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**SC rejects plea against
BJP MLA's disqualification**

BHOPAL, BHNS: The Supreme Court on Friday rejected the Madhya Pradesh government's special leave petition (SLP) against the High Court's stay on disqualification of a BJP MLA.

The MLA, Prahalad Lodhi, was sentenced to a two-year jail term by a fast track court in Bhopal on October 31. The SLP was filed by senior lawyers Kapil Sibal and Vivek Tankha.

Lodhi was convicted by a designated special court for public representatives in Bhopal, in a case related to an attack on a public servant who was trying to stop illegal mining. Following the conviction, the speaker of the state Vidhan Sabha N P Prajapati had issued a notification, disqualifying him as the member of the state Assembly, as per a Supreme Court order of 2013 in the Lily Thomas case.

Lodhi challenged his conviction and subsequent disqualification from the state Assembly in the state high court, where a single judge bench stayed both orders till January 7.

Thereafter, the BJP questioned the speaker's motive and petitioned the state governor Lalji Tondon, requesting him to annul his order.