

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. of 2026
[ARISING OUT OF SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CRL.) NO.2672/2026]

DASHRATHBHAI BHIKHABHAI RAJGOR

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF GUJARAT

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 20.01.2025, passed by the High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Jabalpur rejecting the anticipatory bail prayer of the appellant in connection with First Information Report (FIR) No. 11216004220170/2022, registered with Dabhoda Police Station, District Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
4. After considering the submission of learned counsel for the appellant, on 02.02.2026, the following interim protection order was passed:

“1. Delay condoned.

2. Issue notice, returnable in six weeks.

3. In the meantime, it is provided that in the event the Petitioner is arrested in connection with FIR No. 11216004220170 of 2024, registered at P.S. Dabhoda, District Gandhinagar, he shall be released on a personal bond of Rs. 25,000/- subject to an undertaking that he shall cooperate in the investigation and make himself available for

interrogation as and when required by the investigating agency. He shall also submit an undertaking that he will not threaten the witnesses or tamper the evidence."

5. On service of notice, the respondent is represented.

6. We have heard learned counsel for the parties.

7. There is no statement in the counter affidavit that the appellant has not cooperated in the investigation. In such circumstances, we do not find a good reason to discharge the interim protection order granted earlier. Consequently, we deem it appropriate to dispose of the appeal by making the interim order absolute subject to the following two conditions.

(A) The appellant shall co-operate in the investigation and make himself available for interrogation as and when required by the investigating agency.

(B) Within three weeks from today, he shall submit bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Trial Court concerned along with an undertaking that he shall not threaten the witnesses or tamper the evidence.

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

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New Delhi
March 20, 2026

ITEM NO.8

COURT NO.14

SECTION II-E

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.2672/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 20-01-2025 in CRIMINAL MISC.APPLIC No. 700/2025 passed by the High Court of Gujarat at Ahmedabad]

DASHRATHBHAI BHIKHABHAI RAJGOR

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF GUJARAT

Respondent(s)

IA No. 28099/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE
IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

Date : 20-03-2026 This matter was called on for hearing
today.

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

For Petitioner(s) :Ms. Reetu Sharma, AOR
Ms. Niddhi Barot, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :Mr. Prashant Bhagwati, Adv.
Ms. Swati Ghildiyal, AOR
Ms. Apoorva Anand, Adv.

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

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

(KAVITA PAHUJA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(SAPNA BANSAL)
COURT MASTER (NSH)