

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cr. Appeal (DB) Filing No. 8263 of 2026

Debilal Marandi @ Joseph Marandi, age about 39 years,
S/o Sarkar Marandi, Resident of village Haldipahari, P.O.
Pakdaha, P.S. Sikaripara, Subdivision and District-
Dumka, Jharkhand **Appellant**

Versus

The Union of India through N.I.A. **Respondent**

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RONGON MUKHOPADHYAY
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR RAI

For the Appellant :Mr. Ashok Kumar Sinha (4), Advocate
For the Res.-State :Mr. Pankaj Kumar, P.P.

05/30.06.2026 Defects ignored.

Heard Mr. Ashok Kumar Sinha (4), learned
counsel for the appellant and learned P.P. for the State.

This appeal is directed against the order dated
30.03.2026 passed by the learned I/c Additional Sessions
Judge-I, Dumka in M.C.A No. 242 of 2026 in connection
with S.T. Case No. 161/2019 arising out of Kathikund P.S.
Case No. 45 of 2010, whereby and whereunder, the prayer
for regular bail of the appellant has been rejected.

It has been alleged that there was an exchange of
firing between the police personnel and extremists, and
thereafter six extremists were apprehended by the police.

Submission has been advanced by the learned
counsel for the appellant that the appellant has been
implicated on the confession of a co-accused. It has been
submitted that in similar circumstances, one of the co-
accused, Suresh Yadav @ Kanchan Yadav @ Awadh Kishore
Yadav @ Awadh Chandra Mahto @ Mota, has been granted
bail by the Co-ordinate Bench of this Court in Criminal
Appeal (DB) No. 321 of 2025. Learned counsel adds that
the appellant is in custody since 18.01.2019.

Learned P.P. has opposed the prayer for bail of the appellant and has submitted that the appellant has got several criminal antecedents.

Regard being had to the manner of implication of the appellant, the period of custody undergone by him, and the fact that one of the similarly situated co-accused has already been granted bail, as noted above, we while setting aside the order dated 30.03.2026 passed by the learned I/c Additional Sessions Judge-I, Dumka in M.C.A No. 242 of 2026, direct that the appellant be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned I/c Additional Sessions Judge-I, Dumka in connection with S.T. Case No. 161/2019 arising out of Kathikund P.S. Case No. 45 of 2010.

This appeal stands allowed.

(Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J.)

(Arun Kumar Rai, J.)

Umesh-Abhishek/-