



ITEM NO.31

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
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.)
No(s). 8241/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order
dated 23-03-2026 in MCRCA No. 440/2026 passed by
the High Court of Chhatisgarh at Bilaspur]

JEETRAM BHARTI

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF CHHATTISGARH

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 137623/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF
THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT IA No. 137626/2026 -
EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 07-05-2026 This matter was called on for
hearing today.

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

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Anchal Kumar Matre, Adv.
Mr. Ankit Borker, Adv.
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Mr. Mm Singh, Adv.
Mr. Santosh Dohre, Adv.
Ms. Alpana Sharma, AOR

For Respondent(s) :

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

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner placing reliance on a Division Bench judgment of the High Court of Chhattisgarh in the case of **Rajeshwar Prasad Dwivedi, vs. State of Chhattisgarh & Ors.** (Writ Petition (Criminal) No.141 of 2023 decided on 14.03.2023) submits that the petition for anticipatory bail is maintainable. However, vide order impugned it has been dismissed being barred by Section 15 of the Chhattisgarh Protection of Depositors' Interest Act, 2005. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the application has not been considered on merits and it is only dismissed as not maintainable. The said fact has not been disputed by learned counsel appearing for the State.

2. Considering the aforesaid, we set aside the order passed by the learned Single Judge and direct to restore MCRCA No. 440 of 2026 on the file of the High Court of Chhattisgarh in its original number for its decision on merits.

3. In the meantime, no coercive steps shall be taken against the petitioner.

4. Accordingly, the special leave petition stands disposed of. Pending applications, if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(GULSHAN KUMAR ARORA)
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

(NAND KISHOR)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR