

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI

A.B.A. No. 430 of 2026

Jitendra Kumar, aged about 21 years, son of Naresh Saw,
resident of Village Ara, PO Ganeshpur, PS Balumath and District
Latehar

.... Petitioner

-- Versus --

The State of Jharkhand

.... Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner

:- Mr. Randhir Kumar, Advocate

For the State

:- Mr. Prabir Kr Chatterjee, Advocate

2/28.01.2026 Heard learned counsels for petitioner and for State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Balumath PS Case No.128 of 2025, for offence registered under section 338, 336(3), 340(2), 303(2), 317(5) of BNS, 2023 and Rule 21 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation and Development) Act, 1957 and Rule 13 of Jharkhand Minerals (Prevention of Illegal Mining, Transportation and Storage) Rules, 2017, pending in court of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Latehar.

3. Learned counsel for petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case and the petitioner has nothing to do with the coal which has been loaded on the two trucks. On these grounds, he submits that the anticipatory bail may kindly be granted.

4. Learned State counsel opposes prayer and submits that on

instruction of the petitioner the said coal was loaded on the said trucks on the basis of false documents and even the petitioner is having two criminal antecedents of identical nature.

5. Considering that the petitioner is having criminal antecedent of similar nature and on the basis of forged documents the said coal was loaded on the said trucks on the instruction of the petitioner, I am not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to petitioner.

6. Accordingly, the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner is hereby rejected and as such A.B.A. No.430 of 2026 is hereby dismissed.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

28.01.2026

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