

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI

A.B.A. No. 1916 of 2026

Md. Sarfraz Quraishi @ Md. Mishal @ Md. Sarfraz @ Mishal @
Sarfraz Kuraishi, aged about 22 years, son of Md. Jafeer @
Jafeer Quraishi, resident of Village Bind Muhalla, Shahadat
Chowk, PO Chatra, PS Sadar, District Chatra.... *Petitioner*

-- *Versus* --

The State of Jharkhand *Opposite Party*

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner :- Mr. Abhay Kr Chaturvedi, Advocate
For the State :- Ms Mohua Palit, Advocate

2/29.04.2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned A.P.P
for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with
Chatra Sadar P.S. Case No. 406 of 2025, registered for the offence
under Sections 329(4), 126(2), 74, 351(2), 3(5) of Bhartiya Nyaya
Sanhita, 2023, Section 8 of POCSO Act pending in the Court of
learned District & Additional Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge,
POCSO Act, Chatra.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that
although the case has also been registered under the POCSO Act
however, the charge is not against him and to buttress the
argument, he refers to the FIR and submits that the petitioner has
not touched the girl and the only allegation is made of releasing
smoke of cigarette. He further submits that now a good sense has
prevailed between the parties and the compromise has taken place

in the light of Annexure 2 of the petition and the co-accused has been granted anticipatory bail in ABA No.1516 of 2026.

4. Learned A.P.P. appearing for the State has opposed the prayer and submits that case arises out of POCSO Act also.

5. Considering that in the FIR it transpires that the petitioner has not touched the girl and the only allegation is made of releasing smoke of cigarette and the co-accused person has been granted anticipatory bail as aforesaid. Annexure-2 further suggest that the matter has been compromised, in that view of the matter, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner, above named, is hereby directed to surrender before learned court within two weeks from today, and in event of his surrender/arrest, the petitioner, above named, shall be released on bail, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand), with two sureties of like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned District & Additional Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, POCSO Act, Chatra, in connection with Chatra Sadar P.S. Case No. 406 of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under section 482(2) of Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

29.04.2026
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