



IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. _____ OF 2026
(arising out of SLP (CrI.) No. 4885/2026)

PARVEEN MALIK @ PARVEEN APPELLANT(S)
KUMAR MALIK

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANR. RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.
2. The appellant, Parveen Malik @ Parveen Kumar Malik, is aggrieved by the denial of regular bail by the High Court of Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh, *vide* order dated 20.01.2026 passed in CRM-No. 61852/2025 (O&M). He seeks bail in relation to First Information Report (FIR) No. 37 dated 13.04.2023 registered with Women Police Station,

District - Jind, Haryana, for the offences punishable under Sections 323, 341, 354A(1)(i), 354B, 354C, 354D, 376, 385, 386, 452, 506, 509 and 511 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, and Sections 66, 67A of the Information Technology Act, 2000.

3. The appellant, Parveen Malik @ Parveen Kumar Malik, has been in custody since 10.09.2023.
4. The State of Haryana filed its counter affidavit. It reflects that only 2 out of the 22 listed witnesses have been examined till date. There is, thus, no possibility of the trial concluding any time in the near future.
5. The complainant, respondent No. 2, is represented by learned counsel, but he states that he would not be filing a counter affidavit/reply on her behalf. He further states that the Court may go by the cross-examination of respondent No. 2, before the trial

Court.

6. Taking the said cross-examination into account, we are of the opinion that no grounds are made out for continued incarceration of the appellant, Parveen Malik @ Parveen Kumar Malik, pending conclusion of the trial.
7. Accordingly, we accept the present appeal and direct that the appellant, Parveen Malik @ Parveen Kumar Malik, shall be released on bail in connection with the aforesaid FIR on such appropriate terms and conditions as may be fixed by the trial Court.
8. In addition thereto, the appellant, Parveen Malik @ Parveen Kumar Malik, shall not intimidate or attempt to influence any witness during the course of the trial. He shall not approach the complainant, respondent No. 2, or seek to contact her through any other family member.
9. Further, the appellant, Parveen Malik

@ Parveen Kumar Malik, shall cooperate during the course of the trial and shall not delay the proceedings therein.

10. The impugned order is set aside and the appeal is allowed in the aforestated terms.

11. We clarify that we have not made any observations/comments on the merits of the case and any observation made in this order is meant only for the limited purpose of grant of bail.

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

.....J.
(SANJAY KUMAR)

.....J.
(K. VINOD CHANDRAN)

NEW DELHI;
APRIL 24, 2026.

ITEM NO.6

COURT NO.12

SECTION II-B

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. 4885/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 20-01-2026 in CRM-M No. 61852/2025 passed by the High Court of Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh]

PARVEEN MALIK @ PARVEEN KUMAR MALIK Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA & ANR.

Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and IA No. 83799/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 24-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. VINOD CHANDRAN

For Petitioner(s) :

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Mr. Amber Jain, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :

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Mr. Shishir Pinaki, AOR
Mr. D. Mahesh Babu, Adv.
Mr. Dhanaeswar Gudapalli, Adv.
Mr. Satyeyu Veer, Adv.
Mr. Bamandla Venkatesh, Adv.

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

Leave granted.

In terms of the signed order, it is directed that the appellant, Parveen Malik @ Parveen Kumar Malik, shall be released on bail in connection with First Information Report (FIR) No. 37 dated 13.04.2023 registered with Women Police Station, District - Jind, Haryana, for the offences punishable under Sections 323, 341, 354A(1)(i), 354B, 354C, 354D, 376, 385, 386, 452, 506, 509 and 511 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, and Sections 66, 67A of the Information Technology Act, 2000, on such appropriate terms and conditions as may be fixed by the trial Court.

The appeal is allowed in terms of the signed order.

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

(BABITA PANDEY)
AR-cum-PS

(PREETI SAXENA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)

(Signed order is placed on the file)