

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO(s). OF 2026
(arising out of SLP (Crl.) No.5170 of 2026)

NAGAPPA & ORS.

APPELLANT(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF KARNATAKA

RESPONDENT(S)

AND

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO(s). OF 2026
(arising out of SLP (Crl.) No. of 2026
@ Dy. No. 16834/2026)

O R D E R

1. Delay condoned.
2. Leave granted.
3. The appellants challenge the judgment and order dated 21.08.2025 in Criminal Appeal No.200126/217 passed by the High Court of Karnataka at Kalaburagi, titled "Nagappa & Ors. vs. The State of Karnataka".
4. The facts of the case in a nutshell are that the accused persons, on 22.02.2013, formed an unlawful assembly armed with clubs, axes, and stones with the intention of assaulting Basavaraj (PW-1) and criminally intimidated him. The Trial Court convicted all the accused for the offences punishable under Sections 143, 148, 324, 326, 427, 504 and 506 r/w 149 of IPC. The High Court, while affirming the

conviction of the accused persons, modified the order of the Trial Court by reducing the sentence of the accused persons.

5. We have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the material available on record.

6. During the course of the hearing, we are informed that the complainant and injured persons, who were not parties before the High Court of Karnataka, have moved an application for impleadment to be arrayed as respondents and further submitted that they have amicably settled their disputes with the intervention of close friends and relatives of both the parties. In fact, they have filed a compromise deed dated 18.03.2026 stating that they have compromised the matter and the complainant states that he does not want to pursue the matter any further.

7. In this view of the matter, I.A.Nos.95269 and 99668 of 2026 seeking impleadment are allowed.

8. Further, since the parties have amicably resolved their disputes in terms of the Compromise Deed dated 18.03.2026, considering the fact that the parties have been litigating since the year 2013, in the attending facts and circumstances, we quash the proceedings arising out of FIR No.18/2013 registered at Police Station Jalahalli, District Raichur, Karnataka.

9. Learned counsel for the appellants submits that each one of the appellants shall deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) with the High Court Legal Services Authority, Karnataka, to be utilized for achieving its objects. Let the needful be done within a period of four (04) weeks from today, failing which the same shall be recovered as arrears of land revenue.

10. Accordingly, the present appeals are allowed.

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

.....J.
(SANJAY KAROL)

.....J.
(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)

NEW DELHI
10th APRIL, 2026

ITEM NO.40

COURT NO.11

SECTION II-E

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No.5170/2026
[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated
21.08.2025 in CRA No. 200126/2017 passed by the High Court of
Karnataka at Kalaburagi]

NAGAPPA & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF KARNATAKA

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 41451/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. and I.A. NO.
95269/206- FOR IMPLEADMENT)

WITH

Diary No(s). 16834/2026 (II-E)

(IA No. 95354/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING, IA No.
95355/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. AND I.A. NO.99668/2026-
FOR IMPLEADMENT)

Date : 10-04-2026 These matters were called on for hearing
today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KAROL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Ravi Kumar Tomar, AOR
Mr. Narendra Kumar Sharma, Adv.
Mr. Sanjay Yadav, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :Mr. Naveen Sharma, AOR

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

1. Applications for impleadment are allowed.
2. Delay condoned.
3. Leave granted.
4. Appeals are allowed in terms of signed order.
5. 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)