

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No.3626 of 2025

Ajit Kumar Choudhary @ Ajit Kr. Choudhary, S/o Ram Niharo Choudhary, R/o Pratap Nagar, Nai Sarai, PO and PS Ramgarh, District Ramgarh, Jharkhand **Petitioner(s)**

Versus

The State of Jharkhand. **Opposite Party(s)**

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s) : Md. Sajid Yunus, Advocate.
For the State : Ms. Priya Shreshtha, Spl.P.P.

04/ 10.07.2025

Heard the parties.

2. This anticipatory bail application under Sections 482 and 484 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023, has been preferred by the petitioner apprehending his arrest for offences registered under Sections 409 and 420 of Indian Penal Code.

3. It is alleged that the petitioner and others have retained excess amount which was disbursed to them for construction of pond under MGNREGA Yojna.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he has received an instruction from the office of Deputy Commissioner, Hazaribagh to deposit an amount of Rs. 22,998.50 and he has deposited the same vide Nazir Rasid JE/02 – 367038.

5. Learned A.P.P. representing the State opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail.

6. Considering the fact that the petitioner had deposited the amount, this Court finds it a fit case for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

7. Accordingly, this Anticipatory Bail Application stands **allowed**. The petitioner, above named, is directed to surrender before the learned court below within four weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order and on the event of his surrender or arrest, he shall be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two

sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned S.D.J.M., Hazaribag, in connection with Barhi P.S. Case No.233 of 2017 corresponding to GR No. 2511 of 2017, subject to the condition that one of the bailers should be a close relative of the petitioner and other should be a resident of State of Jharkhand, having sufficient landed property in his/her name or in the name of his/her ancestors in which he/she is having share and to that effect, he/she has to file an affidavit before the Trial Court indicating his/her share in the property.

8. The petitioner is directed to appear before the court concerned as and when directed and will not delay the trial.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)

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