

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION



Criminal Appeal No(s). 2087/2026
SLP (CrL.) No(s). 5659/2026

SANDHURA RANI

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

Respondent(s)

O R D E R

1. Delay condoned.
2. Leave granted.
3. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
4. This appeal arises from an order dated 20.11.2025 passed by the High Court of Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh rejecting the regular bail prayer of the appellant in connection with FIR No. 04/2024, registered at P.S. GRP Faridkot, District Faridkot.
5. At the outset, learned counsel for the appellant submits that appellant is a lady; and the deceased committed suicide by

jumping in front of a running train. The appellant being mother-in-law has been implicated along with other family members of the deceased's husband's family. It has been submitted that appellant has by now served over two years of incarceration pending trial and the trial is not likely to conclude in near future.

6. The learned Counsel for the State-respondent has opposed the prayer for bail but could not dispute that appellant by now has served over two years of incarceration pending trial.

7. Having regard to the nature of offence, the fact that appellant is a lady and has already suffered incarceration for a period exceeding two years pending trial, we are of the view that the appellant is entitled to be released on bail at this stage.

8. Accordingly, the appeal is allowed. The order passed by the High Court rejecting the regular bail prayer of the appellant is

set aside.

9. The appellant shall be released on bail on such terms and conditions as the trial court may deem fit to impose in the facts and circumstances of the case.

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

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[MANOJ MISRA]

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[MANMOHAN]

New Delhi;
April 22, 2026.

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JUDGMENT
IA No. 85791/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 22-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

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

For Appellant(s) : Mr. Chritarth Palli , AOR

For Respondent(s) :
Mr. Karan Sharma, AOR

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

1. Delay condoned.
2. Leave granted.
3. The appeal is allowed in terms of the signed order placed on the file.
4. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(CHETAN ARORA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(SAPNA BANSAL)
COURT MASTER (NSH)