

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A. B. A. No. 1702 of 2026

1. Dasrath Soren, aged about 62 years
 2. Chudka Soren, aged about 47 years
 3. Lakhohari Soren @ Rakhohari Soren, aged about 59 years
- All are sons of late Sarkar Soren @ Piyush Soren, resident of Asanbani,
P.O. Yadavpur, P.S. Barwadda, District-Dhanbad (Jharkhand) PIN 826004
- Petitioners

Versus

The State of Jharkhand Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioners :Mr. Ramchander Sahu, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Prabir Kumar Chatterjee, Spl. P.P.

02/ 17.04.2026: Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned counsel for the State.

2. The petitioners are apprehending their arrest in connection with Complaint Case No. 701 of 2020, registered under sections 30(C), 33(C) of the Indian Forest Act and section 2(ii) of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980, pending in the Court of learned C.J.M, Dhanbad.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioners have constructed house in their own land and allegations are made that petitioners have encroached the forest land containing six decimals. He refers to Bandabosti document contained in Annexure-2. On these grounds, he submits that the petitioners may kindly be provided privilege of anticipatory bail.

4. Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer and submits that allegations are there of encroaching forest land.

5. Annexure-2 is document which prima facie suggests that Bandobasti is in favour of the father of the petitioners and there is land dispute and in that view of the matter, petitioners are directed to surrender before the learned court within two weeks from today and the learned court shall release the petitioners on terms and conditions and sureties as learned court deems fit and proper.

6. This anticipatory bail application is disposed of.

Dt.17.04.2026

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

satyarthi-