

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A. B. A. No. 262 of 2026

Rajesh Kumar Raju @ Raju Saw, aged about 37 years, son of Puran Saw,
resident of village-Toti Hesla, P.O. Toti, P.S. Latehar, District-Latehar
..... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI
For the Petitioner :Mr. Nilesh Kumar, Advocate
For the State : Mr. B.N. Ojha, A.P.P.

02/ 21.01.2026: Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
counsel for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with
Balumath P.S. Case No. 119 of 2025, registered under sections 17(b), 22(b)
and 29 of NDPS Act, pending in the Court of learned Special Judge, NDPS,
Latehar.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the name of the
petitioner has come on the confessional statement and 1.066 kg of opium
was recovered from the possession of co-accused Rajesh Kumar Saw and
Jitendra Saw and quantity is intermediary. He further submits that although
the petitioner has one criminal antecedent but the same is not similar in
nature.

4. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer and submits
that the name of the petitioner has come on the confessional statement of
the co-accused and the petitioner is supplier of the said article.

5. Considering that the name of the petitioner has come in the
confessional statement of the co-accused and the said opium has been
recovered from the possession of the co-accused and the quantity is
intermediary and further the petitioner has one criminal antecedent which is
not similar in nature, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Accordingly, the above named, petitioner is directed to surrender before the learned court within four weeks from today and in the event of his surrender / arrest, the petitioner shall be released on bail, on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 25,000/- (twenty five thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned Special Judge, NDPS, Latehar in connection with Balumath P.S. Case No. 119 of 2025, subject to conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of B.N.S.S, 2023.

Dt.21.01.2026

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(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)