

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
A.B.A. No. 2988 of 2026

Bandhan Yadav @ Bandhan Kumar aged about 16 years, son of Ajay Yadav, resident of Village Nara Dholgadia, P.O. & P.S. Saraiyahat, District Dumka, represented through his cousin grandfather and natural guardian Ghanshyam Yadav, aged about 52 years, S/o Harinath Yadav, R/o Village Naya Dholgadia, P.O. Saraiyahat, P.S. Saraiyahat, District Dumka (Jharkhand).

		...	Petitioner
	Versus		
The State of Jharkhand			
		...	Opposite Party

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioner : Mr. Bhaiya V. Kumar, Advocate.
For the State : Mr. Azeemuddin, A.P.P.

03/ 10.06.2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned A.P.P for the State.

2. The petitioner is apprehending his arrest in connection with Saraiyahat P.S. Case No. 27 of 2025, registered for the offence under Sections 115(2), 351(2), 351(3), 85, 140(3) and 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 3/4 of Dowry Prohibition Act, pending in the court of learned Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Dumka.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that petitioner happened to be a student and aged about 16 years only. He next submits that the entire family members have been made accused and the case has been registered under Section 85 and other Sections of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 3/4 of Dowry Prohibition Act. He further submits that only on the suspicion, the petitioner being the brother-in-law has been implicated in this case. He also submits that although the petitioner is juvenile, however, the prayer for

anticipatory bail is maintainable, in view of the order passed by this court in A.B.A. No. 1414 of 2026. On these grounds, he submits that anticipatory bail may kindly be provided to the petitioner.

4. Learned A.P.P. appearing for the State has opposed the prayer and submits that the petitioner happened to be the brother-in-law of the deceased.

5. Considering that the petitioner is only aged about 16 years and is a student and it has been pointed out that on the alleged date of occurrence, he was pursuing his study in a hostel at Saraiyahat, which is 10 Kms. away from his native village, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, above named.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner, named above, is directed to surrender before the learned court within three weeks from today and in the event of his surrender / arrest, the petitioner shall be released on bail, on furnishing bail bonds of Rs. 25,000/- (twenty five thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each, to the satisfaction of learned Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Dumka, in connection with Saraiyahat P.S. Case No. 27 of 2025, subject to conditions as laid down under Section 482 (2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

Dated:-10.06.2026
Amitesh/-