

ITEM NO.6

COURT NO.11

SECTION X

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

Miscellaneous Application No. 228/2026

in

W.P.(Crl.) No. 263/2025

YAUN HAILONG

Applicant(s)/Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE
AT ALLAHABAD & ANR.

Non-Applicant(s)/Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and IA No. 27767/2026 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/
DIRECTIONS)

Date : 19-02-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. VINOD CHANDRAN

For Applicant(s)/Petitioner(s) :

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For Non-Applicant(s)
/Respondent(s) :

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

Writ Petition (Criminal) No. 263/2025 filed by the present applicant was disposed of by this Court on 01.08.2025, requesting the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad¹ to decide the bail application filed by the applicant, Yaun Hailong, expeditiously,

1 "High Court", for short

taking into consideration the fact that he had been incarcerated for more than three years.

The present miscellaneous application has been filed by the applicant, Yaun Hailong, stating that his bail application has not been disposed of by the High Court till date.

We may also refer to the judgment dated 12.09.2025 passed by this Court in Criminal Appeal No. 4004/2025, titled "*Anna Waman Bhalerao vs. State of Maharashtra*" and a connected matter, wherein the following directions were issued: -

"a) High Courts shall ensure that applications for bail and anticipatory bail pending before them or before the subordinate courts under their jurisdiction are disposed of expeditiously, preferably within a period of two months from the date of filing, except in cases where delay is attributable to the parties themselves.

b) High Courts shall issue necessary administrative directions to subordinate courts to prioritise matters involving personal liberty and to avoid indefinite adjournments.

c) Investigating agencies are expected to conclude investigations in long-pending cases with promptitude so that neither the complainant nor the accused suffers prejudice on account of undue delay.

d) Being the highest constitutional fora in the States, High Courts must devise suitable mechanisms and procedures to avoid accumulation of pending bail/anticipatory bail applications and ensure that the liberty of citizens is not left in abeyance. In particular, bail and anticipatory bail applications shall not be kept pending for long durations without

passing orders either way, as such pendency directly impinges upon the fundamental right to liberty.”

In the light of the aforestated binding directions issued by this Court, we direct the Registrar (Judicial) of the High Court to place the matter before the Hon’ble The Chief Justice of the High Court for issuing necessary instructions for listing of the bail application of the applicant before the appropriate Bench for consideration and disposal expeditiously, keeping in mind the time frame fixed by this Court in *Anna Waman Bhalerao (supra)* and also the length of time the applicant has been in custody.

The miscellaneous application is disposed of accordingly.

(DEEPAK GUGLANI)
AR-cum-PS

(PREETI SAXENA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)