

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 (C) No(s). 8877/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 31-10-2025 in MAC No. 12/2024 passed by the High Court of Chhatisgarh at Bilaspur]

RAMAKANT CHANDRAKAR

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

GULABRAM NISHAD & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 57164/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING AND
IA No. 57165/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 05-05-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KAROL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Kaustubh Shukla, AOR
Ms. Pushpanjali Singh, Adv.
Mr. Vipul Kumar, Adv.
Ms. Gursimrat Kaur, Adv.
Mr. Manoj Kumar, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :Mr. Atishi Dipankar, AOR
Mr. Harsh Kumar, Adv.
Mr. Naveen Kumar, Adv.
Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan, Adv.

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

1. As per the office report, respondent nos. 1 to 3 stand served. There is no appearance on their behalf.
2. In the interest of justice, we request and appoint Ms.Tanishka Pawar, learned counsel (email id:tanishkapawar@outlook.com and Enrol.No.D/6593/2025), as *amicus curiae* (pro bono), to assist the Court on behalf of respondent nos. 1 to 3.

3. The Registry is directed to supply the complete paper book in digital form to the learned *amicus curiae* within a period of one week.

4. Learned *amicus curiae* shall endeavour to get in touch with the said respondents directly, in writing, apprising them about the pendency of the present petition; the passing of this order; their right of engaging a counsel of choice; and their right of being represented, subject to eligibility, through a Legal Aid Counsel.

5 Learned *amicus curiae* shall also get in touch with the Chairperson of the concerned District Legal Services Authority, who shall have the above said respondents apprised of their rights to the aforesaid effect.

6. Learned *amicus curiae* shall file the compliance affidavit before the next date of listing.

7. We clarify that the learned *amicus curiae* shall continue to assist the Court, even if the respondents are represented by a legally engaged counsel.

8. The Registry shall communicate this order to all concerned forthwith.

9. The Registry shall print the name of the learned *amicus curiae* in the cause list.

10. Learned counsel for respondent no.4 seeks time to file counter affidavit. Let counter affidavit be filed within three weeks. Rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed within two weeks thereafter.

11 List on 04.08.2026.

(RAJNI MUKHI)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(ANU BHALLA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)