

17th July, 2026
(D/L No.58)
Ct. No.4
(SKB)

M.A.T. 2263 of 2025
With
CAN 1 of 2026
CAN 2 of 2026

The Director General, Central Reserve
Police Force and others
Versus
Rick Biswas and others

Mr. Brijendra Pratap Singh,
Mr. Samrat Ghosh
... for the appellants.

Mr. Siddhartha Sankar Mandal,
Ms. Sharmistha Dhar
... for the respondents.

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1. It is submitted by the learned advocate for the appellants that there is delay of 50 days in preferring the appeal, which is inadvertently stated as 51 days in the application for condonation of delay.
2. In view of the nature of order proposed to be passed, the respondents did not raise any objection to the condonation application.
3. The delay is condoned.
4. The application for condonation bearing CAN 1 of 2026 is allowed.

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5. According to the learned advocate for the Union of India/appellants, the Apex Court in the case

of ***Union of India and others Vs. Atul Kumar Verma and others*** in ***Civil Appeal No(s) 4423-4426/2026 SLP (C) Nos. 13390-13393/2026*** and ***Diary No.68753/2025*** has already settled the controversy pending in the present case.

6. As per decision of the Apex Court, a candidate who participated in the process of recruitment of constables (GD) in the force and his height if found/measured as 169.5 centimetres and above, then 0.5 would have to be ignored and 169.5 and more would have to be rounded off to the next higher centimetre. Such candidate cannot be disqualified on ground of less height, if they are 169.5 centimetres or above.
7. The Hon'ble Apex Court passed such order in an appeal in identical circumstances as arising for consideration in the present case.
8. The learned advocate for the appellants fairly submits that since the writ petitioner was not found to be below 169.5 centimetres during his height measurement, therefore, nothing survives in the present appeal.
9. The learned advocate for the Appellants thereafter submits that the Union of India is in the process of seeking review of the order dated 13th April, 2026 passed in the above noted case

by the Hon'ble Apex Court. It would not be appropriate for this Court to comment on such submission. We, therefore, refrain from making any observation in respect of such submission.

10. Since the appeal has become infructuous in view of the above noted decision of the Hon'ble Apex Court, the same is accordingly disposed of.

11. Pending application, if any, also stands disposed of.

12. Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties upon compliance of all necessary formalities.

(Madhuresh Prasad, J.)

(Prasenjit Biswas, J.)