

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cr. Appeal (DB) No.202 of 2026

Mukesh Rai, aged about 32 years, Son of Sukhdev Rai @ Sukhdev Ray,
Resident of village – Motileda, P.O. – Motileda, P.S. – Bengabad, Dist.-
Giridih ... Appellant

Versus

The State of Jharkhand

... Respondent

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

For the Appellant : Mr. A.K. Kashyap, Sr. Advocate
For the State : Mr. Pankaj Kr. Mishra, A.P.P.

Order No.03/Dated- 17.04.2026

I.A. No.4082 of 2026

1. Heard Mr. A.K. Kashyap, learned senior counsel for the appellant and learned A.P.P.
2. This application has been preferred by the appellant for grant of bail to him during the pendency of this appeal.
3. The appellant has been convicted for the offence under Section 307 of the Indian Penal Code and has been sentenced to undergo R.I. for 10 years along with fine of Rs.10,000/-.
4. It has been alleged that the informant while he was returning from the market, was fired upon by the appellant and two other unknown persons which resulted in his suffering grievous injuries on his right thigh and thorax.
5. Submission has been advanced by learned senior counsel for the appellant that the injury report has not been exhibited by the prosecution. It has been submitted that neither the doctor has been examined nor the main Investigating Officer has been examined. Learned senior counsel submits that none of the witnesses have been able to establish any motive for firing upon the informant. Learned senior counsel adds that the appellant is in custody for more than three years.

6. Learned A.P.P. has opposed the prayer for bail of the appellant.

7. Regard being had to the dearth of evidence indicating the participation of the appellant in firing at the informant, we are inclined to admit the appellant on bail. Accordingly, during the pendency of this appeal, the appellant is directed to be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned Additional Sessions Judge-VI, Giridih in Sessions Trial Case No.132 of 2013 arising out of Bengabad P.S. Case No.185 of 2007.

8. I.A. No.4082 of 2026 is allowed accordingly.

(Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J.)

(Pradeep Kumar Srivastava, J.)

Dated: 17th April, 2026

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