

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
B.A. No. 1329 of 2026

Deepak Kumar Das @ Deepak Ravidas, Son of Ledo Ram
... .. **Petitioner**
Versus
1. The State of Jharkhand
2. Ranjeet Prajapati, S/o Dwarika Prajapati **Opp. Parties**

CORAM: HON’BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANUBHA RAWAT CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner	: Mr. S. Hamidul Hage, Advocate
For the State	: Mr. Achinto Sen, Advocate
For the Informant	: Mr. M. I. Khan, Advocate

04/15th April 2026

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 04.11.2025 in custody in connection with Tatijhariya P.S. Case No. 45/2025 for the offence registered under Section 87, 126(2), 117(2), 352, 108, 3(5) of BNS, now said to have been pending in the court of learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Hazaribag.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that as per the FIR, the alleged incident is of 18.10.2025 and the victim died on 19.10.2025. The learned counsel submits that though the information to the police is dated 19.10.2025, but the FIR has been instituted only on 04.11.2025. The learned counsel submits that there is inordinate delay in registering the FIR. He has also submitted that the victim had consumed poison at her home and the mother of the victim, who has been examined as P.W.-1, has been declared hostile.
3. Learned counsel for the State has opposed the prayer and has submitted that as per the allegation, the petitioner and the victim had affair and on account of their belonging to different castes, there was a refusal for marriage. However, when the victim went to the house of the petitioner, she was assaulted and after returning from there, she committed

suicide. He has also submitted that as per the post-mortem report, there are anti-mortem injuries.

4. After hearing the learned counsel for the parties and considering the direct allegation made against the petitioner, this Court is not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail. Hence, this bail application is rejected.

5. Merely because the mother of victim is said to have turned hostile, the same is not a reason to grant bail to the petitioner at this stage.

6. However, the State is directed to ensure prompt production of the remaining witnesses during trial.

7. Learned counsel for the State is directed to communicate a copy of this order to the Director, Prosecution as well as Superintendent of Police of the concerned district to ensure prompt production of the witnesses on the date as may be fixed by the learned trial court.

8. Let a copy of this order be communicated to the court concerned through 'e-mail/FAX'.

(Anubha Rawat Choudhary, J.)

Dated: 15.04.2026

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