

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
B.A. No.3379 of 2026

.... Petitioner

The State of Jharkhand Opposite Party

For the Petitioner : Mr. Suraj Singh, Advocate
Mr. Vikas Kumar, Advocate
For the State : Mrs. Priya Shrestha, Spl.P.P

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has been made accused in connection with Barwadda P.S. Case No.196 of 2020 registered for the offence punishable under Sections 409, 420, 467, 468, 471, 120B and 34 of the Indian Penal Code.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner being the Clerk of District Welfare Office, Dhanbad, was involved in scam of misappropriation of Government money to the tune of Rs.9,99,83,449/- by forging the documents. It is next submitted that the allegation against the petitioner is false. It is then submitted that charge has already been framed in this case but no witness has been examined as yet. It is also submitted that the petitioner is involved in 14 other cases apart from this case but in some of the cases, he has been admitted to bail. It is further submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 17.12.2025 as mentioned in para-12 of the instant bail application. It is lastly submitted that the petitioner is ready and willing to co-operate with the trial of the case. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be released on bail.

Learned counsel appearing for the State on the other hand

opposes the prayer for bail of the petitioner and submits that keeping in view the serious nature of allegation against the petitioner and his criminal antecedents, there is every chance of the petitioner absconding and tampering with the evidence, if released on bail. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner ought not to be released on bail.

Considering the serious nature of allegation against the petitioner of embezzlement of Government money to the tune of Rs.9,99,83,449/- and his criminal antecedents as well as the chance of his absconding and tampering with the evidence, if released on bail, this Court is not inclined to admit the above named petitioner to bail at this stage.

Accordingly, the prayer for bail of the above named petitioner is rejected at this stage.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

Dated:- 13.07.2026
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