

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGSPETITION(S) FOR SPECIAL LEAVE TO APPEAL (CRL.) NO.1785/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 20-12-2025 in ABA No. 5203/2025 passed by the High Court of Jharkhand at Ranchi]

SHEKHAR KUMAR

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF JHARKHAND

Respondent(s)

IA No. 31778/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No. 31779/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 10-02-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ MISRA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANMOHAN

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Ajay Marwah, AOR
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Mr. Ravi Kumar Tomar, AOR

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

1. The submission of the learned counsel for the petitioner is that while rejecting the anticipatory bail prayer of the petitioner, the High Court relied on a case Diary Entry regarding four criminal antecedents of the

petitioner when, in fact, there were only three cases. One related to an offence punishable under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 against which an appeal is pending. The other two cases pertain to offences punishable under Sections 406/420 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860. In one of those two, the matter was closed on compromise and in the other one, the petitioner has been acquitted. Besides above, it is submitted, the High Court failed to consider that the First Information Report was lodged after a complaint was made by the petitioner against the informant. It has also been submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated and the allegations are such where no custodial interrogation is required.

2. Issue notice, returnable in four weeks.

3. Notice on behalf of Caveator has been accepted by Mr. Ravi Raj Tomar, Advocate-on-Record.

4. In the meantime, it is directed that if the Petitioner is arrested in connection with P.S. Case No.116 of 2025 registered at P.S. Lalpur, Ranchi, Jharkhand, he shall be released on personal bond of Rs 25,000/- subject to an undertaking that he shall cooperate in the investigation and make himself available for interrogation as and when required by the investigating agency. He shall also submit an undertaking that he will not threaten any witness or tamper the evidence.

(KAVITA PAHUJA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(SAPNA BANSAL)
COURT MASTER (NSH)