

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 1553 of 2026

Tapas Ranjan Maharana aged about 24 years, son of Ganesh Chandra Maharana, resident of Khirkona, village Khirkona, PO and PS Simulia, District Bhadrak, State Odisha.... Petitioner

-- Versus --

The State of Jharkhand Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner :- Mr. Devesh Ajmani, Advocate
For the State :- Mr. Shailendra Kr.Tiwari, Advocate

3/17.06.2026 Heard learned counsels for petitioner and for State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Cyber Crime PS Case No.75 of 2023, for offence registered under section 419, 420, 467, 468 and 471 of the IPC and Section 66(B), 66(C) and 66(D) of I.T Act, pending in court of learned Special Judge, Cyber Crime, East Singhbhum, at Jamshedpur.
3. Learned counsel for petitioner submits that the petitioner happened to be a student and the FIR was registered on 11.2.2023 and now the petitioner has received notice under section 41-A of the Cr.PC and that has already been complied. He next submits that in the FIR the allegations are there against one Vikas Kumar and he has diverted the money from the petitioner's account and blocked the Telegraph App through which the incident has taken place. He next submits that the petitioner was also the victim and the petitioner has transferred certain money through Telegram App and thereafter the petitioner has been blocked from the said Telegram App. He next submits that petitioner is having no criminal

antecedent as disclosed in paragraph no.16 of the petition

4. Learned State counsel opposes prayer and submits that the petitioner was also involved in the cyber crime and in view of that, anticipatory bail to the petitioner may kindly be rejected.

5. Considering that the petitioner is not named in the FIR and now the petitioner has received the notice under section 41-A of the CrPC and it has been pointed out that the same has already been complied by the petitioner. The petitioner is said to be student and the petitioner was instigated to transfer certain money on Telegram App which is a Mobile App and the petitioner is having no criminal antecedent as disclosed in paragraph no.16 of the petition, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to petitioner.

6. Accordingly, petitioner, above named, is hereby directed to surrender before learned court within three weeks from today, and in event of his surrender/arrest, petitioner, above named, shall be released on bail, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand), with two sureties of like amount each, to satisfaction of learned Special Judge, Cyber Crime, East Singhbhum, at Jamshedpur, in connection with Cyber Crime PS Case No.75 of 2023, subject to the conditions as laid down under section 482(2) of Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

17.06.2026
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