

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Criminal Appeal (D.B.) No. 175 of 2026

Gulshan Hembrom @ Gullu Hembrom **Appellant**
Versus

The State of Jharkhand **Respondent**

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RONGON MUKHOPADHYAY
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRADEEP KUMAR SRIVASTAVA

For the Appellant : Mrs. Rashmi Kumar, Advocate
For the State : A.P.P.

I.A. No. 256 of 2026

04/23.04.2026 Heard Mrs. Rashmi Kumar, learned counsel for the
appellant and learned A.P.P. for the State.

 This interlocutory application has been preferred by the
appellant for grant of bail to him during the pendency of this
appeal.

 The appellant has been convicted for the offences u/s
376AB of the Indian Penal Code and Section 6 of the POCSO Act
and has been sentenced to undergo R.I. for 20 years along with a
fine of Rs. 10,000/- for the offence u/s 6 of the POCSO Act.

 It has been alleged that the appellant had made an
aggravated penetrative assault upon the victim.

 Though, it has been submitted by the learned counsel
for the appellant that the appellant was a juvenile at the time of
the incident and there has been an inordinate unexplainable delay
of six days in lodging the First Information Report but the evidence
of the victim who has been examined as P.W.1 and her medical
report is suggestive of the act of the appellant as alleged by the
victim. It further appears from the medical report that the age of
the victim has been assessed to be between 7-8 years.

 Regard being had to the above, we are not inclined to
admit the appellant on bail. His prayer for bail is hereby rejected.

I.A. No. 256 of 2026 stands rejected.

(Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J.)

(Pradeep Kumar Srivastava, J.)