

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. _____ OF 2026
(Arising out of SLP(CrL.) No.4595 of 2026)

MANDEEP KAUR

APPELLANT(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.

2. The appellant challenges the impugned judgment and order dated 25.02.2026 in CRM-M No.73052 of 2025 passed by the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh.

3. On 17.03.2026, this Court passed the following order:-

“1. The Petitioner challenges the order dated 25.02.2026 in CRM-M-73052-2025 titled as “Mandeep Kaur vs. State of Punjab”, passed by the High Court of Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh.

2. Issue notice to the respondent, returnable on 17.04.2026.

3. Dasti service, in addition, is permitted. Let steps for service be taken within one week.

4. Mr. Karan Sharma, learned counsel takes notice on behalf of the respondent. Hence, the formal service of the said respondent is waived.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner to serve copy of the present Special Leave Petition to the learned standing counsel

appearing for the respondent within a period of one week.

6. Let counter-affidavit be filed within three weeks. Rejoinder-affidavit thereto if any be filed before the next date of listing.

7. In the notice itself, let it be mentioned SLP(CRL.) NO.4595/2026 that the respondent is required to file the counter-affidavit and reply to the interlocutory application(s), if any, before the next date of listing.

8. In the event of arrest in connection with Crime No.141 dated 13.07.2023 at Police Station Sultanpur, District Kapurthala, Punjab, the petitioner shall be released on bail on such terms and conditions as imposed by the Investigating/Arresting Officer.

9. The petitioner shall make herself available before the Investigating Officer on 24.03.2026 and on all such dates as she may be required.

10. Needless to add, the petitioner would maintain good conduct and not attempt to influence any of the witnesses, in any manner, till the completion of the trial."

4. We have heard learned counsel for the parties and also perused the materials available on record.

5. It is not in dispute that the conditions stand fully complied with; the appellant has cooperated during the investigation; she has not threatened or intimidated any of the witnesses; or has tried to influence the investigation in any manner.

6. We have noticed the nature of crime and the manner in which it was allegedly committed.

7. We allow the present appeal by confirming the order dated 17.03.2026, passed by this Court, with a direction to the appellant to continue to cooperate during the investigation/trial and not to take any unnecessary adjournment. Also, the appellant shall report before the Investigating Officer on every alternate Monday, between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m., till such time the investigation is complete in all respects.

8. If the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer/Trial Court feels that the investigation/trial is delayed on account of the appellant's conduct, it shall be open to the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer/Trial Court to take appropriate steps in accordance with the law, including cancellation of bail.

9. The impugned judgment and order dated 25.02.2026 is set aside.

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

.....J.
(SANJAY KAROL)

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

NEW DELHI;
APRIL 17, 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).4595/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 25-02-2026 in CRMM No. 73052/2025 passed by the High Court of Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh]

MANDEEP KAUR

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

RESPONDENT(S)

(IA No.79646/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT AND IA No.79647/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 17-04-2026 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. Hardeep Singh, Adv.
Mr. Hargurbir Singh, Adv.
Mr. Hitesh Kumar, Adv.
Mr. Davinder Singh Chandi, Adv.
Mr. Pranav Singh Gautam, Adv.
Mr. Hardik Giri, Adv.
Mr. Naman Singh, Adv.
Mr. R. C. Kaushik, AORFor Respondent(s) :Mr. Vivek Jain, A.A.G.
Mr. Karan Sharma, AORUPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

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

(RAJNI MUKHI)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(Signed order is placed on the file)

(ANU BHALLA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)