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SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CRIMINAL) Diary No(s). 2451/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 20-12-2024 in CRM (M) No. 139/2023 passed by the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh at Srinagar]

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

BALVINDER SINGH YADAV

Respondent(s)

IA No. 99328/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING

IA No. 99330/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN REFILEING / CURING THE DEFECTS

IA No. 99329/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

Date : 27-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE J.K. MAHESHWARI

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ATUL S. CHANDURKAR

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Pashupathi Nath Razdan, AOR
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For Respondent(s) :

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

1. Delay in refileing the petition is condoned.
2. Application for exemption from filing certified copy of the impugned judgment is allowed.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has placed reliance on paragraph no. 7 of the Judgment of State of Punjab v. Kasturi Lal &

Ors., (2004) 12 SCC 195. Certainly, the said observation refers to Section 10 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 but still the question is how far a punishment can be awarded without joining the company to its agent or Director.

4. At this stage permission sought by learned counsel to amend the complaint may be considered on filing counter.

5. Since the special leave petition has been filed with a delay of 300 days, in view of the foregoing, we issue notice on the delay as well as on special leave petition, returnable in six weeks.

(SACHIN KUMAR SRIVASTAVA)
COURT MASTER (SH)

(NAND KISHOR)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR