

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cr. Appeal (DB) No. 499 of 2026

Raj Kumar Bhagat @ Rajkumar Bhagat

... **Appellant**

Versus

State of Jharkhand

... **Respondent**

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUJIT NARAYAN PRASAD
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY PRASAD

For the Appellant	: Mr. Ayush Kumar, Advocate
	: Mr. Rakesh Kr. Mandal, Advocate
For the State	: Mrs. Nehala Sharmin, Spl. P.P.

04/Dated: 10th July, 2026

1. This Court, on last occasion, i.e., on 12th June 2026 has called for a status report from the learned Trial Court.
2. A perusal of the report (Letter No. 90 of 2026 dated 27th June 2026), received therefrom, reveals that 12 witnesses have been examined so far, while 7 witnesses remain to be examined.
3. However, as per Para-3 of the order dated 7th April 2025 (contained in Annexure 1), the total number of witnesses have been said to be 25.
4. Furthermore, the impugned order, rejecting the bail application, records the total number of witnesses as 46, out of which 12 prosecution witnesses have reportedly been examined.
5. In view of discrepancy regarding the total number of witnesses, the learned counsel for the State is directed to file an affidavit clarifying the issue.
6. At the request of the learned counsel for the State, list this matter

on 14th August 2026.

7. In the meantime, let a fresh report be called for from the learned Trial Court to verify and clarify the aforementioned facts.

(Sujit Narayan Prasad, J.)

(Sanjay Prasad, J.)

10th July, 2026
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