



ITEM NO.26

COURT NO.7

SECTION II-C

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

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CRIMINAL) Diary No. 1906/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 16-10-2025 in CRA No. 57/2009 passed by the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh at Jammu]

DEV RAJ

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION TERRITORY OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR

Respondent(s)

IA No. 95882/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN
REFILING / CURING THE DEFECTS, IA No. 95885/2026 -
EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 15-05-2026 This matter was called on for
hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE J.B. PARDIWALA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIJAY BISHNOI

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Balwant Singh Billowira,
Adv.
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Mr. Manu Shanker Mishra, AOR
Ms. Anita Malik, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :

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

1. Delay condoned.
2. Leave granted.
3. We take notice of the fact that co-convict namely Balwan Singh has been ordered to be released on bail pending the final disposal of his appeal before this Court.
4. Insofar as the present appellant is concerned, he has already undergone around 13 years of sentence.
5. In such circumstances, the substantive order

of life imprisonment is suspended. The appellant shall be released on bail forthwith, if not required in any other case, subject to the terms and conditions that the Trial Court may deem fit to impose.

(CHANDRESH)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(POOJA SHARMA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)