

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

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CRIMINAL) Diary No(s).17889/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 15-12-2025 in CRM(M) No.185/2025 passed by the High Court of Calcutta Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri]

GANESH MAHATO

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ANR.

RESPONDENT(S)

IA No. 112210/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING and IA No. 112223/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

Date : 23-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KAROL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIPUL M. PANCHOLI

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Manan Kumar Mishra, Sr. Adv.
Ms. Anjul Dwivedi, Adv.
Ms. Divya Roy, AOR

For Respondent(s) :Mr. Kunal Mimani, AOR
Mr. Prashant Alai, Adv.
Mr. Abhinav Rana, Adv.

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

1. The petitioner challenges the judgment and order dated 15.12.2025 in CRM(M) No.185 of 2025, titled "*Ganesh Mahato Vs. The State of West Bengal*", passed by the High Court at Calcutta.
2. Delay condoned.
3. We have heard learned counsel for the parties.
4. Issue notice, returnable on 25.05.2026.
5. Dasti service, in addition, is permitted. Let steps for service be taken within two (02) weeks.

6. Mr. Kunal Mimani, learned counsel, accepts notice on behalf of respondent no.1/State. Hence, the formal service of notice on the said respondent no.1 is waived.

7. Learned counsel for the petitioner to serve an advance copy of the present petition to the learned counsel for the respondent no.1 within a period of one (01) week.

8. Respondent no.1 shall file counter affidavit within three (03) weeks. Rejoinder affidavit thereto, if any, be filed before the next date of listing.

9. In the notice itself, let it be mentioned that respondent no.2 is required to file the counter affidavit and reply to the interlocutory application(s), if any, before the next date of listing.

(SOURAV PAL)
SENIOR PERSONAL ASSISTANT

(ANU BHALLA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)