

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI  
B.A. No. 5489 of 2025

Lakhindra @ Lakhicharan Mahto, aged about 33 years, son of  
Harelal Mahto @ Hiralal Mahto, resident of village-Kashidih,  
P.O.-Baburamdih, P.S.-Tamar, District-Ranchi, Jharkhand  
... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand ... Opp. party

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

For the Petitioner : Mr. Birendra Kumar , Adv.  
For the State : Mr. Bhola Nath Ojha, Spl. PP.

02 / 08.07.2025

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has moved this Court for grant of bail in connection with Tamar P.S. Case No.32 of 2025(N) registered for the offences punishable under sections 18(C) of N.D.P.S. Act.

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner was involved in cultivation of opium. It is further submitted that the allegations against the petitioner are all false and without obtaining FSL report as to whether the seized plants were in fact poppy plants, charge sheet has been submitted against the petitioner in this case. It is next submitted that the petitioner has no criminal antecedent as has been mentioned in paragraph no.12 of the bail application. It is then submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 17.02.2025, as has been mentioned in paragraph no. 07 of the bail application. It is next submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is ready and willing to co-operate with the trial of the case and the co-accused with similar allegations has

already been admitted to bail by this court vide order dated 12.06.2025 passed in BA No. 3950 of 2025 hence, the petitioner may be admitted to regular bail.

Learned Spl. P.P. opposed the prayer for regular bail .

Considering submissions of learned counsels and the facts as stated above, I am inclined to release the petitioner on bail. Hence, the court below is directed to release the petitioner 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 learned Special Judge, NDPS, Ranchi, in connection with Tamar P.S. Case No.32 of 2025(N) with the condition that the petitioner will co-operate with the trial of the case and will furnish mobile phone number and photocopy of the Aadhar Card in the court below with an undertaking that he will not change the mobile phone number during the trial of the case.

**(ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY, J.)**

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