

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

B.A. No. 2645 of 2026

Umesh Mahto, aged about 22 years, Son of Aghnu Mahto
... .. **Petitioner**
Versus
The State of Jharkhand **Opposite Party**

CORAM :HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANUBHA RAWAT CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Birendra Kumar, Advocate
: Mr. Raj Kishore Sahu, Advocate
For the Opp. Party-State : Ms. Shweta Singh, Advocate

04/06.05.2026

1. Heard the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the parties.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 14.10.2025 in connection with S.T. No. 07 of 2026 arising out of Tamar P.S. Case No. 110 of 2025, for the alleged offence registered under Sections 70(1) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita pending in the court of learned Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Ranchi.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is not named in the First Information Report and the name of the petitioner has come in the confessional statement of co-accused. He also submits that the petitioner has not even put under TIP and accordingly he has not been identified. He submits that even as per statement of co-accused, the petitioner had not committed any rape upon the victim. Rather as per the statement of co-accused, the petitioner had participated in taking away the victim. He submits that mere statement of the co-accused may not be a reason to detain the petitioner in any manner.
4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the opposite party-State though has opposed the prayer for bail. However, the aforesaid submission made by the petitioner is not in dispute.
5. Upon query of this court, the learned counsel State has stated that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent.

6. To this, the learned counsel for the petitioner has stated that the charge has already been framed on 03.02.2026 but no witnesses has been turned out so far.

7. After hearing the learned counsel for the parties and considering the aforesaid submissions and apparently except confessional statement of the co-accused, nothing could be pointed out by the State against the petitioner and charge has already been framed, the petitioner is directed to be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 25,000/- (Rs. Twenty five thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Ranchi in connection with S.T. No. 07 of 2026 arising out of Tamar P.S. Case No. 110 of 2025 on the following conditions:

- (i) The petitioner shall not disturb the victim/her family member in any manner.
- (ii) One of the bailors would be the present *pairvikar* of the petitioner.
- (iii) The other bailor should be his close relative.
- (iv) The petitioner will attend the court on each and every date and on account of his single default, the learned court shall cancel the bail bond furnished by the petitioner.
- (v) The petitioner will deposit a self-attested copy of his Aadhar Card along with his mobile number before the learned court which he will not change during the pendency of the case without prior permission of the court.
- (vi) The petitioner shall fully co-operate with the proceedings before the learned court below.

8. The instant bail application is allowed with the aforesaid conditions.

9. Let a copy of this order along with a copy of the affidavit filed with the bail petition be communicated to the court concerned through 'FAX/E-mail'.

(Anubha Rawat Choudhary, J.)

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