

ITEM NO.17 Court 14 (Video Conferencing)

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 (CrI.) No(s). 89/2022

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 20-02-2019 in CRLP No. 7498/2015 passed by the High Court Of Karnataka At Bengaluru)

K. KESHAVARAJA

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF KARNATAKA

Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and I.R. and IA No.168433/2021-CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING and IA No.168434/2021-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. )

Date : 05-01-2022 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DINESH MAHESHWARI

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKRAM NATH

For Petitioner(s) Mr. Shailesh Madiyal, Adv.  
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Ms. Rakhi M, Adv.  
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Ms. Shailja Das, Adv.

For Respondent(s)

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

Delay condoned.

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and having perused the material placed on record, we are not persuaded to exercise the jurisdiction under Article 136 of the Constitution of India in this matter. Therefore, this petition is required to be dismissed.

While dismissing this petition, we also deem it appropriate to indicate that the FIR in the present case was lodged way back on 24.07.2009 and the Trial Court dismissed the discharge application

of the petitioner on 11.09.2015 and thereafter, the matter remained pending in the High Court before the High Court dismissed the Criminal Petition on 20.02.2019. Obviously, an excessive period has already elapsed since the filing of the charge sheet. In the given circumstances, we would expect the Trial Court to assign a reasonable priority to the matter and to proceed with the same expeditiously.

Subject to the observations foregoing, this petition stands dismissed.

All pending applications stand disposed of.

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