

ITEM NOS.20+35

COURT NO.14

SECTION IV-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 (C) No(s). 27703/2026

[Arising out of impugned order dated 22-07-2026 in WP No.31006/2025 passed by the High Court of Madhya Pradesh Principal Seat at Jabalpur]

NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY OF INDIA

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

DURGA SINGH &amp; ORS.

Respondent(s)

FOR ADMISSION

WITH

SLP (C) No(s). 28116/2026

FOR ADMISSION

Date : 13-08-2026 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.V. VISWANATHAN  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

For Petitioner(s) Ms. Aishwarya Bhati, A.S.G.  
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M/s Nma Law Chambers, Adv.

For Respondent(s)

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

1. Ms. Aishwarya Bhati, learned Additional Advocate General appearing for the petitioners drawing attention to the judgment of this Court passed in Civil Appeal No.2320/2021 titled as "*the State of Uttar Pradesh & Ors. vs. Dr. Manoj Kumar Sharma*", reported in (2021) 7 SCC 806, submits that summoning should only be resorted to in exceptional circumstances.

2. We are satisfied that there was no exceptional circumstances in these matters. Hence, we inclined to set aside the impugned order and we permit the petitioners/noticees to appear through their designated counsel in both these petitions.

3. With the above observations, the Special Leave Petitions are disposed of.

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

(NIRMALA NEGI)  
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(MANOJ KUMAR)  
COURT MASTER (NSH)