

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
B.A. No. 4805 of 2025

Kalindra Kumar @ Kalindra Yadav, aged about 38 years, S/o Jamindari Yadav @ Jamindari Yadav @ Jimdari Yadav, R/o village- Ajarakhe (Ajarakwe) Hasauli, P.O. & P.S.- Aurangabad, District- Aurangabad, Bihar.
... Petitioner

- Versus -

Union of India through Narcotics Control Bureau. ... Opp. Party

CORAM: - HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMBUJ NATH

For the Petitioner : Mr. Vikash Kumar, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Anil Kumar, A.S.G.I.
: Ms. Chandana Kumari, AC to ASGI

03/15.09.2025

Heard the parties.

2. The petitioner has been made an accused in connection with N.D.P.S. Case No. 32/2022, arising out of N.C.B. Crime No. 04/NCB/Ranchi/2022, for the offence under Sections 08(C) r/w Sections 20(b) (ii) (c), 25 & 29 of the N.D.P.S. Act, pending in the Court of learned Additional Judicial Commissioner-XX, Ranchi.

3. On 16.07.2022, on the basis of confidential information, N.C.B., Ranchi, intercepted a Tata L.P.T. 2515 T.C. truck bearing registration number JH02J-3432 from Munda Masna Chowk, Ring-Road, Simalia and on search 996.5 kgs of cannabis were recovered from the seized truck. The driver of the truck was apprehended and he confessed that the seized contraband was going to be delivered to this petitioner.

4. Learned lawyer appearing on behalf of the petitioner has referred to a decision of Hon'ble the Supreme Court in case of "Ankur Chaudhary Vrs. State of Madhya Pradesh passed in Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No. 4648/2024, in which bail was granted on the ground of period of custody and the fact that the trial was not likely to be concluded in near future.

5. It appears that the petitioner is in custody for about two years. It further appears that the prosecution has examined only one witness. Delay in conclusion of trial will override the effect and embargo of the prosecution case as provided in Section 37(1)(b) of the N.D.P.S. Act.

6. In view of the submissions made above, I am inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail. Accordingly, the petitioner, above named, is directed to be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees twenty thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned Additional Judicial Commissioner-XX, Ranchi, in connection with N.D.P.S. Case No. 32/2022, arising out of N.C.B. Crime No. 04/NCB/Ranchi/2022.

(Ambuj Nath, J.)

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