ITEM NO.35 COURT NO.3 SECTION IV-C

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

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) Diary No(s). 24170/2019
[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 28-11-2018 in WPC No. 1598/2016 passed by the High Court of Chhattisgarh at Bilaspur]

UNIWORTH LTD. Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF CHHATTISGARH & ORS. Respondent(s)

(IA No. 119072/2019 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING
IA No. 119074/2019 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT
IA No. 119073/2019 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.
IA No. 121130/2019 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.
IA No. 121128/2019 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

Date : 28-11-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE B.V. NAGARATHNA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEVENDRA KUMAR UPADHYAYA

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Vanshdeep Dalmia- 2650, AOR
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For Respondent(s) Mr. Atul Jha, A.A.G.
Mr. Abhishek Pandey Standing Counsel, Adv.
Mr. Prashant Kumar Umrao- 3563, AOR

Mr. Prashant Singh- 3583, AOR

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

1. Delay condoned.

2. We have heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the respondent-State of Chhattisgarh at length.

3. We have perused the impugned judgment as well as

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Reason:

Section 3 read with Section 2(d-i) of the Chhattisgarh Electricity Duty Act, 1949 (for short "the Act").

4. **According to learned counsel for the petitioner, Section 3 does not apply to the petitioner as the petitioner is not the 'producer' within the meaning of Section 2(d-i) of the aforesaid Act. If that is so, we wonder as to why the petitioner herein assailed Section 3 of the aforesaid Act. The High Court was justified in dismissing the Writ Petition. We find no merit in this Special Leave Petition. Hence, the Special Leave Petition is dismissed.**

5. **It is needless to observe that in response to the demand notice(s), the petitioner herein is at liberty to respond to the same. If such a reply is given by the petitioner, the same shall be considered in accordance with law and a speaking order shall be passed.**

6. **Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.**

(RADHA SHARMA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(DIVYA BABBAR)
COURT MASTER (NSH)