



ITEM NO.41 COURT NO.14 SECTION II-A

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
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PETITION(S) FOR SPECIAL LEAVE TO APPEAL (CRL.)
NO. 4825/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 11-02-2026 in CRA No. 306/1999 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay]

ASHOK ROOPCHAND JAIN Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA & ORS. Respondent(s)

FOR ADMISSION

IA No. 65791/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

IA No. 65788/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

Date : 20-03-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

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

For Petitioner(s) :

Mr. Siddharth Dave, Sr. Adv.
Ms. Nanditta Batra, Adv.
Ms. Akriti Chaubey, AOR
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Mr. Darshan Sejwal, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :

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 petitioner was tried for offences punishable under Sections 498A, 304B, 306/34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (IPC) and convicted only under Section 498A of the IPC by taking into account explanations (a). It has been submitted that once the petitioner is acquitted for an offence punishable under Section 304B/306 IPC, it cannot be taken that the conduct of the petitioner was such which was likely to drive the deceased to commit suicide. In such circumstances, conviction of the petitioner under Section 498A is unjustified.

2. Issue notice, returnable in six weeks.

3. In the meantime, the record of the courts below be called for.

4. The sentence of petitioner under Section 498A IPC is hereby suspended. The appellant shall be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Trial Court concerned.

(KAVITA PAHUJA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(SAPNA BANSAL)
COURT MASTER (NSH)