

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No 1525 of 2026

- 1. Pankaj Ray, son of Tameshwar Ray, resident of Village Bhandariya Phori, P.O. and P.S. Gumla, District Gumla
- 2. Satish Kumar Singh, son of Tejpal Singh, resident of Sugda, P.O. and P.S. Itki, District Ranchi Petitioners

Versus

The State of Jharkhand Opposite Party

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioners : Ms. Rashika Bhardwaj, Advocate
Ms. Shreya Tiwary, Advocate
Mr. K.S. Nanda, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Prabir Chatterjee, Special P.P.

- 02/10.04.2026** Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned A.P.P for the State.
- 2. The petitioners are apprehending their arrest in connection with Gumla P.S. Case No. 21 of 2026, registered for the offence under Sections 303(2), 317(5) of Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Section 4/54 of Jharkhand Minor Minerals Concession Rule, 2004, Sections 7/9 of Jharkhand Minerals (Prevention of Illegal Mining, Transportation and Storage), Rule, 2017 pending in the Court of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Gumla.
 - 3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that the petitioner no.1 is the owner and petitioner no.2 is the driver of the tractor. It is alleged that 100 CFT sand was loaded on the said tractor. She further submits that the petitioners are having no criminal antecedents as disclosed in para 14 of the petition. She also submits that the said sand was loaded by another person.
 - 4. Learned A.P.P. appearing for the State has opposed the prayer and submits that illegally sand was being carried out.
 - 5. Considering that petitioner no.1 is the owner of the tractor and petitioner no.2 is the driver of the tractor and the petitioners are having no criminal antecedents as disclosed in para 14 of the petition and in that view of the matter, the petitioners, named above, are directed to surrender before the learned Court within two weeks from today and the learned Court shall release the petitioners on such terms and conditions or the sureties as the learned Court may deem fit and proper.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)