

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

A.B.A. No. 2693 of 2026

Ayush Kumar, aged about 25 years, son of Pappu Kumar Ram, resident of 115, Lake Road, West Radha Marg, Near Sita Guest House, P.O. G.P.O. P.S. Kotwali, District- Ranchi

... Petitioner

-Versus-

The State of Jharkhand

... Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner : Mr. Jitendra Shankar Singh, Advocate

For the State : Mr. Shailendra Kumar Tiwari, Spl.P.P.

04/10.06.2026 Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and learned counsel appearing for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Ranchi Cyber P.S. Case No.14/2026 dated 12.01.2026, registered for the offence under Sections 318(4), 319(2), 336(3), 338 of BNS and Sections 66(C) and 66(D) of I.T. Act, pending in the Court of the learned Additional Judicial Commissioner-II cum Special Judge, Cyber Crime, Ranchi.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that one person namely Prawaz who is the OLX account holder, contacted with the petitioner on 04.01.2026 telephonically, representing himself as a customer interested in purchasing 2-3 mobile products from the petitioner's store and told that one product was to be gifted to his brother as a surprise gift and specifically requested not to disclose to the person who would visit the store. He further submits that thereafter, the informant has come to the shop of the petitioner and purchased Apple mobile phone and certain accessories and the payment has been made to the person, who has provided link to the informant. He then submits that however the payment was not made to the petitioner and in view of that, the petitioner has not handed over the mobile phone and other accessories and for that, the petitioner has been implicated in the case.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State opposed the prayer and submits that the allegations are there that the petitioner has conspired with one Prawaz, who has sent link to the informant and in view of that, the prayer for anticipatory bail may kindly be rejected.

5. Considering that the petitioner has not contacted the informant for taking mobile through OLX and the informant himself has approached the shop of the petitioner and paid the amount to the person, who has sent link to the informant, however the payment was not made to the petitioner and pursuant to that, the petitioner has not handed over the mobile and other accessories to the informant and prima facie, if any cyber-crime has been made, that has been made by another person and further it has been pointed out that the petitioner is having no criminal antecedent, as disclosed in paragraph 16 of this application and in the attending facts and circumstances of the case, I am inclined to extend the privilege of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, the above-named petitioner is directed to surrender before the learned Court within three weeks from today and in the event of his arrest or surrender, he shall be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Twenty Five Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Additional Judicial Commissioner-II cum Special Judge, Cyber Crime, Ranchi in connection with Ranchi Cyber P.S. Case No.14/2026, subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

*Dated: 10th June, 2026
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