

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 1813 of 2026

Nanhu Kumar @ Nanhu Ganjhu, son of Somar Ganjhu, resident of Village Chano, P.O. and P.S. Lawalong, District Chatra

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Jharkhand

.... Opposite Party

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner : None

For the State : Mr. Bishambhar Shastri, A.P.P.

02/21.04.2026 On repeated calls, no body responded on behalf of the petitioner, however, learned counsel for the State is present.

Heard learned counsel for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Complaint Case No. 1813 of 2025, registered for the offence under Sections 33(1)(C) of the Indian Forest Act, pending in the court of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Chatra.
3. In the FIR, it has been alleged that the petitioner was cultivating poppy plant on the forest land. In the petition, it has been averred that the land is not belonging to the petitioner and he is having no criminal antecedent as disclosed in para 12 of the petition.
4. Learned counsel appearing for the State has opposed the prayer and submits that the allegations are there of cultivation of poppy plant.
5. Considering that the land belongs to the Forest Department and not belong to the petitioner and the petitioner is having no criminal antecedent as disclosed in para 12 of the petition in that view of the matter, the petitioner, named above, is directed to surrender before the learned Court within two weeks from today and the learned Court shall release the petitioner on such terms and conditions or the sureties as the learned Court may deem fit and proper.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)