

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A. B. A. No. 428 of 2026

1. Chailitar Ganjhu @ Chalitar Ganjhu, aged about 39 years, son of Kapil Ganjhu,
 2. Manoj Ganjhu, aged about 25 years, son of Pokhan Ganjhu
 3. Sewak Kumar, aged about 39 years, son of Kuleshwar Ganjhu
- All residents of village Ahri, Chordaha, P.O. and P.S. Chouparan,
District-Hazaribagh

..... ... Petitioners

Versus

The State of Jharkhand

..... ... Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioners

:Mr. Pranav Kumar, Advocate

For the State

: Mr. Rakeh Ranjan, A.P.P

04/ 28.01.2026: Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned counsel for the State.

2. The petitioners are apprehending their arrest in connection with Chouparan P.S. Case No. 46 of 2025 registered under sections 17(c) and 18(b) of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substance Act, 1985, pending in the Court of learned District & Sessions Judge-cum-NDPS, Act, Hazaribagh.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have been falsely implicated in this case only on the basis of suspicion. He further submits that allegations are made of cultivation of poppy plant in the forest area and even the land is not belonging to the petitioners. He next submits that petitioners have no criminal antecedent which is disclosed in para 18 of the petition and co-accused has been granted anticipatory bail in A.B.A. No. 5579 of 2025. On these grounds, he submits that the petitioners may kindly be provided privilege of anticipatory bail.

4. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer and submits that allegations are there of cultivation of poppy plant in the forest area.

5. Considering that land is of the Forest Department and the

petitioners have got no criminal antecedent which is disclosed in para 18 of the petition and co-accused has been granted anticipatory bail in the aforesaid A.B.A, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners. Accordingly, the above named, petitioners are directed to surrender before the learned court within three weeks from today and in the event of their surrender / arrest, the petitioners shall be released on bail, on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 25,000/- (twenty five thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned District & Sessions Judge-cum-NDPS, Act, Hazaribagh, in connection with Chouparan P.S. Case No. 46 of 2025, subject to conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of B.N.S.S, 2023.

Dt.28.01.2026

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(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)