

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 2078 OF 2013

THE STATE OF MADHYA PRADESH

APPELLANT

VERSUS

RAMANAND

RESPONDENT

O R D E R

1. Heard learned counsel for the appellant and perused the records.
2. The State has preferred this appeal against the judgment and order dated 14.12.2012 passed by the High Court whereby the conviction of the respondent under Section 302 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 ('the IPC') and sentence of life imprisonment has been altered to that under Section 304 Part I of IPC with ten years of rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs.25,000/-.
3. The High Court has assigned good and proper reasoning for converting the conviction and sentence from Section 302 to Section 304 Part I IPC so as to reduce the sentence from life to ten years.
4. The High Court has stated that the occurrence took place without pre-motivated mind in a heat of passion under sudden provocation. There was no intention of causing such bodily injury which may be likely to cause

death. The aforesaid finding is a finding of fact based upon evidence.

5. Accordingly, we are of the opinion that no error or illegality has been committed by the High Court in passing the impugned judgment.

6. The appeal is, accordingly, dismissed. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

.....J.
(PANKAJ MITHAL)

.....J.
(PRASANNA B. VARALE)

NEW DELHI
07th AUGUST, 2025
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SECTION II-E

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Date : 07-08-2025 This appeal was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PANKAJ MITHAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRASANNA B. VARALE

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Ms. Pooja, Adv.
Mr. Purushottam Sharma, Adv.

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

1. The appeal is dismissed in terms of the signed order. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(Nidhi Mathur)
Court Master (NSH)

(Geeta Ahuja)
Assistant Registrar-cum-PS