



IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. \_\_\_\_\_ /2026  
[ @ SLP [CRL.] NO.5101/2026 ]

JAY KANT BAJPAI @ JAY

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF U.P. & ANR.  
WITH

Respondent(s)

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. \_\_\_\_\_ /2026  
[ @ SLP(Crl) No.7251/2026 ]

O R D E R

Leave granted.

The appellants were convicted by the Trial Court for the offence punishable under Section 3(1) of the Uttar Pradesh Gangsters and Anti-Social Activities (Prevention) Act, 1986, and accordingly sentenced to undergo 10 years of rigorous imprisonment. Pending their appeals against the same, the High Court has rejected their applications for suspension of sentence, vide the impugned order. Aggrieved, the present appeals have been filed.

We have heard the learned counsel appearing

for the parties. We have also perused the impugned orders passed by the High Court.

We have been informed that the appellant in Criminal Appeal @ SLP [CRL.] NO.5101/2026 has already undergone nearly six years of incarceration.

Insofar as the appellant in Criminal Appeal @ SLP(Crl) No.7251/2026 is concerned, the learned counsel appearing for him submits that the said appellant has also undergone a similar period of incarceration. However, the learned counsel appearing for the respondent-State disputes the same.

Be that as it may, the fact remains that both the appellants have undergone incarceration for a considerable length of time, and the appeals before the High Court are of the year 2023 and might take some time for disposal.

Taking into consideration the above, we are inclined to suspend the sentences of the appellants during the pendency of their appeals

before the High Court.

Accordingly, the impugned orders are set aside, and the sentences of the appellants are suspended during the pendency of their appeals before the High Court, and they are granted bail on terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the concerned Trial Court.

The appeals stand allowed, accordingly.

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

.....J.  
[M.M. SUNDRESH]

.....J.  
[NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH]

NEW DELHI;  
MAY 08, 2026.

ITEM NO.13

COURT NO.5

SECTION II

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). 5101/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order  
dated 16-01-2026 in IA No.1/2023 in Criminal  
Appeal No.11247 of 2023 passed by the High Court  
of Judicature at Allahabad]

JAY KANT BAJPAI @ JAY

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF U.P. & ANR.  
FOR ADMISSION

Respondent(s)

IA No. 87763/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.  
IA No. 87759/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL  
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

WITH

SLP(Crl) No. 7251/2026 (II)  
FOR ADMISSION

IA No. 122700/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.  
IA No. 122699/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL  
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

Date : 08-05-2026 These matters were called on for  
hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M. SUNDRESH

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH

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Ms. Shweta Yadav, Adv.  
Mr. Harshit Gupta, Adv.  
Mr. Mayank Tiwari, Adv.

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made  
the following

**O R D E R**

Leave granted.

The appellants are granted bail on terms and  
conditions to the satisfaction of the Trial Court.

The appeals are allowed in terms of the  
signed order.

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

(ASHA SUNDRIYAL)  
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

(POONAM VAID)  
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

[Signed order is placed on the file]