

(2026:JHHC:19551)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
B.A. No. 3474 of 2026

Pankaj Kumar, aged about 40 Years, S/o Amrendra Kumar,
R/o Janta Nagar, F.O. Type, P.T.P.S., P.O. & P.S. Patratu,
District –Ramgarh, Jharkhand.

... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand

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Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Rishu Ranjan, Advocate

For the State : Mr. Sanjay Kr. Srivastava, Addl. P.P.

Order No.04 Dated- 03.07.2026

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has moved this Court for grant of bail in connection with S.T. No. 170 of 2025 arising out of Patratu P.S. Case No.11 of 2025 corresponding to G.R. Case No.597 of 2025 registered for the offences punishable under sections 115(2), 126(2), 74, 329(4), 351, 352 & 64(1) of the B.N.S., 2023.

This is the second journey of the petitioner with the prayer for regular bail. Earlier the prayer for regular bail of the petitioner was rejected vide order dated 26.09.2025, passed in B.A. No. 8739 of 2025. It is submitted that the fresh ground is that the husband of the informant-victim has been examined and though he has supported the case of the prosecution but in para-14 of his cross-examination, he has stated that in respect of the occurrence which took place on 05.10.2024, the information of the same was given to police and after that in his house no occurrence took place. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be admitted to bail.

The learned Addl. P.P. on the other hand vehemently opposes the prayer for bail and submits that keeping in view the serious nature of allegation against the petitioner of committing rape upon the prosecutrix and the fact that the prosecutrix is yet to be examined, there is every chance of the petitioner absconding and

tampering with the evidence, if released on bail. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner ought not to be admitted to bail.

Considering the serious nature of allegation against the petitioner and the chance of the petitioner absconding and tampering with the evidence, if released on bail, this Court is not inclined to admit the petitioner on bail.

Accordingly, the prayer for regular bail of the above-named petitioner is rejected.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

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