

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 1724 OF 2026
(@ SLP (CRIMINAL) NO.5801 OF 2026 @ DIARY NO.1555/2026)

MADHUKUMAR & ANR.

APPELLANT(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF KERALA

RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. Delay condoned.
2. Leave granted.
3. Heard learned counsel for the appellants, learned counsel for the State of Kerala as well as the learned counsel for the complainant.
4. The appellants were convicted by the Trial Court for the offences under Sections 341 and 324 read with Section 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and had been sentenced to imprisonment for one month and six months respectively. The aforesaid conviction and sentence has been upheld upto the High Court.
5. The *de-facto* complainant has filed an affidavit dated 27.02.2026, stating that the parties have settled the matter and that he has no grievance against the appellants. He has also submitted that the complaint was filed under some mistaken belief and that he does not want to pursue the matter any further.

6. In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances, as the matter has been settled between the parties, we set aside the sentence awarded to the appellants in exercise of powers under Article 142 of the Constitution of India.

7. The appeal stands disposed of accordingly. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

.....J.
(PANKAJ MITHAL)

.....J.
(S.V.N. BHATTI)

NEW DELHI
01st APRIL, 2026.
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S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGSSPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CRIMINAL) DIARY NO(S). 1555/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 13-03-2025 in CRRP No. 867/2018 passed by the High Court of Kerala at Ernakulam]

MADHUKUMAR & ANR.

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF KERALA

RESPONDENT(S)

(IA No. 61230/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING
IA No. 61236/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN REFILEING / CURING THE
DEFECTS IA No. 61225/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE
IMPUGNED JUDGMENT IA No. 61227/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.
IA No. 61234/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM SURRENDERING WITHIN TIME)

Date : 01-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PANKAJ MITHAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.V.N. BHATTI

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Mr. Mahabir Singh, Adv.
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UPON hearing the counsel the court made the following
O R D E R

1. Delay condoned.
2. Leave granted.
3. The appeal stands disposed of in terms of the signed order. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(Nidhi Mathur)
Court Master (NSH)

(Signed Order is placed on the file)

(Geeta Ahuja)
Deputy Registrar