

ITEM NO.32

COURT NO.9

SECTION XI

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 for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No. 18518/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 18-03-2026 in FAFO No. 184/2025 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, Lucknow Bench]

ICICI LOMBARD GENERAL INSURANCE CO. LTD.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

SHASHI BALA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 160525/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT; IA No. 160524/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 26-05-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PANKAJ MITHAL

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.V.N. BHATTI

For Petitioner(s) Mr. Shoeb Alam, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Ishaan Chhaya, Adv.
Ms. Tanya Chaudhry, AOR

For Respondent(s) Mr. Santosh Kumar Pandey, AOR

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

1. Heard Mr. Shoeb Alam, learned senior counsel appearing for the petitioner.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner is permitted to implead the State of Uttar Pradesh as a party-respondent as the State had filed an affidavit before the High Court.
3. The amended cause title be filed within a week.

4. The submission of Mr. Shoeb Alam, learned senior counsel for the petitioner is that it is one of those cases where the fraud has been played upon and the same vehicle has been involved in three different accidents.

5. From the affidavit of the Superintendent of Police, Local Police Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh, it is evident that the said vehicle was involved in three Accident Claim Petitions being Claim Petition No. 408/2018 (Faizabad), Claim Petition No. 134/2018 (Faizabad) and Claim Petition No. 240/2021 (Barabanki). In respect of all these claim petitions, separate FIRs were lodged with delay and there appears to be no eye-witnesses. In all the three cases, Police had submitted charge sheet.

6. We would like to know from the State as to what action has been taken by it against the officers who submitted the charge sheets in the above three cases when in the opinion of the SSP, the above exercise is fraudulent in nature.

7. Issue notice.

8. Learned counsel appearing for the claimant may also seek instructions and file counter affidavit so also the State within a period of four weeks from today.

9. List immediately on the expiry of the above

period.

10. On the next occasion, after the reply of the State is filed, the Court will consider tagging of this petition with SLP(C) No. 2795/2026 whereunder such fraudulent cases are being separately monitored.

11. In the meantime, there shall be stay of the impugned order of the Tribunal dated 09.01.2025 provided Insurance Company deposits half of the amount awarded with 7 per cent interest per annum on the said half amount within a period of one month from today before the Trial Court.

12. On deposit of the said amount, it shall be invested in a fixed deposit with a nationalized bank and shall not be released in favour of the claimants without the leave of the Court.

(SNEHA DAS)
SENIOR PERSONAL ASSISTANT

(NIDHI MATHUR)
COURT MASTER (NSH)