

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No.2434 of 2025

Sumit Kumar Pandey, S/o Pradeep Kumar Pandey, R/o Village
Karongiya, P.O. & P.S. Chandwara, District Koderma.

... ... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand.

... ... Opposite Party

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. Prabhat Kr. Sinha, Advocate
Mr. Diwakar Jha, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Vijoy Kumar Sinha, A.P.P.
Mr. Rajesh Kumar Mahto, Advocate

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Heard the parties.

- 2.** This anticipatory bail application under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, has been preferred by the petitioner apprehending his arrest, for offences under Sections 85, 87 & 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 3/4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.
- 3.** Learned counsel representing the State and the informant oppose the prayer for anticipatory bail.
- 4.** The F.I.R. has been lodged at the instance of father of the deceased, stating therein that his son-in-law along with his family members has tortured his daughter for non-fulfillment of further demand of dowry. He further alleged in his *fardbeyan* that his daughter has been assaulted brutally to death and has concealed the body.
- 5.** After hearing the parties and going through the records, I find that the informant had already lodged a *sanha* when his daughter went missing. Further, it has come during investigation

that the daughter of the informant i.e. the petitioner's wife had gone to Rajasthan to join her boyfriend namely Mukesh Kumar and she lived with him. She has now returned.

6. Considering the aforesaid fact, I am inclined to allow this application.

7. Accordingly, this Anticipatory Bail Application stands **allowed**. The petitioner, above named, is directed to surrender before the learned court below within four weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order and on the event of his surrender or arrest, he shall be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand), with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned JMFC, Koderma, in connection with Chandwara P.S. Case No.78 of 2024, subject to the condition that one of the bailers should be a close relative of the petitioner and other should be a resident of State of Jharkhand, having sufficient landed property in his name or in the name of his ancestors in which he is having share and to that effect, he has to file an affidavit before the Trial Court indicating his share in the property.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)