

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI  
B.A. No.3795 of 2026**

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Nihal Pandey, aged about 25 years, S/o Late Manoj Kumar Pandey,  
R/o Shiv Durga Mandir Lane, Ratu Road, P.O. G.P.O., P.S.  
Sukhdeonagar, District Ranchi.

.... .... .... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand .... .... .... Opposite Party

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**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY**

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For the Petitioner : Mr. Pranav Prakash Mishra, Advocate

For the State : Mr. Bhola Nath Ojha, Spl.P.P.

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**Order No:-02 Dated:-07-05-2026**

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has been made accused in connection with Sukhdeo Nagar P.S. Case No. 36 of 2026 corresponding to N.D.P.S. Case No. 50 of 2026 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 310(4), 310(5), 111(1) of the B.N.S., 2023 and Sections 25(1-B)(a), 26, 35 of the Arms Act and Sections 21(a), 22 of the N.D.P.S. Act.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner along with the co-accused persons was making preparation for committing dacoity and from the petitioner and the co-accused persons, 4 gm brown sugar was recovered and one country-made pistol was also recovered. It is next submitted that the allegation against the petitioner is false. It is then submitted that seized brown sugar comes under small quantity. It is further submitted that from the possessions of the petitioner, only 1 gm brown sugar has been recovered. It is next submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 31.01.2026 as is evident from para-18 of the instant bail application. It is then submitted that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent as the one criminal antecedent as mentioned in para-6 of this bail application, in which the petitioner was involved apart from this case, he has since been acquitted. It is further submitted that the co-accused, with similar allegations, has

already been admitted to bail by this Court vide order dated 22.04.2026 passed in B.A. No. 2409 of 2026. It is lastly submitted that the petitioner undertakes to co-operate with the trial of the case and also undertakes not to annoy or disturb the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be released on bail.

Learned counsel appearing for the State opposes the prayer for bail of the petitioner.

Considering the facts of this case, the above-named petitioner is directed to be enlarged 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 the learned Special Judge (N.D.P.S.), Ranchi in connection with Sukhdeo Nagar P.S. Case No. 36 of 2026 corresponding to N.D.P.S. Case No. 50 of 2026 **with the condition that he will co-operate with the trial of the case and furnish his mobile number and photocopy of the Aadhar Card in the court below with an undertaking that he will not change his mobile number during the trial of the case and he will not annoy or disturb the witnesses of the case in any manner during the trial of the case.**

**(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)**

Dated:- 07.05.2026  
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