaded to consider the prayer for bail of the petitioners.

3. Accordingly, the Special Leave Petition is dismissed.

4. However, we direct that the remaining witnesses be examined latest within a period of six weeks from today positively.

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

(POOJA SHARMA)
AR-CUM-PS

(ANJALI PANWAR)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR