

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
B.A. No. 3071 of 2026

Chhotu Mahto, aged about 25 years, son of Chandra Mahto,
resident of Village Kundo, P.O. and P.S. Kuru, District Lohardaga,
(Jharkhand)

.... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Rakesh Kumar, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Sushma Aind, Addl.P.P.

Order No:-02 Dated:-16-04-2026

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has been made accused in connection with
Chandwa P.S. Case No. 237 of 2025, registered for the offences
punishable under Section 103(1) of B.N.S.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation
against the petitioner is that the petitioner has committed murder of
Shyam Lohara. It is submitted that the allegation against the
petitioner is false. It is next submitted that only because Shyam
Lohara went with the petitioner as pillion rider in his motorcycle,
hence, out of suspicion, the petitioner has been implicated in this case.
It is next submitted that in the inquest report it has been categorically
stated by the witnesses Sunil Lohara and Budhan Lohara whose
parentage and address has also been mentioned in the said inquest
report, that the deceased died as because the motorcycle fell down
from the bridge, being rashly and negligently driven. It is next
submitted that there is absolutely no motive attributed to the
petitioner to commit the murder of the deceased. It is further
submitted that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent as is evident
from para-26 of the case diary. It is then submitted that the petitioner
has been in custody since 25.10.2025 as is evident from para-11 of the
instant bail application. It is lastly submitted that the petitioner

undertakes to co-operate with the trial of the case and also undertakes not to annoy or disturb the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be released on bail.

Learned counsel appearing for the State opposes the prayer for bail of the petitioner.

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 the learned Additional Sessions Judge-III in connection with Chandwa P.S. Case No. 237 of 2025 with the condition that he will co-operate with the trial of the case and 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 he will not annoy or disturb the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

Dated:- 16.04.2026
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