

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI**A.B.A. No. 1886 of 2026**

Surendra Prasad Mehta, aged about 47 years son of Dhnpat Prasad Mehta, resident of Alaunja Kalan, PO Ichak, PS Ichak, District Hazaribagh, Jharkhand Petitioner

-- Versus --
The State of Jharkhand Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner :- Mr. Krishna Prajapati, Advocate
For the State :- Mr. Sunil Kr. Dubey, Advocate

2/22.04.2026 Heard learned counsels for petitioner and for State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Complaint Case No.289 of 2019, for offence registered under section 21 of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, Rule 54 of Jharkhand Minor Minerals Concession Rules and Rule 13 of Jharkhand Minerals (Prevention of Illegal Mining, Transportation and Storage) Rules, 2007, pending in court of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Hazaribagh.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner happened to be the owner of the Hywa truck and the allegations are made of loading 400 cft metal on the said Hywa truck. He next submits that the fine amount has already been deposited by the petitioner to the tune of Rs.17,600/-.

4. Learned State counsel opposes prayer and submits that the petitioner happened to be the owner of the truck and the

allegations are there of loading 400 cft metal on the said Hywa truck without any transport challan.

5. Considering that the petitioner happened to be the owner of the Hywa truck and the fine amount has already been deposited by way of Annexure-1, and in that view of the matter, the petitioner, above named, is, hereby, directed to surrender before learned court within two weeks from today, and learned court shall release the petitioner, above named, on such terms and conditions as well as sureties as the learned court may deem fit and proper.

6. A.B.A. No.1886 of 2026 is disposed of.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

22.04.2026

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