

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 1997 of 2026

1. Saresh Yadav @ Suresh Yadav, son of Late Ganeshi Yadav
2. Jagnarayan Yadav, son of Muneshwar Yadav
3. Rajeshwar Yadav @ Rajesh Yadav, son of Late Taranand Yadav @ Tarachand Yadav
4. Gudeshwar Yadav @ Gudeshwar Kumar Yadav, son of Janki Yadav
All resident of Village Jamungadha, Kekargarh, P.O. and P.S. Panki,
District Palamau, Jharkhand, all at present resident of Village Kekargarh,
P.O. Dwarika, P.S. Panki, District Palamau, Jharkhand

.... Petitioners

Versus

The State of Jharkhand Opposite Party

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioners : Mr. Soumitra Baroi, Advocate

For the State : Mr. Naveen Kumar Ganjhu, A.P.P.

02/04.05.2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned counsel for the State.

2. The petitioners are apprehending their arrest in connection with Panki P.S. Case No. 12 of 2025 corresponding to N.D.P.S. Case No.4A of 2025, registered for the offence under Sections 8(B), 18(B) and 29 of the N.D.P.S. Act, pending in the court of learned Special Judge, NDPS Act, Palamau.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that the allegations are made against the petitioners of cultivation of poppy plants on the forest land. He further submits that the land is not belonging to the petitioners. He next submits that the other co-accused persons have been granted anticipatory bail in A.B.A. No.7039 of 2025. He also submits that the petitioners have got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in para 18 of the petition.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State has opposed the prayer and submits that the allegations are there of cultivation of poppy plant on the forest land.

5. Considering that the land is of the Forest Department and not belonging to the petitioners and the co-accused persons have been granted anticipatory bail in the aforesaid A.B.A. and the petitioners have got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in para 18 of the petition and in

that view of the matter, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

6. Accordingly, the above-named petitioners are directed to surrender before the learned Court within two weeks from today and in the event of their arrest or surrender, they shall be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Twenty Five Thousand) each with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Special Judge, NDPS Act, Palamau, in connection with Panki P.S. Case No. 12 of 2025 corresponding to N.D.P.S. Case No.4A of 2025, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

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