

(2026:JHHC:10891)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
B.A. No. 3042 of 2026

Pankaj Kumar Sharma @ Pandit, aged about 41 years, son of
Gitasharan Sharma, resident of Village-Bikuadag, P.O.-
Bikuadag, P.S.-Jariagarh, Dist.-Khunti, 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. Vishal Kr. Rai, Advocate

: Mr. Harsh Ladia, Advocate

For the State : Mr. Tarun Kumar, Addl. P.P.

Order No.02 Dated- 16.04.2026

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has been made accused in connection with
Khunti P.S. Case No.03 of 2026 registered for the offences punishable
under Section 103 (1), 61 (1), 3 (5) of the B.N.S., 2023 and Section 27 of
the Arms Act.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation
against the petitioner is that the petitioner, in furtherance of common
intention with the co-accused persons and in criminal conspiracy with
them, has committed the murder of Soma Munda by firing upon him.
It is submitted that the allegation against the petitioner is false. It is
further submitted that the main allegation is against the co-accused
Danial Sanga. Drawing attention of this Court towards para-08 of the
instant bail application, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
the petitioner has no criminal antecedent. It is next submitted that the
co-accused, with similar allegations, has already been admitted to bail
by this Court vide order dated 09.04.2026 passed in B.A. No.2867 of
2026 and order dated 15.04.2026 in B.A. No.2292 of 2026. It is then
submitted that the petitioner undertakes that he will co-operate with
the trial of the case and that he will not annoy or disturb the

informant or any of his family members in any manner during the trial of the case. It is lastly submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 13.01.2026 as has been mentioned in paragraph no.01 of the bail application. Hence it is submitted that the petitioner be released on bail.

Learned Addl. P.P. opposes the prayer for bail.

Considering the facts of this case, the above-named petitioner is directed to be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees twenty five thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Khunti in connection with Khunti P.S. Case No.03 of 2026 with the condition that he will cooperate with the trial of the case, furnish his mobile number and photocopy of the Aadhar Card in the court below with an undertaking that he will not change his mobile number during the trial of the case and will not annoy or disturb the informant or any of his family members in any manner during the trial of the case.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

16.04.2026
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