

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No(s). 1342/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 07-01-2026 in CRM(A) No. 3545/2025 passed by the High Court at Calcutta]

BHARAT MANEKLAL PAREKH

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ANR.

Respondent(s)

IA No. 23315/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

IA No. 23316/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 24-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ MISRA

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For Petitioner(s) :

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For Respondent(s) :

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

1. In the counter affidavit, it is stated that the petitioner has not co-operated in the investigation though, he

was called for interrogation on 15.02.2026 (wrongly typed as 15.02.2025).

2. An affidavit has been submitted by the petitioner expressing his willingness to co-operate with the investigation. It is also stated that he presented himself before the police station concerned on 14.02.2026 and 15.02.2026.

3. Be that as it may, we are of the view that in case the petitioner is required for interrogation by the investigating officer, the petitioner would have to co-operate.

4. At this stage, the learned counsel for the respondent submits that any date after 29.04.2026 may be fixed for appearance of the petitioner before the investigating officer for interrogation.

5. In such circumstances, we deem it appropriate to direct that the petitioner

shall appear before the investigating officer for interrogation at 11:00 am at the police station concerned on 07.05.2026.

6. List this matter on 21.05.2026.

7. Subject to above, the interim order granted earlier to continue.

(CHETAN ARORA)  
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(SAPNA BANSAL)  
COURT MASTER (NSH)