

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

**CRIMINAL APPEAL NOS. _____ OF 2026
(Arising out of SLP (Criminal) No. 19077-19079 OF 2026)**

ITE DESIGNS PVT LTD & ANR.

APPELLANT(S)

VERSUS

HARISH CHANDRA (INDIA) LIMITED

RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.

2. The appellant(s) has approached this Court being aggrieved by the common impugned order dated 25.08.2026 passed by the High Court of Delhi at New Delhi in CRL. M.C. No. 1682 of 2011, CRL. M.A. No. 1332 of 2025 and CRL.M.A. No. 1333 of 2025.

3. The appellant(s) had preferred a petition under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 seeking quashment of criminal proceedings, wherein an interim order was initially granted in his favor. Subsequently, the said petition was dismissed for want of prosecution.

4. The appellant(s) thereafter moved an application for restoration of the petition along with an application seeking condonation of delay. The High Court, however, dismissed the application for condonation of delay and consequently rejected the restoration application.

5. Learned counsel for the respondent has vehemently argued that no sufficient cause was shown to explain the delay and, therefore, the High Court was fully justified in dismissing the application.

6. Having heard learned counsel for the parties, this Court is of the opinion that since the matter was never decided on merits, the appellant(s) deserves an opportunity to have his petition adjudicated on merits.

7. Accordingly, impugned order passed by the High Court is set aside and CRL. M.C. No. 1682 of 2011 is restored to the file of the High Court for consideration on merits, subject to payment of costs of Rs.25,000/- by the appellant(s) to the respondent.

8. The appeal(s) is allowed in the above terms.

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

.....J.
[SATISH CHANDRA SHARMA]

.....J.
[NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH]

NEW DELHI;
12th October, 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

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No(s). 19077-
19079/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 25-08-2026 in CRLMC No. 1682/2011 25-08-2026 in CRLMA No. 1332/2025 25-08-2026 in CRLMA No. 1333/2025 passed by the High Court of Delhi at New Delhi]

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HARISH CHANDRA (INDIA) LIMITED

Respondent(s)

FOR ADMISSION

Date : 12-10-2026 These petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SATISH CHANDRA SHARMA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Abhinav Hansaria- 2973, AOR

For Respondent(s) :Mr. Siddharth Sangal- 2184, AOR
Mr. Atul Sahi, Adv.
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Ms. Richa Mishra, Adv.
Ms. Mrinalini Tandon, Adv.
Ms. Kashishi Tewatia, Adv.

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

1. Leave granted.
2. The appeals are allowed in terms of the signed order placed on the file.
3. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(RAHUL KUMAR)
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