

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cr. A. (DB) No. 471 of 2026

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1. Samir Pandey @ Pandey Samir, aged about 45 years, son of Late Sipahi Pandey, Resident of village-Gokhlwar Block No.11, House No. 263, P.O. & P.S.-Jotpur Sctelaete, District-Ahmedabad (Gujarat)
 2. Adesh Kumar, aged about 42 years, son of Chandra Prakash, Resident of Village-Usarahar, P.O. & P.S.-Usarahar, District-Ithawa, U.P.

... .. **Appellants**

Versus

The State of Jharkhand

..... **Respondent**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RONGON MUKHOPADHYAY
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRADEEP KUMAR SRIVASTAVA

For the Appellants : Mr. Awanish Shekhar, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Vishwanath Roy, Spl.P.P.

Order No. 02/ Dated: 17th April, 2026

I.A. No. 4689 of 2026

1. Heard Mr. Awanish Shekhar, learned counsel for the appellants and learned Spl.P.P.
2. This interlocutory application has been preferred by the appellants for condoning the delay of 22 days in filing of the instant appeal.
3. Having been satisfied with the reasons assigned in the instant interlocutory application, the same is allowed and the delay of 22 days in filing of this appeal is hereby condoned.
4. The aforesaid I.A. stands allowed and disposed of.

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5. This appeal is directed against the order dated 20.01.2026 passed by the learned Sessions Judge, Deoghar in B.P. No. 17 of 2026 arising out of Jasidih P.S. Case No.350 of 2025, whereby and whereunder the prayer for bail of the appellants have been rejected.
6. It has been alleged that on information that some members of the

inter-state gang were planning to commit theft of crude oil from the Haldia-Barouni pipeline, a raid was conducted in a hotel where the appellants and other accused persons were apprehended.

7. It has been submitted by learned counsel for the appellants that in similar circumstance one of the co-accused Peer Ali Khan @ Pir Ali Khan has been granted bail by this Court in Cr. Appeal (DB) No. 93 of 2026. Learned counsel submits that the appellants are in custody since 03.12.2025 and only a mobile was recovered from their possession.

8. Learned Spl.P.P. though has opposed the prayer for bail of the appellants but does not dispute the aforesaid facts.

9. Regard being had to the above, we while setting aside the order dated 20.01.2026 passed by the learned Sessions Judge, Deoghar in B.P. No. 17 of 2026 arising out of Jasidih P.S. Case No.350 of 2025, direct the appellants be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Deoghar.

10. Accordingly, this appeal is allowed.

(Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J.)

(Pradeep Kumar Srivastava, J.)

17.04.2026

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