

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).12231/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 11-12-2025 in MA No.117/2023 passed by the High Court of Jharkhand at Ranchi]

LALITA DEVI & ORS.

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

SANTOSH KUMAR & ORS.

RESPONDENT(S)

FOR ADMISSION

IA No. 99905/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 08-04-2026 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. Smarhar Singh, AOR
Mr. Manoj Kumar, Adv.
Mr. Pankaj Prakash, Adv.
Ms. Shweta Kumari, Adv.
Mr. Mohd Asim, Adv.
Mr. Rajesh Kumar, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :Mr. Nikhil Jain, AOR

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

1. The petitioners challenge the impugned judgment and order dated 11.12.2025 in M.A. No.117 of 2023, titled "*Lalita Devi & Ors. Vs. Santosh Kumar & Ors.*", passed by the High Court of Jharkhand at Ranchi.
2. We have heard learned counsel for the petitioner(s).
3. Liability stand fastened upon the insurer, hence issue notice, confined only to respondent No.3/Oriental Insurance Company Ltd., returnable on 11.05.2026.

4. We request Mr. Nikhil Jain, learned counsel, who usually appears on behalf of respondent No.3 to enter appearance on its behalf or to apprise the respondent No.3 about the pendency of the present petition; passing of this order and to make alternative arrangement.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioners to serve a copy of the present petition to the learned counsel for the respondent(s) within a period of one (01) week.

6. Let counter affidavit be filed within two (02) weeks. Rejoinder affidavit thereto, if any, be filed within one (01) week thereafter.

7. We make it clear that no further opportunity will be granted for this purpose.

(SOURAV PAL)
SENIOR PERSONAL ASSISTANT

(ANU BHALLA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)