



**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

CRIMINAL APPEAL No. _____/2026
[Arising out of SLP (Crl.) No.5169/2026]

ALOK JAIN

APPELLANT

VERSUS

**STATE OF
MADHYA PRADESH**

RESPONDENT

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.
2. The High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Gwalior, by its judgment and order dated 30th January, 2026, has rejected the prayer of the appellant for bail in anticipation of arrest. This appeal is directed against such judgment and order.
3. Appellant figures as an accused in FIR No.0685 of 2025 dated 17th December, 2025 registered at Police Station Kotwali, District Ashok Nagar, Madhya Pradesh under Sections 108, 318(4), 296(b) and 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.
4. We have heard learned counsel appearing for the parties.

5. Appellant has joined investigation in terms of the earlier orders of this Court which, however, is yet to be concluded.

6. Having regard to the nature of allegations and taking an overall view of the matter, we are of the considered opinion that the appellant's detention for custodial interrogation is not necessary and that he may be admitted to an order for grant of bail in anticipation of arrest.

7. Accordingly, we set aside the impugned judgment and order.

8. It is directed that in the event of the appellant being arrested, he shall be released on bail on terms and conditions to be imposed by the trial court.

9. Since the investigation is yet to conclude, we direct that if the investigating officer calls upon the appellant to join the investigation, he shall do so by attending the police station failing which liberty is granted to bring any such omission to the notice of the trial court and seek cancellation of bail.

10. Needless to observe, the appellant shall not, directly or indirectly, by making inducement, threat

or promise, dissuade any person acquainted with the facts of the case from disclosing such facts to any police officer or to the court.

11. We clarify that the observations made in this order and grant of bail to the appellant in anticipation of arrest will not be treated as findings on the merits of the case.

12. The appeal is, accordingly, allowed on the aforesaid terms.

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

.....J.
(DIPANKAR DATTA)

.....J.
(SATISH CHANDRA SHARMA)

**New Delhi;
May 04, 2026.**

ITEM NO.10

COURT NO.8

SECTION II-E

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.)
No.5169/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order
dated 30-01-2026 in MCRC No.2054/2026 passed by the
High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Gwalior]

ALOK JAIN

Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF MADHYA PRADESH

Respondent

FOR ADMISSION

I.A. No.88976/2026-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 04-05-2026 This matter was called on for
hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DIPANKAR DATTA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SATISH CHANDRA SHARMA

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Mrs. Pratima Singh, Adv.
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**UPON 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.
3. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(MANIK KUMAR) (SUDHIR KUMAR SHARMA)
SENIOR PERSONAL ASSISTANT COURT MASTER (NSH)
(signed order is placed on the file)