

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
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Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No.1451/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 17-12-2025 in SBCRMBA No.10666/2025 passed by the High Court of Judicature for Rajasthan at Jaipur]

DHARMRAJ

Petitioner

VERSUS

THE STATE OF RAJASTHAN

Respondent

I.A. No.25516/2026-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

I.A. No.31905/2026-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

I.A. No.31904/2026-PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/
ANNEXURES

Date : 16-03-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DIPANKAR DATTA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SATISH CHANDRA SHARMA

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Sudhanshu S. Chowdhary, Sr. Adv.
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For Respondent(s) : Ms. Aneesha Rastogi, Adv.
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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. The High Court by the impugned order dated 17th December, 2025 has rejected the petitioner's third prayer for bail. He is in custody since 17th July, 2023 on an accusation of having committed offences under Sections 302/307/147/148/149/120B, Indian Penal Code, 1860.

2. We are informed by learned counsel appearing for the respondent-State

of Rajasthan that evidence of 87 witnesses out of 114 witnesses proposed to be examined has been recorded and that 10 more material witnesses remain to be examined out of the balance 27.

3. Having regard to the nature of allegations, the gravity of the offence and the fast pace at which the trial has progressed, we are not inclined to release the petitioner on bail despite his pre-trial incarceration for about 30 months; hence, the special leave petition is dismissed.

4. However, we encourage the trial court to expedite the trial.

5. The prosecution may have the oral evidence of the remaining 10 material witnesses recorded examined within the next three months.

6. In the event, however, evidence of the remaining 10 material witnesses cannot be recorded for any reason attributable to the petitioner, he will be at liberty to renew his prayer for bail before the trial court. If such an application is made, the same shall be considered on its own merits.

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

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