

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. OF 2026
(Arising out of SLP(Crl.) No.4332 OF 2026)

SANDEEP JAIKISHAN DHIR

APPELLANT(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB & ANR.

RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.

2. I.A. No.132539 of 2026 has been jointly filed by the parties seeking appropriate directions under Article 142 of the Constitution of India for dissolving their marriage as per the terms of the Settlement Agreement/Memorandum of Understanding dated 13.04.2026.

3. Learned counsel for the parties submitted that all the disputes and differences between the parties have been amicably resolved, and the parties have decided to part ways on certain terms and conditions. Accordingly, appropriate and necessary orders may be passed in accordance therewith.

4. We appreciate the efforts put in by Mr. Saurabh Rajpal, learned counsel for the appellant and Mr. Ashish Pandey, learned counsel for respondent no.2 in helping them to arrive at an amicable settlement.

5. It is further agreed between the parties that, as per

paragraph no.5 of the Joint Application, the cases mentioned therein, as described below, shall stand closed:

"5. That the following cases are pending between the parties in different courts. That the details of the cases pending between the parties are as under:

Sr. No.	FIR No. and PS	Section(s)	Status of the case
1.	FIR No.27/2024, dated 02.04.2024. PS- Women, District – Ludhiana, Punjab.	Under Section 498A and 406 of the Indian Penal Code.	Petitioner has joined the investigation.
2.	FIR No.32, dated 28.01.2025, PS- Cyber Crime Police Station Gurugram, District – Gurugram, Haryana.	Under Section 66C of the Information Technology (Amendment) Act, 2008	Pending on argument on charge.
3.	FIR No.1, dated 03.01.2026, PS- Cyber Crime Police Station Ludhiana City,	Under Section 72(1), 74 & 79 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) 2023.	Petitioner has joined the investigation.

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6. It is submitted that a demand draft of Rs.7,00,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Only) was already handed over to learned counsel for respondent no.2 by learned counsel for the appellant.

7. In view of the above, the following directions are issued:

i) The marriage solemnized on 03.07.2023 between the respondent no.2-wife and the appellant-husband, having broken down irretrievably, is hereby dissolved by a decree of divorce by mutual consent;

ii) All the legal proceedings pending *inter se* the parties, as indicated above (paragraph no.5 herein), shall stand closed;

iii) Decree be drawn up accordingly;

iv) It goes without saying that both parties will continue to abide by the terms of the Joint Application without any exception;

v) Registry is directed to forward a copy of this order to the fora/courts concerned for passing formal orders closing the cases;
vi) The Settlement Agreement/Memorandum of Understanding dated 13.04.2026 is made part of this order, and its terms are binding upon the parties. Parties undertake to abide by the same; and
vii) Parties, through their learned counsel present in the Court, have been made aware of the consequences of breach of such terms, including the initiation of contempt proceedings.

8. In view of the above facts, I.A. No.132539 of 2026 is allowed and the appeal is disposed of.

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

.....J.
(SANJAY KAROL)

.....J.
(NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH)

NEW DELHI;
MAY 6, 2026.

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 (Crl.) No(s).4332/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 26-02-2026 in CRM-M No.28227/2024 passed by the High Court of Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh]

SANDEEP JAIKISHAN DHIR

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB & ANR.

RESPONDENT(S)

IA No. 75450/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT and IA No. 75449/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 06-05-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KAROL

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH

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

1. Leave granted.
2. I.A. No.132539 of 2026 is allowed and the appeal is disposed of in terms of the signed order which is placed on the file.
3. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(SOURAV PAL)
SENIOR PERSONAL ASSISTANT

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