

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

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No(s).7799/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 20-02-2026 in MCRC No.1808/2026 passed by the High Court of Chhattisgarh at Bilaspur]

SANTOSH SONI

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF CHHATTISGARH

RESPONDENT(S)

FOR ADMISSION

IA No. 130786/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 04-05-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KAROL

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASHI

For Petitioner(s) :

Mr. Sameer Shrivastava, AOR

Mr. Niteen Sinha, Adv.

Ms. Priyanka Shrivastava, Adv.

Dr. Sangeeta Verma, Adv.

Ms. Shruti Singh, Adv.

Mr. Chirag Joshi, Adv.

Ms. Aroma Khare, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :Mr. Apoorv Shukla, Adv.

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

1. Petitioner challenges the judgment and order dated 20.02.2026 in MCRC No.1808/2026 passed by the High Court of Chhattisgarh at Bilaspur, titled "*Santosh Soni vs. State of Chhattisgarh*".
2. We have heard learned counsel for the petitioner.
3. Issue notice, returnable on 25.05.2026.

4. Mr. Apoorv Shukla, learned counsel, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent/State. Hence, the formal service of notice on the respondent is waived.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner to serve a copy of the present petition to learned counsel for the respondent immediately.

6. Let counter affidavit be filed within one (01) week. Rejoinder affidavit thereto, if any, be filed before the next date of listing.

7. We make it clear that no further opportunity will be granted for this purpose.

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