

ITEM NO.69

COURT NO.7

SECTION II-E

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No(s). 764/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 29-10-2025 in IA No. 22831/2025 passed by the High Court of Madhya Pradesh Principal Seat at Jabalpur]

DHANESH PRATAP SINGH @PAPPU

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF MADHYA PRADESH

Respondent(s)

FOR ADMISSION

IA No. 11925/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 19-01-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE J.B. PARDIWALA

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SATISH CHANDRA SHARMA

For Petitioner(s) :

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For Respondent(s) :

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

1. Exemption Application is allowed.
2. This petition arises from the order passed by the High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Jabalpur dated 29.10.2025 by which the I.A. preferred by the petitioner herein (convict) seeking

suspension of sentence of life imprisonment passed by the Trial Court came to be dismissed.

3. It appears from the materials on record that the petitioner before us was put to trial along with other co-accused for the offence punishable under Sections 302, 341 of the Indian Penal Code (for short, the IPC), respectively and Sections 25 (1-B) A and 27 of the Arms Act, respectively.

4. At the end of the trial, the petitioner came to be held guilty of the alleged crime and was sentenced to undergo life imprisonment.

5. We are told that some of the co-accused came to be convicted.

6. The petitioner has preferred Criminal Appeal No. 6376/2021 before the High Court. The appeal is pending for final hearing.

7. Having heard the learned senior counsel appearing for the petitioner and having gone through the materials on record, we are of the view that no case is made out for suspension of sentence of life imprisonment.

8. However, considering the fact that the petitioner is undergoing life imprisonment past 9 years and the appeal is of the year 2021, the High Court may give some priority to the appeal and see to it that the same is heard and disposed of within a period of six months from today.

9. With the aforesaid, the special leave petition stands disposed of.

10. Pending application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

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