

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI**

**B.A. No. 1610 of 2026**

Surja Paharia @ Suresh Malto @ Surya Paharia

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Versus

The State of Jharkhand

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**Opposite Party**

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**CORAM :HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANUBHA RAWAT CHOUDHARY**

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For the Petitioner : Mr. Akhouri Awinash Kumar, Advocate

For the Opp. Party : Mr. Rakesh Kumar Sinha, Advocate

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**03/24.03.2026**

The learned counsel for the petitioner has referred to the order dated 28.01.2026 to submit that bailable warrant was issued for production of charge sheeted witnesses and the prosecution was directed to produce witnesses and the next date was 12.02.2026. He submits that thereafter the next date was 27.02.2026 and on that day also, the State did not produce any witness and the matter was adjourned awaiting execution report of the warrant of arrest. The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that 25.03.2026 is the next date in this case.

2. The learned counsel for the State is directed to file a counter affidavit by seeking instruction from the Superintendent of Police, Pakur as to why the witnesses have not been produced. The counter affidavit should be filed by 15.04.2026.

3. In the meantime, office is directed to call for a status report in connection with S.T. Case No.169 of 2024 arising out of Littipara P.S. Case No.23 of 2024, corresponding to G.R. No.604 of 2024, from the court of learned Additional Sessions Judge – I, Pakur, wherein the status of the case as on 15.04.2026 should reflect.

4. Post this case on 20.04.2026.

5. Let a copy of this order be communicated to the learned court concerned through “FAX/email”.

**(Anubha Rawat Choudhary, J.)**