



ITEM NO.12

COURT NO.1

SECTION II

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).12160/2025

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated
28-07-2025 in BA No. 2191/2025 passed by the Gauhati High
Court]

MD JOYNAL ABEDIN

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM

Respondent(s)

Date : 08-12-2025 This petition was called on for hearing
today.

CORAM : HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JOYMALYA BAGCHI

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Akhilesh Lal, Adv.
Mr. Syed Mehdi Imam, AOR
Mr. Mohd Parvez Dabas, Adv.
Mr. Uzmi Jamil Husain, Adv.
Mr. Tabrez Ahmad, Adv.
Mr. S. U. Abbas, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :Ms. Diksha Rai, AOR
Ms. Purvat Wali, Adv.
Mr. Piyush Vyas, Adv.

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

1. The petitioner seeks enlargement on bail in FIR
No.64/2025 dated 16.05.2025 registered at Police Station
Gossaigaon under Sections 152, 196, 197(1)(a), 113(3),
352 and 353 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 read
with Section 67 of the Information Technology Act, 2000.

2. The petitioner was arrested on the same date when the FIR was registered. The allegations are that the petitioner posted some seditious, misleading, and detrimental remarks on Facebook against national unity, which are reproduced in the FIR.

3. The petitioner is also reportedly an accused in two other cases, where he is alleged to have molested the girl students/female employees at the workplace. Out of these, it is stated that the petitioner has been acquitted in one case.

4. Learned State counsel informs that after completing the investigation, charge-sheet was filed, and now charges have been framed. The prosecution proposes to examine four witnesses. It seems to us that the conclusion of trial will take some reasonable time. The petitioner has remained in custody for more than six months.

5. Taking into consideration all such factors, but without expressing any opinion on the merits, the petitioner is directed to be released on bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Trial Court. In addition to the other conditions that may be imposed by the Trial Court, the petitioner shall remain present before the Trial Court on each and every date of hearing.

6. This order, however, shall not be construed as a ground for reinstatement of the petitioner, especially

keeping in view the allegations of the petitioner misbehaving with girl students.

7. The Special Leave Petition is, accordingly, disposed of.

8. All pending applications, if any, also stand disposed of.

(ARJUN BISHT)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PREETHI T.C.)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR