

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

MISCELLANEOUS APPLICATION NO.345 OF 2026

IN

CIVIL APPEAL NO. 13761 OF 2025

N. VALLI

APPELLANT (S)

VERSUS

THE COMMISSIONER & ORS.

RESPONDENT (S)

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MISCELLANEOUS APPLICATION NO. _____ OF 2026

(DIARY NO. 4367 OF 2026)

IN

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O R D E R

1. Delay condoned.
2. These applications have been moved by the appellant in the civil appeal, as well as contesting respondent No.12. Both seek clarification of the order dated 17.11.2025. Having heard learned counsel/learned senior counsel for the parties, both these applications are disposed of with the following clarification/modification:

(i) Mediation has failed, so the option of amicable settlement, as of now, is not possible.

(ii) The interim arrangement made earlier vide order dated 17.11.2025, as modified further vide this order, shall be operative till the civil court of competent jurisdiction finally determines the *inter se* rights of the parties to perform the duties of *Pujari* (*Puja*).

(iii) If no such civil suit is filed or pending, the appellant shall have an option to file the same within two months.

(iv) Since the appellant is experiencing difficulty in performing *Puja* jointly with respondent No.12, the order dated 17.11.2025 is modified to the extent that the parties shall be entitled to perform *Puja* themselves or through any other authorised person for one week, alternatively coming every tenth week. It is made clear that the *Puja* shall be performed turn-wise, i.e., by the appellant exclusively for one week and by respondent No.12 exclusively on the next turn.

3. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand closed.

.....CJI
(SURYA KANT)

.....J.
(JOYMALYA BAGCHI)

.....J.
(VIPUL M. PANCHOLI)

NEW DELHI;
FEBRUARY 25, 2026.

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

Miscellaneous Application No. 345/2026 in C.A. No. 13761/2025

[Arising out of impugned judgment and order dated 17-11-2025 in C.A. No. 13761/2025 passed by the Supreme Court of India]

N. VALLI Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE COMMISSIONER & ORS. Respondent(s)

IA No. 307695/2025 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION

WITH

Diary No(s). 4367/2026 (XII-B)

IA No. 29344/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING

IA No. 24383/2026 - MODIFICATION OF COURT ORDER

Date : 25-02-2026 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JOYMALYA BAGCHI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIPUL M. PANCHOLI

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Ankur S. Kulkarni, AOR
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Mr. M.P. Parthiban, AOR
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For Respondent(s) :

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

Delay condoned.

IA No. 307695/2025, IA No. 24383/2026 and Miscellaneous Applications stand disposed of in terms of the signed order.

Pending application(s), if any, shall stand closed.

(NITIN TALREJA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PREETHI T.C.)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

(Signed order is placed on the file)