

B.A. No. 2107 of 2026

Samuel Murmu		...	...	Petitioner
	Versus			
State of Jharkhand	...	...		Opposite Party

CORAM :HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANUBHA RAWAT CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Saurav Mahto, Advocate
For the Opp. Party : Mr. P.D. Agrawal, Spl. P.P.

09/15.04.2026 Heard the learned counsels appearing on behalf of the parties.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 13.01.2023 in connection with Dumka (M) P.S. Case No. 06 of 2023 corresponding to Special POCSO Case No. 19 of 2023, registered under Section 376(3) of the Indian Penal Code and sections 4, 8 and 12 of POCSO Act, now pending in the court of learned Special Judge, POCSO Act, Dumka.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case. He submits that the petitioner is of advanced age i.e., of 72 years and the victim is a minor aged below 16 years as her date of birth is 14.06.2010.
4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has further submitted that there is enormous delay in filing the First Information Report.
5. Learned counsel for the opposite party- State, on the other hand, has opposed the prayer and has submitted that there is direct allegation against the petitioner. He submits that the impugned order is dated 15.04.2025 which indicates that the trial was at advanced stage.
6. After hearing the learned counsel for the parties and considering the fact that the trial is in advanced stage, this Court is not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail and hence, this bail application is rejected.
7. However, the State is directed to ensure that the remaining witnesses are promptly produced before the learned trial court.
8. Learned counsel for the State is directed to communicate this

order to the Director, Prosecution and also to the Superintendent of Police of the concerned district to ensure compliance.

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

(Anubha Rawat Choudhary, J.)

Date of Order:15.04.2026

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