

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 333 of 2026

1. Satyendra Yadav, Aged about 43 years, s/o- Late. Ramchandra Yadav,
2. Aklesh Yadav @ Akhilesh Yadav, aged about 35 years, s/o- Chandradev
Yadav
Both R/o- Vill- Masuriya, P.O- Chak, P.S- Manatu, Dist- Palamau,
Jharkhand
... Petitioners

-Versus-

The State of Jharkhand
... Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioners : Mr. Rakesh Kumar No.2, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Bhola Nath Ojha, Spl. P.P.

02/22.01.2026 Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioners and learned
counsel appearing for the State.

2. The petitioners are apprehending their arrest in connection with
Manatu P.S. Case No. 20 of 2025, corresponding to N.D.P.S. Case No. 14 of
2025, registered for the offence under Sections 8(B), 18(B) and 29 of the
NDPS Act and 33 Indian Forest Act, pending in the Court of the learned
Court of Special Judge, N.D.P.S. Act, Palamau.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submit that false
allegation is made against the petitioners for cultivation of poppy plant in
the forest land. He also submits that the land is of the forest department
which is not belonging to the petitioners. It is next submitted that
petitioner has got no criminal antecedent, as disclosed in para-16 of the
petition.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State opposed the prayer and
submits that there is allegation of cultivation of poppy plant in the forest
land.

5. Considering that the land is of the forest department that is not
belonging to the petitioners and the petitioners have got no criminal

antecedents, I am inclined to extend the privilege of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, the above-named petitioners are directed to surrender before the learned Court within three weeks from today and in the event of his arrest or surrender, he shall be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Twenty Five Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Court of Special Judge, N.D.P.S. Act, Palamau in connection with Manatu P.S. Case No. 20 of 2025, corresponding to N.D.P.S. Case No. 14 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

Dated: 22nd January, 2026
Vedanti/-