

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

**CRIMINAL APPEAL NO..... OF 2026
(@Petition for Special Leave to Appeal
(Crl.) No.5309/2026)**

SHARAD SEHGAL

APPELLANT

VERSUS

STATE OF UTTAR PRADESH & ANR.

RESPONDENTS

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.
2. This appeal arises from the order passed by the High Court of Allahabad dated 28.01.2026 in Criminal Miscellaneous Anticipatory Bail Application No. 10864 of 2025, by which the anticipatory bail application preferred by the Respondent No.2 before us (original accused) came to be allowed.

3. The defacto complainant is here before us being dissatisfied with the order passed by the High court granting anticipatory bail to the Respondent No.2-accused in connection with case Crime No. 780 of 2025 registered with Khurja Nagar Police Station, District Bulandshahr for the offence punishable under Sections 420, 467, 468 and 471, respectively of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short "the IPC").

4. We are informed that the Respondent No.2 has been served with the notice issued by this Court. The notice came to be served upon the respondent no.2 in District Jail, Bulandshahr as he is in judicial custody in connection with some different crime. The respondent no.2 has chosen not to remain present before this Court either in person or through an Advocate and oppose this appeal.

5. It is very unfortunate that the High Court

thought fit to release an accused on anticipatory bail against whom there are 22 FIRs registered for different offences. As on date also, he is in judicial custody in connection with some crime.

6. The criminal antecedents of the Respondent No.2 by itself were sufficient for the High Court to deny anticipatory bail.

7. The learned counsel appearing for the appellant brought to our notice that the criminal antecedents of the respondent no.2 were very much brought to the notice of the learned Judge but despite the same the Court proceeded to exercise its discretion in favour of the accused.

8. In view of the aforesaid, this appeal succeeds and is hereby allowed. The impugned order passed by the High Court ordering release of the Respondent No.2 on anticipatory bail is hereby set aside.

9. Pending application(s), if any, stands disposed of.

.....J.
[J.B.PARDIWALA]

.....J.
[VIJAY BISHNOI]

New Delhi
27th April, 2026

ITEM NO.6

COURT NO.7

SECTION II

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

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No.5309/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 28-01-2026 in CRMABAU482BNSS No. 10864/2025 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad]

SHARAD SEHGAL

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF UTTAR PRADESH & ANR.

Respondent(s)

FOR ADMISSION

IA No. 91114/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

IA No. 91113/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

Date : 27-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE J.B. PARDIWALA

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIJAY BISHNOI

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Raghavendra Mohan Bajaj, Adv.

Ms. Garima Bajaj, AOR

Mr. Shagun Aggarwal, Adv.

Mr. Sajal Awasthi, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :Dr. Vijendra Singh, AOR

Mr. Manish Kumar, Adv.

Mr. Kumar Abhinandan, Adv.

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

1. The appeal is allowed in terms of the signed order.
2. The relevant part of the signed order is as under:-

"this appeal succeeds and is hereby allowed. The impugned order passed by the High Court ordering release of the Respondent No.2 on anticipatory bail is hereby set aside."

3. Pending application(s), if any, stands disposed of.

(CHANDRESH)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(Signed order is placed on the file)

(POOJA SHARMA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)