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SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CRIMINAL) Diary No(s). 24238/2026

[Arising out of impugned judgment and order dated 24-11-2025 in CRADB No. 1250/2025 passed by the High Court of Jharkhand at Ranchi]

STATE OF JHARKHAND

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

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Respondent(s)

(IA No. 127405/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING
IA No. 127371/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED
JUDGMENT
IA No. 127399/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 29-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.V. VISWANATHAN
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIJAY BISHNOI

For Petitioner(s) :

Mr. Jayant Mohan, AOR
Mr. Nilesh Kumar, Adv.
Ms. Adya Shree Dutta, Adv.
Ms. Dorjee Ongmu Lachungpa, Adv.
Mr. Priyanshu Teotia, Adv.
Mr. Ankit Agrawal, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :

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

1. Applications for exemption from filing certified copy of the impugned judgment and exemption from filing official translation are allowed.
2. Delay condoned.

3. Heard Mr. Jayant Mohan, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner-State of Jharkhand.

4. Learned counsel submits that the High Court has erred in suspending the sentence of the respondent. Learned counsel draws attention to the definition of 'penetrative sexual assault' in the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012. Learned counsel submits that an attempt to commit penetrative sexual assault is clearly established and the sentence of 10 years has been rightly imposed by the Trial Court.

5. Issue notice returnable on 17th July, 2026.

(ANITA MALHOTRA)
AR-CUM-PS

(MANOJ KUMAR)
COURT MASTER