

(2026:JHHC:12573)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
B. A. No. 3587 of 2026

Karan Kumar Mahto, aged about 25 years, son of Raj Kumar Mahto, resident of village - 65A, Raghuwar Nagar Long Town Basti, Jamshedpur, Burma Mines, PO & PS - Jamshedpur, District - Singhbhum (East).

... ..**Petitioner**

Versus

The State of Jharkhand.

... ..**Opp. Party**

For the Petitioner	: Mr. Arun Kumar, Advocate
For the State	: Mr. Someshwar Roy, Addl. P.P.

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

Order No:- 02, Dated:- 29th April, 2026

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has moved before this Court for grant of bail in connection with Gua P.S. Case No. 51 of 2025 registered for the offences punishable under sections 25(1-A), 26 of the Arms Act.

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner was in illegal possession of one country-made pistol, one automatic pistol, two empty magazines, one pouch containing 41 live cartridges of 7.65 MM, one black colour plastic containing 9 live cartridges of 8 MM were recovered. It is further submitted that the allegations against the petitioner are all false and the petitioner has no criminal antecedent as has been mentioned in paragraph no. 13 of the bail application. It is then submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 19.12.2025, as has been mentioned in paragraph no. 13 of the bail application and charge-sheet has been submitted. It is next submitted that the petitioner undertakes to cooperate with the trial of the case and further undertakes that he will not annoy or disturb the informant or the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case. It is lastly submitted that the co-accused person with similar allegation has already been admitted to bail by this Court vide order dated 10.04.2026 in B.A. No. 2913 of 2026. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be admitted to bail.

The learned Addl. P.P. opposes the prayer for bail.

Considering the submissions of the counsels and the fact as discussed above, I am inclined to enlarge the abovenamed petitioner on bail. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of *learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, West Singhbhum at Chaibasa*, in connection with *Gua P.S. Case No. 51 of 2025*, with the condition that the petitioner will cooperate with the trial of the case and will furnish his mobile number and a copy of his Aadhar Card in the court below with the undertaking that he will not change his mobile number during the trial of the case, with further condition that he will not annoy or disturb the informant or the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)