

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

B.A. No. 5107 of 2026

Raju Bhuiyan, son of Sarju @ Sarju Bhuiya.
... .. **Petitioner**
Versus
The State of Jharkhand **Opposite Party**

CORAM :HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANUBHA RAWAT CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Paritosh Rai, Advocate
: Mr. Vijay Shankar, Advocate
For the Opp. Party : Mr. V.S. Sahay, APP

- 02/19.06.2026 Heard the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the parties.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody in connection with Manika P.S. Case No.27/2024 corresponding to Special POCSO Case No.22 of 2024, registered under Sections 376, 506 of IPC & U/s 4/8 of the POCSO Act, now pending in the court of learned Special Judge, POCSO, Latehar.
3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 28.04.2024 and that 5 out of 7 witnesses have been examined. The next date fixed in the case is 27.07.2026. It is further submitted that the FSL report has not been received by the learned court. He also submits that there is material contradictions in the evidence recorded so far. Although the statement of the victim has been recorded and she has supported the prosecution case, but there are variations and contradictions in her statement.
4. The learned counsel for the State has submitted that all the witnesses have supported the case of the prosecution.
5. After hearing the learned counsel for the parties, this Court finds that none of the counsels have pointed out that the bail application of the petitioner was rejected earlier on 07.12.2024 in B.A. No.10271 of 2024.
6. Considering the fact that the bail application of the petitioner was rejected earlier and 5 out of 7 witnesses have already been examined and there is serious nature of allegation against the

petitioner, whereby it is alleged that the petitioner had established physical relationship with minor daughter of the informant aged about 14 years, this Court is not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail.

7. However, the State is directed to ensure that the remaining witnesses are promptly produced before the court and the FSL report is also forwarded to the trial court at the earliest.

8. The learned counsel for the State is directed to communicate this order to the Superintendent of Police of the concerned district and also to Director, Prosecution and also to the FSL, Ranchi to ensure compliance.

9. Let a copy of this order be communicated to the learned court concerned through "FAX/email".

(Anubha Rawat Choudhary, J.)

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