

ITEM NO.4

COURT NO.7

SECTION II-A

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.6076/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 23-02-2026 in CRLM No. 11407/2026 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Patna]

SANJULA DEVI & ANR.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF BIHAR

Respondent(s)

IA No. 103997/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

IA No. 103996/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 30-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE J.B. PARDIWALA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIJAY BISHNOI

For Petitioner(s) : Ms. Anita Kanungo, AOR

For Respondent(s) : Mr. Anshul Narayan, Addl. Standing Counsel
Mr. Prem Prakash, AOR

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

1. By our order dated 13.04.2026, we requested the learned counsel appearing for the State to take appropriate instructions as regards the genesis of the occurrence and also about the incident alleged to have taken place at the house of the deceased.

2. We had also directed the petitioners to appear before the Investigating Officer for the purpose of interrogation.
3. We also protected the petitioners from any coercive steps being taken against them.
4. Today, when the matter was taken up for further hearing, the learned counsel appearing for the State submitted that the petitioners have not appeared before the Investigating Officer (I.O.); in fact, according to him, the Investigating Officer visited the house of the petitioners but the house was found to be locked. On the other hand, the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that they did appear before the I.O. and have joined the investigation. However, the learned counsel is unable to give us a precise date on which the petitioners visited the Police Station.
5. List the matter on 07.05.2026.
6. On the next date of hearing, the I.O. shall personally remain present before this Court.
7. Interim order to continue.
8. In the meantime, the learned counsel appearing for the State may file its Counter affidavit.

(CHANDRESH)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(POOJA SHARMA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)