

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No.2347 of 2025

Prakash Ganjhu @ Prakash Kumar Bhogta, S/o Jagdeo Ganjhu, R/o
Village Dokar, P.O. Lakhipur, P.S. Balumath, District Latehar.
... ... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand. **... ... Opposite Party**

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. Abhay Kr. Chaturvedy, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Bishambhar Shastri, A.P.P.

03/ 08.07.2025

Heard the parties.

- 2.** This anticipatory bail application under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, has been preferred by the petitioner apprehending his arrest, for offences under Sections 147, 148, 149, 307, 333, 353, 120B IPC, Section 27 & 35 of the Arms Act and Section 17 of the Criminal Law Amendment Act.
- 3.** Learned A.P.P. representing the State opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail. However, he submits that the petitioner has got no criminal antecedents.
- 4.** It is alleged that a firing has taken place in the forest between the Police and the extremists. The extremists fled.
- 5.** Admittedly, the petitioner was not involved in firing as per the F.I.R. The only material against the petitioner is that he being a poor villager was providing foods and article of daily use to the extremists.
- 6.** Considering the nature of allegation, since the petitioner is a local villager, 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 Chief Judicial Magistrate, Latehar, in connection with Balumath P.S. Case No.69 of 2022, 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. The petitioner should cooperate with the investigation and appear before the Investigating Officer once in every fifteen days, till submission of the final report.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)

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