

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

B.A. No. 6643 of 2026

Pintu Adhikari, son of Babla Adhikari ... **Petitioner**
Versus
The State of Jharkhand ... **Opposite Party**

CORAM :HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANUBHA RAWAT CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Peeyush Krishna Choudhary, Adv.
Mr. Amrit Anunay, APP
For the Opp. Party : None

06/15.07.2026 Heard the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner.

2. Nobody appears on behalf of the State.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 09.09.2025 in connection with Sitaramdera P.S. Case No.120 of 2025, corresponding to G.R. Case No.1401 of 2025, registered under Sections 96/65(1) of the B.N.S and Sections 4, 8 of Protection of Children from Sexual Offence Act, 2012 arising out of Sessions Trial Case No.492 of 2025, now pending in the court of learned Additional Sessions Judge – V, Jamshedpur.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case and he is in custody since 09.09.2025. During the course of hearing, it transpired that as per the impugned order dated 31.01.2026, out of 5 charge sheeted witnesses, 2 have already been examined and the next date fixed in the case was 20.02.2026.

5. The learned counsel for the petitioner is not aware as to how many witnesses have been examined after the passing of the impugned order.

6. After hearing the learned counsels for the parties and considering the direct allegations made against the petitioner as well as the fact that the victim aged 14 years has supported the allegations in her statement under Section 183 BNSS and that the trial is at an advanced stage, this Court is not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail.

7. However, the State is directed to ensure that the remaining witnesses/FSL Report, if any, are promptly produced before the court.
8. The learned counsel for the State is directed to communicate this order to the Superintendent of Police of the concerned district and also to Director, Prosecution to ensure compliance.
9. Since the learned counsel for the State is absent, let a copy of this order be communicated to the office of learned Advocate General to ensure compliance.
10. Let a copy of this order be communicated to the learned court concerned through “FAX/email”.

(Anubha Rawat Choudhary, J.)

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