

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

Cr. Appeal (S.J) No. 185 of 2025

Muku Pradhan @ Devbrat Pradhan Appellant

Versus

1.The State of Jharkhand

2.Parwati Mukhi Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY PRASAD

For the Appellant : Mr. Anjani Kumar, Advocate

For the State : None

05/Dated:25th September, 2025

I.A. No.13401 of 2025

This Criminal Appeal has been filed on behalf of the appellant challenging the judgment of conviction and sentence dated 21.01.2025 passed by Sri Surya Bhushan Ojha, learned Additional Sessions Judge-I-Spl. Judge (S.C/S.T Act), West Singhbhum at Chaibasa, in connection with S.C/S.T Case No.05 of 2017, arising out of Chakradharpur P.S. Case No.40 of 2016 by which the appellant has been convicted for the offence under Section 456 of IPC and sentenced to undergo R.I. for one (01) year and pay the fine of Rs.2,000/-.

2. I.A. No.13401 of 2025 has been filed on behalf of the appellant for suspension of sentence and for grant of bail to the appellant, during pendency of the present Criminal Appeal.

3. It is submitted that during pendency of this appeal, the learned Trial Court had granted provisional bail to the appellant for one month vide order dated 21.01.2025. However, the matter could not be pressed earlier and the period had expired and thereafter the appellant has surrendered on 16.09.2025 and hence he may be granted bail.

4. None appears for the State.

5. Having heard learned counsel for the appellant and in view of the fact that the appellant has been convicted for the offence under Section 456 of IPC and sentenced to undergo R.I. One (01) year, the appellant namely, Muku Pradhan @ Devbrat Pradhan is directed to be released on bail, on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.10,000/- (Ten thousand only) with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned Additional Sessions Judge-I-Spl. Judge (S.C/S.T Act), West Singhbhum at Chaibasa, in connection with S.C/S.T Case No.05 of 2017, arising out of Chakradharpur P.S. Case No.40 of 2016.
6. Accordingly, I.A. No.13401 of 2025 is allowed and stands disposed of.
7. Let a copy of this order be sent to the learned Court below by FAX today.

(Sanjay Prasad, J.)