

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

B.A. No. 7607 of 2026

Dhirendra Singh, aged about 42 years, Son of Ramlesh Singh @ Rajneesh Kumar Singh, resident of village Shankar Bigha Guraru, P.O. & P.S. Konch, District Gaya (Bihar) **Petitioner**

Versus

The State of Jharkhand **Opp. Party**

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANUBHA RAWAT CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner	: Mr. Pratap Shankar, Advocate
	Mr. Bhaskar Trivedi, Advocate
For the Opp. Party	: Mr. Pankaj Kumar, Advocate

08/9th September 2026

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody in connection with C.I.D. P.S. Case No. 05/2026 for the offence registered under Sections 316(2)(5), 318(4), 338, 336(3), 340(2), 61(2), 3(5) of BNS and Section 66 r/w 43(a) (b) (d) (g) (h) (i) (j) and Section 66(C) (D) of IT Act, now said to have been pending in the court of learned Special Judge, CID/ATS, Ranchi.

2. *Learned counsel for the petitioner submits* that the present case arises out of the defalcation of government money from the District Treasury, Hazaribagh. Initially, the amount of defalcation was alleged to be Rs. 15.41 crores and odd, but subsequently, the amount was found to be around Rs. 28 crores. So far as the petitioner is concerned, he was working as a Receipt and Dispatch Clerk in the office and the prime accused is Shambhu Choudhary, who has taken the name of the petitioner. However, during the course of hearing, it transpired that the petitioner is also a named accused in the FIR itself.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has throughout cooperated with the investigation and is in custody since 09.04.2026 having no criminal antecedent. The charge-sheet has already been submitted on 03.07.2026, but the trial is yet to

commence and there is no likelihood of its conclusion in the near future. There is no recovery from the petitioner or from his bank account, however, one mobile phone has been recovered and therefore the petitioner may be enlarged on bail.

4. *Learned counsel for the State*, while opposing the prayer for bail, submits that the petitioner, along with the co-accused, has defalcated huge amount of government money. During investigation, it has come to light that part of such defalcated money has been found in the bank accounts of the close relatives and friends of the petitioner. As per the charge-sheet, investigation against the other co-accused is still going on and further investigation is also going on with respect to other points involved in the case. It is submitted that if the petitioner is released on bail, there is a likelihood that he may tamper with the ongoing investigation.

The bail applications of the co-accused, namely, Kajal Kumari and Khushboo Singh, have been rejected by this Court in B.A. No. 7253 of 2026 and B.A. No. 7197 of 2026, both on 10.08.2026, respectively.

5. *After hearing the learned counsel for the parties* and considering the seriousness of the allegations made against the petitioner regarding the defalcation of huge amount of government money in conspiracy with the co-accused and part of such defalcated money has been found credited in the bank accounts of the relatives and friends of the petitioner and also the fact that further investigation is still going on and there is a likelihood that the petitioner may tamper with the investigation or the witnesses to be examined during further investigation, this Court is not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail. Hence, this bail application is hereby ***rejected***.

6. Let a copy of this order be communicated to the court concerned through 'e-mail/FAX'.

(Anubha Rawat Choudhary, J.)

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