

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

Criminal Appeal (DB) No. 509 of 2026

Babu Ansari @ Abdul Hufeja @ Abdul Hujefa ... Appellant

Versus

The State of Jharkhand ... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RONGON MUKHOPADHYAY

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR RAI

For the Appellant : Mr. Rajiv Kr. Karan, Advocate

For the State : APP

Order No. 05

Dated 14th August, 2026

I.A. No. 9151 of 2026

Heard the learned counsel for the respective sides.

This application has been preferred by the appellant for grant of bail to him during the pendency of this appeal.

The appellant has been convicted for the offence under Section 395 of IPC and has been sentenced to R.I. for 10 years along with a fine of Rs. 1,00,000/-.

It has been alleged that while the informant, his driver and staff were returning from Jamtara after realizing his dues amounting to Rs. 11,00,000/- on the way, one Scorpio vehicle and two motorcycles overtook the vehicle of the informant and firing was also made. It has also been alleged that the accused persons had surrounded the car and thereafter, looted Rs. 11,00,000/- on the point of pistol and had also looted away the mobiles of the occupants of the car.

Submission has been advanced by the learned Counsel for the appellant that the only incriminating circumstance against the appellant is of his identification in the Test Identification Parade by PW-3, but PW-3 in his evidence has stated that he does not remember whether he had identified any of the accused persons or not. Learned Counsel submits that the appellant is in custody since long.

Learned A.P.P. has opposed the prayer for bail of the appellant.

It appears that in similar circumstances, the prayer for bail of one of

the co-convict Imtiyaz Ansari has been rejected by this Court in Criminal Appeal (DB) No. 491 of 2026.

Regard being had to the fact that the appellant having been identified in the Test Identification Parade and his case is similar to that of Imtiyaz Ansari, we are not inclined to admit the appellant on bail. Accordingly, his prayer for bail is hereby rejected.

This I.A. stands rejected.

(RONGON MUKHOPADHYAY, J.)

(ARUN KUMAR RAI, J.)

14.08.2026
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