

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 3542 of 2025

Anil Kumar, S/o Chetlal Saw, R/o Village Chirua, P.O. and P.S. Daru, District-
Hazaribagh

.... Petitioner(s).

Versus

The State of Jharkhand

... Opp. Party(s).

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. Manish Kuamr, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Prabir Kumar Chatterjee, Spl. P.P

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06/ 07.07.2025: Heard, learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for
the State.

2. This is an application filed by the petitioner praying for grant of
anticipatory bail in terms of under Sections 482 and 484 of the Bhartiya
Nagrik Surksha Sanhita, 2023, apprehending his arrest for offences under
Sections 33(1)(a) of IPC.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that logs were purchased
in auction which was being transported in the vehicle of the petitioner,
which would be apparent from Annexure-2, which is the auction receipt.

4. The learned APP opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail and
submits that auction receipt is dated 07.01.2022, whereas the vehicle of the
petitioner was found inside the forest loaded with *sheesham* logs on
12.07.2022.

5. After hearing the parties, I find that the vehicle of the petitioner was
found loaded with illegal *sheesham* logs in the forest area. Further, Annexure-
2 i.e. auction receipt, which the petitioner relying upon is of no consequence
as the same is dated 07.01.2022, whereas the vehicle of the petitioner was
seized in July, 2022, thus, the material which was loaded in the vehicle of the
petitioner, prima facie cannot be said to be purchased in auction, which was
held on 21.12.2021, which is reflected in auction receipt dated 07.01.2022, I

find that this is not a fit case for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner in connection with G.(F) Case No.1960 of 2022, pending in the Court of learned C.J.M., Hazaribagh, stands **rejected**.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)

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