

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI

A.B.A. No. 3884 of 2026

1.Altamas Rizvi, aged about 37 years, son of Riyajuddin Ansari, resident of Village Alargo, PO and PS Nawadih, Dist. Bokaro, Jharkhand

2.Aghnu Marandi, aged about 36 years, son of Babu Lal Marandi, resident of Village Tandbalidih, PO and PS Jaridih, District Bokaro, Jharkhand Petitioners

-- Versus --

The State of Jharkhand Opposite Party

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioners :- Mr. Shubhneet Jha , Advocate
For the State :- Mr. Prabir Kumar Chatterjee, Advocate

2/18.07.2026 Heard learned counsels for petitioners and for State.

2. The petitioners are apprehending their arrest in connection with Balidih PS Case No.72 of 2026, for offence registered under section 303(2), 317(2) read with Section 3(5) of the BNS, 2023, and Section 21 of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, Rules 54 of Jharkhand Minor Mineral Concession Rules and Rule 13 of Jharkhand Minerals (Prevention of Illegal Mining, Transportation and Storage) Rules, 2017, pending in court of learned S.D.J.M., Bokaro.

3. Learned counsel for petitioners submits that the petitioners are owner cum drivers of different tractors and the allegations are made of carrying 100 cft sand each on the said tractors. He next submits that the petitioners are earning their livelihood by way of driving the said tractors and the sand in question was booked by

another person. He next submits that the petitioners have got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in paragraph no.10 of the petition.

4. Learned State counsel opposes prayer and submits that allegations are there of illegally carrying the said sand.

5. Considering that petitioners are owner cum drivers of different tractors and the petitioners are earning their livelihood by way of driving the said tractors and the sand in question was booked by another person and the petitioners have got no criminal antecedent as disclosed in paragraph no.10 of the petition, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to petitioners.

6. Accordingly, both the petitioners, above named, are hereby directed to surrender before learned court within three weeks from today, and in event of his surrender/arrest, petitioner, above named, shall be released on bail, on furnishing bail bond of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand), with two sureties of like amount each, to satisfaction of learned S.D.J.M., Bokaro, in connection with Balidih PS Case No.72 of 2026, subject to the conditions as laid down under section 482(2) of Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

18.07.2026
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