

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cr. Appeal (DB) No.345 of 2026

Biplab Ghosh @ Pipla Ghosh, aged about 36 years, Son of
Bishwanath Ghosh, Resident of village – Kashinagar, P.O. –
Beniyagram, P.S. – Farakka, District – Murshidabad (West Bengal)
... 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. Manoj Kumar Choubey, Adv.
For the State : Mrs. Priya Shrestha, Spl. P.P.

Order No.03/Dated- 20.04.2026

1. Heard Mr. Manoj Kumar Choubey, learned counsel for the appellant and learned Spl. P.P.
2. This appeal is directed against the order dated 28.01.2026 passed in M.C.A. No.29 of 2026 by learned Additional Sessions Judge-I, Sahibganj arising out of Barharwa Rail P.S. Case No.12 of 2025, whereby and whereunder the prayer for bail of the appellant has been rejected.
3. It has been alleged that two persons carrying backpacks were apprehended at Barharwa Railway Station and on inquiry, they disclosed their names as Tirth Singh and Indrapreet Singh who were residents of Ludhiana in Punjab. In course of search, Rs.2,14,000/- and an amount of Rs.1,98,000/- were recovered from Tirth Singh as well as Indrapreet Singh and the said notes were found to be fake.
4. Submission has been advanced by learned counsel for the appellant that the appellant has been implicated on the confession of the apprehended accused Tirth Singh and Indrapreet Singh. It has been submitted that though an allegation has been made that it was the present appellant who had supplied the fake currency notes in lieu of real notes but neither there has been any recovery of any incriminating materials from the possession of the appellant nor the appellant

has been put on Test Identification Parade (T.I.P.). Learned counsel submits that the appellant is in custody since 04.08.2025. It has also been submitted that the appellant does not have any criminal antecedent.

5. Learned Spl. P.P. has opposed the prayer for bail of the appellant but has admitted to the fact that there is no recovery of any incriminating articles from the possession of the appellant and the only incriminating factor which is against the appellant, is of the confessional statement of the apprehended accused persons.
6. Regard being had to the manner of implication of the appellant, we while setting aside the order dated 28.01.2026 passed in M.C.A. No.29 of 2026 by learned Additional Sessions Judge-I, Sahibganj arising out of Barharwa Rail P.S. Case No.12 of 2025, direct that the appellant be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned Additional Sessions Judge-I, Sahibganj in connection with Barharwa Rail P.S. Case No.12 of 2025.
7. Accordingly, this appeal is allowed.

(Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J.)

(Pradeep Kumar Srivastava, J.)

Dated: 20th April, 2026

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