

( 2026:JHHC:18756 )

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI**  
**B.A. No.2403 of 2026**

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Munna Pradhan @ Gagan Pradhan, aged about 35 years, son of Late Shridhar Pradhan, resident of Kolaidih, P.O. and P.S.-Kuchai, at present Chhota Gamharia, P.O. and P.S.-Gamharia, District-Seraikella Kharsawan.

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|                        | ....   | .... | .... | Petitioner     |
|                        | Versus |      |      |                |
| The State of Jharkhand | ....   | .... | .... | Opposite Party |

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**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY**

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| For the Petitioner | : Mr. J.N. Upadhyay, Advocate |
| For the State      | : Mr. Saket Kumar, Addl.P.P   |

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**Order No.08 Dated- 25-06-2026**

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has moved this Court for grant of bail in connection with Gamharia P.S. Case No.01 of 2026 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 103(1) of the BNS, 2023.

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner has committed murder of Dinesh Munda. It is next submitted that the allegations against the petitioner are all false. It is then submitted that the charge sheet has been submitted in this case, but no witness has been examined as yet. It is further submitted that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent as has been mentioned in para-16 of this bail application. It is also submitted that the petitioner undertakes to cooperate with the trial of the case and further undertakes that he will not annoy or disturb the informant/victim or the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case. It is lastly submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 01.01.2026 as is evident from para-09 of this bail application. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be admitted to bail.

Learned Addl. P.P. appearing for the State on the other hand vehemently opposes the prayer for bail and submits that keeping in view that serious nature of allegation against the petitioner of having committed murder of Dinesh Munda by assaulting him with rod, there is

every chance of the petitioner absconding or tampering with evidence, if released on bail. It is therefore submitted that the petitioner ought not be released on bail.

Considering the serious nature of allegation against the petitioner and the chance of the petitioner absconding or tampering with evidence, if released on bail, this Court is not inclined to admit the petitioner on bail. Accordingly, the prayer for bail of the above-named petitioner is rejected at this stage.

**(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)**

25/06/2026

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