



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

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. _____ OF 2026
(Arising out of SLP (CrI.) No. _____ of 2026)
(Arising out of SLP(CrI.)Diary No.24286 of 2026)

TARA CHAND

...Appellant(s)

VERSUS

CBI

...Respondent (s)

O R D E R

- 1) Delay condoned.
- 2) Leave granted.
- 3) Arising out of judgment of conviction¹ for the charge under Section 13(1)(D)(2) of PC Act² read with Section 120B IPC³, Sections 419 r/w 120B IPC, 420 r/w 120B IPC, 467 r/w 120B IPC, 468 r/w 120 IPC and

1 Judgment of conviction dated 04.05.2022 and order of sentence dated 06.05.2022 passed by the Special Judge (CBI Court), Shimla, Himachal Pradesh

2 Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988

3 Indian Penal Code, 1860

471 r/w 120B IPC, which was confirmed by the impugned judgment⁴ of the High Court⁵, the present appeal has been filed.

4) The sentence as imposed are as under:

Section under which convicted	Sentence awarded	Fine imposed	I/D of payment of fine
Sec. 13(1)(D)(2) of PC Act r/w 120B IPC	4 years Rigorous Imprisonment	Rs.50,000/-	06 Months Rigorous Imprisonment
Section 419 r/w 120B IPC	3 years Rigorous Imprisonment	Rs.10,000/-	06 Months Rigorous Imprisonment
Section 420 r/w 120B IPC	3 years Rigorous Imprisonment	Rs.10,000/-	06 Months Rigorous Imprisonment
Section 467 r/w 120B IPC	7 years Rigorous Imprisonment	Rs.10,000/-	06 Months Rigorous Imprisonment
Section 468 r/w 120B IPC	3 years Rigorous Imprisonment	Rs.10,000/-	06 Months Rigorous Imprisonment
Section 471 r/w 120B IPC	3 years Rigorous Imprisonment	Rs.10,000/-	06 Months Rigorous Imprisonment
All the substantive sentences shall run concurrently			
Total sentence	07 years	Rs.1,00,000/-	I/D 03 years RI

5) The trial Court while imposing such

4 Judgment dated 29.07.2025 in Criminal Appeal No. 467 of 2022

5 High Court of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla

sentence directed that the substantive jail sentence shall run concurrently while the default sentences shall run consecutively.

6) As per the certificate produced before the Court as well by the learned Additional Solicitor General, the substantive jail sentence has already been served by the appellant. In the facts brought on record, the appellant has already undergone the sentence of more than 7 years. However, in our view, in the facts of this case, the direction for the default sentences to run consecutively shall stand set aside.

7) Therefore, the judgment is purged with the sentence already undergone and we waive the default sentences as directed.

8) With the aforesaid observations, this criminal appeal stands disposed of. The appellant be released forthwith, if not required in any other case. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

....., J.
[J.K. MAHESHWARI]

....., J.
[ATUL S. CHANDURKAR]

New Delhi;
May 12, 2026.

ITEM NO.16

COURT NO.3

SECTION II-C

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.
24286/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order
dated 29-07-2025 in CRA No. 467/2022 passed by
the High Court of Himachal Pradesh at Shimla]

TARA CHAND

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

CBI

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 133376/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN
FILING)

Date : 12-05-2026

This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE J.K. MAHESHWARI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ATUL S. CHANDURKAR

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UPON hearing the counsel

CrL.A. No. / 2026 (@SLP (CrL.)No. /2026)
(@ Diary No.24286/ 2026)

**the Court made the following
O R D E R**

- 1) Delay condoned.
- 2) Leave granted.
- 3) The criminal appeal stands disposed of in terms of the signed order. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

**(NIDHI AHUJA)
DEPUTY REGISTRAR**

**(NAND KISHOR)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**